

Mansfield Wildlife Rescue

Mansfield Wildlife Rescue - Registered Charity Number 1186301

Report of the Trustees for year period 12th November 2019 to 31st March 2021.

Aims of the Charity

As stated in our governing document, Mansfield Wildlife Rescue is a charity based in Mansfield Woodhouse that provides help for injured, abandoned and orphaned **native wildlife** with the aim to return those in care back to their natural habitat. Some examples of the wildlife we look after are badgers, foxes, hedgehogs, birds of prey, swallows etc. The areas we cover are Nottinghamshire, Derbyshire, South Yorkshire and Lincolnshire. We receive many admissions from members of the public, veterinary services, RSPCA and other wildlife charities.

We aim to provide education in the understanding and welfare of wildlife. To demonstrate how we care for wildlife in order that these skills can be passed on by working with members of the public, schools, colleges and other groups etc. **Note* Skills " Passed on are at the basic end and are not on areas that could pose risk to either the animal or person caring, particularly children..*

We also aim to move to a new site by the end of 2021 with more space in order for us to offer a wider range of wildlife care such as for larger animals (**refer to types of Wildlife under Activities**) , improved education, and larger volunteer services etc.

Activities

- **Wildlife admission, care and release** - Wildlife admissions, due to COVID 19 and lock downs, have greatly decreased this year. Admissions for 2020 were 471 compared with 632 for 2019, a drop of around 25%. We have had a huge number of hedgehog admissions due to the very bad weather, and a great range of native and migratory birds. 88% of the admissions have been treated/fed and released. *(Note these figures are of March 2019 year ending and March 2020 year ending).*
- **Types of Wildlife-** Mansfield Wildlife Rescue cares for all types of native UK wildlife and the very occasional exotics such as parrots. Some examples of the wildlife we look after are badgers, foxes, hedgehogs, birds of prey, swallows etc. Domesticated animals such as

cats and dogs are not admitted but members of the public are helped and advised as to the best place for their care. Additionally farm animals such as horses, cows, pigs etc are not cared for and members of the public are also advised and referred to the best areas for their care.

- **Fund raising** - As for all charities, in these difficult COVID 19 times, it has been more difficult accepting wildlife from members of the public and also it has been difficult to raise funds, as one of our normal fundraising activities is at group wildlife events, which were no longer possible. We have a range of fund raising activities such as regular donations, lottery, raffles etc. However, in recent months, we have moved to more on-line fund raising activities, for example, appeals. We have received great support from donations from many members the public, local councillors and our local community for which we are grateful.
- **Council Grant** - We are grateful to Mansfield District Council who have provided us with a start-up grant to help with the move and opening of the new site.
- **New Site** - Much of the trustees time has been spent working with Mansfield District Council to expedite the move to the new site, hopefully by Winter 2021. This move is driven by the huge demand for wildlife care and the ability to expand to offer a wider range of services as stated in our aims. Wildlife admissions grew by more than 227% over the past 4 years (figures are as of March 2020).
- We are grateful to the council and in particular to the local Mayor Andy Abrahams, for allowing us the opportunity to apply for the site.
- **Gift Aid** - Mansfield Wildlife Rescue applied for Gift Aid in September 2020. This was granted on 24/9/20.

How we have spent this years money- As in our statement of accounts for April 2020 to March 2021 which stands at year end £5,271.20 , all our costs centre around care and treatment of wildlife, for example medical equipment, food and bedding, vets bills etc. However this year costs include charges relating to the move to the new site which include architects bills for our council planning application, and also for a structural survey and solicitor fees.

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Manstfield Wildlife Rescue Accounts

1st April 2020 – 31st March 2021

Income

Carried Forward £1,249.89
 Donations & Fundraising £8,124.05

Total Income £9,373.94

Outgoing

Vets £454.07

Feed & Bedding £1,940.68

Bank Charges £82.50

Waste Disposal £245.05

Cleaning £97.44

Telephone £40.00

Repairs & Maintenance £300.00

Printing, Postage & Stationary £87.89

Vehicle Maintenance £25.00

Misc Medical/Equipment £430.11

Architect £400.00

Total Outgoing £4,102.74

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Total £5,271.20