



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 01	Month 01	Year 2021		Day 31	Month 12	Year 2021

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name HART Wildlife Rescue

Other names charity is known by HART Wildlife Rescue

Registered charity number (if any) 1066760

Charity's principal address Unit 9, Lower Soldridge Business Park, Soldridge Road
Medstead, Nr Alton, Hampshire

Postcode GU34 5JF

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Peter Mart	Chairman		
2	Karen Margesson			
3	Anne Blacklock			
4	Eleanor Marsden		Resigned in 2022	
5	Chloë-Jade Hill		Joined as trustee in 2022	
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Declaration of Trust
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Association
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Elected by existing trustees

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Any potential new Trustees are advised to read up on the responsibilities of being a Trustee before they accept the position, starting with "The Essential Trustee".

HART is managed through a cascade of committees; the Trustees govern from the top, setting standards and guidelines, passing some specifically defined authority down to the Management Committee, which meets approximately every 6 weeks to make joint decisions about matters affecting the day-to-day running of the hospital and shops. The information about both the hospital and shops from the Management Committee meeting is then passed down to relevant staff and volunteers either through staff meetings, noticeboards or by word of mouth. This ensures all involved with HART are aware of decisions being made that affect them and allows an opportunity to pass any feedback up through the committees. The shop and hospital managers are both members of the Management Committee. An annual meeting is held with all staff and key volunteers to discuss the last year and make plans for the future.

Trustees are always mindful of managing and mitigating risks to avoid endangering staff, volunteers and the public who come into contact with HART. A full suite of risk assessments is reviewed regularly for both the hospital and shops sites, and new activities assessed as they arise. Trustees also must ensure that adequate funds are held in reserve to deal with any emergencies arising. Guidance and advice are sought from professionals and other bodies where necessary, e.g. HR matters, and as the need occurs to ensure HART always operates within the law and supports its staff and volunteers as much as possible.

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The relief of suffering amongst wildlife in need of care and attention and, in particular, by the provision of a rescue and rehabilitation service for abandoned, neglected or injured wildlife and the advancement of public education in the needs and care of British wildlife.

In 2021 HART admitted 3,607 wildlife casualties, an increase of 374 on the number of admissions in 2020. Bird admissions numbered 2,511, mammals 1,084 (of which 749 were hedgehogs), reptiles and amphibians 12. Without HART, at times working in conjunction with the RSPCA and vets, these animals would have suffered a slow death, or had to be transferred great distances to receive care.

In addition to receiving animal admissions, the hospital again responded to numerous phone calls, hundreds of email enquiries and social media requests asking for advice and information. With the prevailing threats imposed by the mutating Covid-19 virus, social media and the internet generally have remained an invaluable way of communicating with the public and supporters as we seek to minimise risks that could affect the work we do.

During the year HART has had approximately 50 volunteers on its database who commit to a regular shift at the hospital.

HART is usually a valuable resource for local educational facilities, giving work experience placements to students on animal related courses, as well as volunteering opportunities to younger people undertaking the Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme. Due to Covid-19 risks still being prevalent it was not possible to continue with these activities in 2021.

Throughout the year, Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant. This includes when making decisions and planning the activities of the Charity.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

HART has always depended on voluntary help to run; without our volunteers we wouldn't be able to care for the large number of casualties we take in.

HART acknowledges its duty of care to those under 18 and vulnerable adults (Vulnerable People). HART therefore works to safeguard and promote the welfare of Vulnerable People and is committed to ensuring its safeguarding practice reflects statutory responsibilities, government guidance and complies with best practice and HART's requirements. HART has both safeguarding and privacy policies in place.

HART also has some volunteer drivers who can be called on to provide invaluable support with transporting animals to and from the vets, enabling staff more time to focus on animals within the hospital environment.

At the start of 2021 the hospital had 3 full-time and 3 part-time members of staff (who between them worked 6 days a week), at the end of the year there were 3 full-time and the part-time days had increased to 8 days a week although now shared by 2 members of staff.

With such a low number of salaried staff, volunteers remain crucial to us being able to continue our work.

In 2021, like other non-essential shops, our charity shop had to close for the first three and a half months of the year due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Initially, upon reopening, we had to limit the number of days that we were open, however, we were fortunate to be able to recruit volunteers so that the shop was open for at least 5 days a week. By the middle of the year we had a stable number of staff and volunteers which enabled the shop to be open as normal.

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

In 2021, despite the continuing challenges posed by Covid-19, the hospital has once again remained open throughout the year and has been available for emergencies 24 hours per day. The number of admissions increased again so that by year end we had well over 3,500 patients for treatment, beating last year's total and setting a new record for admissions.

In addition to the 749 hedgehogs, some other species and numbers of note admitted to the hospital in 2021 included 95 birds of prey (including 37 tawny owls, 3 little owls, 8 barn owls, 20 buzzards, 10 kestrels and 14 sparrowhawks); 51 bats (pipistrelles, whiskered, brown long eared, natterer's and serotine); 12 reptiles (including 2 grass snakes, an adder, and 2 slow worms); 7 badgers; 210 mallard ducks (many of which were ducklings); 31 house martins, 2 oystercatchers and a skylark. A number of these species are on the red list of threatened species.

During 2021, Paul Reynolds, the Hospital Manager, was accepted to join as an associate member to the British Wildlife Rehabilitation Council. This has meant he can engage at a national level in conversations or issues affecting our sector.

In 2021 HART also commenced its involvement with the Darwin Tree of Life project, as well as helping the Born Free Foundation by sharing a supply of crates with the Foundation that were donated to HART by Heathrow airport.

2021 was also the year in which we were able to build and open our new 'Hogspital' space - our external hedgehog shed (though also used for other patients when we have fewer hogs on site). This was possible thanks to a generous legacy.

In May 2021, we were happy to welcome Dr Sophie Lund Rasmussen (aka "Dr Hedgehog") as a new Patron of HART.

We continue to share our work with the public via regular eNewsletters, our website and on social media, featuring information on our patients as well as wildlife advice on our social media updates. Additionally, all members of staff at the hospital are linked in with other specialised wildlife Facebook forums, through which we can share our experiences and give less knowledgeable rehabilitators support and advice.

In 2021, despite being closed for the first quarter, our shop in Alton achieved gross revenue of just under £42,000. This was 36% higher than the previous year which was severely impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic.

Our shop is located in the middle of a large car park which means we receive a lot of donations, many are of no use to us whatsoever and go straight to the dustbin or for recycling, but others are of a high quality and we can try and sell them for a good profit when conditions allow. We use a recycling company for unwanted clothes, rags and books, eBay and other on-line sites when we think we can generate a higher sale price and constantly look for options to maximise the revenue from every item we receive. Whilst there are other charity shops nearby, we are still regularly complimented on the quality of our shop and its stock, and we believe we are still one of the highest earning charity shops in the town. We have a Facebook account to raise our profile and highlight some of the interesting items we have for sale.

It is always a priority to make the books balance and so as charitable incomes fall in the current economic climate, our focus on costs control has been maintained in all areas. Cost reductions were again achieved by using an Amazon Wish List via which members of the public can donate much needed items to the hospital, significant donations of animal food made via local supermarkets, bedding and towels donated by a local homeware store, as well as a constant vigilance on containing expenditure.

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

At the start of the year we held in reserve just over £145,000 in savings which by the end of 2021 had increased to £165,000. The Trustees unanimously agreed to designate £100,000 towards future capital projects to help safeguard the future of the charity. It was also agreed to increase the money set aside for any costs which we may incur in the event that the charity has to be wound up to be sufficient to cover three month's running costs, currently circa £45,000, which is now reflected in our reserves policy.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Total income for the year was £213,393 with expenditure of £188,085 which led to a surplus of £25,308.

The charity shop continues to be a major source of income but was again shut from the beginning of the year until mid-April due to Covid-19 which again severely affected the revenue from this source.

During the year, HART did not engage the services of any paid professional fundraisers or fundraising services and received no complaints about its fundraising. When soliciting donations, the charity is always mindful to protect the rights and privacy of donors by soliciting funds in a fair, honest and transparent manner. HART does not solicit funds from anyone it deems to be a vulnerable individual

The majority of the expenditure is made in areas directly related to the key objectives – principally with running costs for the hospital and staff wages (including pension contributions). The most significant costs outside of these are related to running the shop, such as rent, utilities and staff salaries. In normal years these costs are largely covered by the income the shop generates, and the shop also acts as a valuable way to interact with the public. However, the impact of the UK lockdown on HART was instantaneous and severe. In 2021 the closure of the charity shop lost us income of circa £7,000 per month.



Despite this HART utilised the internet, social media, newsletters and eBulletins to maximise fund-raising opportunities which has allowed us to take in and treat as many animals as possible and continue to improve our facilities and equipment.

In 2021 HART was fortunate to receive a few small legacies totalling just over £16,000 which have greatly helped to sustain operations during another difficult year.

Section F**Other optional information****Section G****Declaration**

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	PETER MALT	ANNE MARY BLACKLOCK
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	TRUSTEE
Date	10 SEPTEMBER 2022.	

**Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2021
for
HART WILDLIFE RESCUE**

B20 Limited
Chartered Certified Accountants
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HART WILDLIFE RESCUE

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1066760

Principal address

Unit 9 Lower Soldridge Business Park
Medstead
Alton
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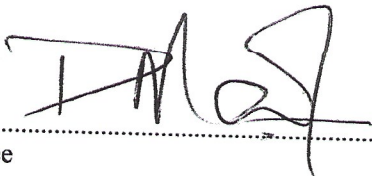
Trustees

P J Mart
E Marsden (resigned 11.6.22)
K Margesson
C Hill (appointed 11.6.22)
A Blacklock

Independent Examiner

Mrs Caroline Scull FCCA
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 30 July 2022 and signed on its behalf by:



Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
HART Wildlife Rescue**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of HART Wildlife Rescue

I report to the charity trustees of the Trust on my examination of the accounts of HART Wildlife Rescue (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Date:4/3/2022.....

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

	Notes	31.12.21 Unrestricted funds £	31.12.20 Unrestricted funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies		170,546	225,611
Other trading activities	2	42,570	32,327
Investment income	3	<u>277</u>	<u>367</u>
Total		213,393	258,305
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds		11,438	8,194
Charitable activities			
Wildlife Rescue Hospital		176,423	198,461
Other		<u>224</u>	<u>238</u>
Total		188,085	206,893
NET INCOME		<u>25,308</u>	<u>51,412</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		176,767	125,355
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>202,075</u>	<u>176,767</u>

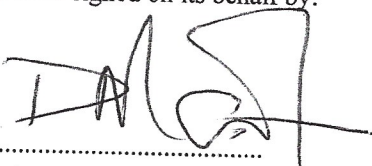
The notes form part of these financial statements

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Balance Sheet 31 December 2021

	Notes	31.12.21 Unrestricted funds £	31.12.20 Unrestricted funds £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank and in hand		204,609	185,537
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	6	(2,534)	(8,770)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>202,075</u>	<u>176,767</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		202,075	176,767
NET ASSETS		<u>202,075</u>	<u>176,767</u>
FUNDS			
Unrestricted funds	7	<u>202,075</u>	<u>176,767</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>202,075</u>	<u>176,767</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 30 JULY 2022 and were signed on its behalf by:


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Trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charity's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.12.21	31.12.20
	£	£
Shop income	<u>42,570</u>	<u>32,327</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.12.21	31.12.20
	£	£
Deposit account interest	<u>277</u>	<u>367</u>

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2021 nor for the year ended 31 December 2020.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2021 nor for the year ended 31 December 2020.

5. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.12.21	31.12.20
	£	£
Trade creditors	722	4,028
Taxation and social security	1,812	177
Other creditors	<u>-</u>	<u>4,565</u>
	<u>2,534</u>	<u>8,770</u>

6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.1.21 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.12.21 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	176,767	25,308	(100,000)	102,075
Hospital Building Fund	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>100,000</u>
	<u>176,767</u>	<u>25,308</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>202,075</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>176,767</u>	<u>25,308</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>202,075</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	213,393	(188,085)	25,308
	<u>213,393</u>	<u>(188,085)</u>	<u>25,308</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>213,393</u>	<u>(188,085)</u>	<u>25,308</u>

7. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2021.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

	31.12.21 £	31.12.20 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	99,332	91,091
Legacies	16,236	58,726
Grants	40,037	63,688
Subscriptions	<u>14,941</u>	<u>12,106</u>
	170,546	225,611
Other trading activities		
Shop income	42,570	32,327
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	<u>277</u>	<u>367</u>
Total incoming resources	213,393	258,305
EXPENDITURE		
Raising donations and legacies		
Shop rent	6,905	6,900
Other trading activities		
Purchases for resale	4,533	1,294
Charitable activities		
Wages	101,046	104,890
Social security	2,936	2,460
Pensions	2,285	2,560
Hospital rent	6,849	6,849
Utilities	7,354	5,301
Insurance	2,793	2,395
Purchases for hospital	16,718	24,643
Property expenses	22,708	42,633
Office expenses	3,645	2,810
Website and eTapestry	5,453	-
Sundries	1,606	632
Motor expenses	2,166	2,267
Bank charges	<u>864</u>	<u>1,021</u>
	176,423	198,461
Support costs		
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	<u>224</u>	<u>238</u>
Total resources expended	<u>188,085</u>	<u>206,893</u>
Net income	<u><u>25,308</u></u>	<u><u>51,412</u></u>