



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 01	Month 10	Year 2017		Day 30	Month 09	Year 2018

Charity name NATURAL BEEKEEPING TRUST

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1140009

Charity's principal address

Ashwood

School Lane

Forest Row

Postcode

RH18 5EB

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	Caroline Hopton Foulks			n/a
2	Heidi Herrmann			n/a
3	Jonathan Powel			n/a

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)

n/a

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	TRUST DEED
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	TRUST
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Trustees appointed by meeting

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.

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

The Natural Beekeeping Trust was established in 2009 in order to be of assistance to anyone seeking advice and tuition in bee-friendly practice and to demonstrate sustainable bee husbandry in the context of organic/biodynamic horticulture.

Since its foundation the Trust has become a leading force in encouraging bee guardianship: methods of beekeeping which focus on the intrinsic needs of the honeybee.

The Trust aims to inform about apicentric beekeeping methods with a view to contributing to the proliferation of methods of beekeeping that are orientated by the species-specific needs of the honeybee.

To further this aim and encourage an attitude of "bee guardianship" trustees engage in teaching, lecturing and writing about subjects related to the above objectives, as well as engaging specialist tutors when needed.

Report for the period 1 October 2017 to 30 September 2018

General

Furthering awareness of bee-centred beekeeping including, but not limited to, the “Sun Hive” Project (a project to create awareness of the needs of the bee through the iconic Sun Hive). Advocating styles of husbandry that allow the principles of natural selection be effective in colony life. Furthering tree beekeeping. Advocating beekeeping husbandry supported by good science.

Hive Building Workshops and Practical Tutoring

The Trust continued to offer Sun Hive making workshops. The Sun Hive demonstrates the form of the bee colony in a manner that readily appeals to a large number of people and furthers the objectives of the Trust in demonstrating bee-centred beekeeping.

Honeybee Rewilding Projects

The Trust has designed a honeybee re-wilding project at the request of a major landowner in Spain. This is a long term project, requiring frequent visits and continuous monitoring. Small-scale projects of this nature have been started informally in various places in Britain. The Trust has lent support to various of such projects that promise to support and further the conservation of the honeybee.

Another honeybee rewilding and conservation project, initiated at a large scale organic farm in Somerset UK has been featured by mainstream media and continues to host international experts working in honeybee conservation.

Lecturing

Trustees gave talks at events and conferences relating to beekeeping, horticulture and agriculture. Requests to address “conventional” beekeeping communities around the country continue. Trustees and volunteers of the Trust also participated in specialist fairs and public events to draw attention to and advocate bee-centric approaches to the honeybee.

Networking

The Trust maintains its connections with other natural beekeeping initiatives, scientists and other individuals to further the objectives of sustainable beekeeping and honeybee conservation. Trustees continue working in alliance with major UK environmental groups to further the interests of pollinators in general. The Trust is well represented on social media and actively promotes its message through this medium.

Writing, Research and Media Coverage

Trustees continue to write on a range of bee conservation related topics specialist magazines and to contribute material for generalist publications. Trustees also continue to cooperate with university researchers and students investigating bee health and related questions, often in the form of extended interviews. Various domestic and international media channels continue to publicise the approach of the Trust to bees.

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)

Trustees are actively involved in a new publication devoted to natural bee husbandry published by Northern Bee Books; the Trust has published several titles in conjunction with Temple Lodge Press.

Visits/Information Sharing/Funding other initiatives/Learning from the Bees

Trustees host visits by individuals and organisations whenever possible to raise consciousness of the need to safeguard the honeybee and have participated in teaching and hive-making projects hosted by local schools. The Trust continues to support bee-centred initiatives, projects and documentary films across Europe.

In 2018 the Trust initiated a new advocacy with international reach under the title “Learning from the Bees”, marking this with an international conference in The Netherlands that attracted over 300 delegates from more than 35 countries around the world. This initiative is now carried by a larger group of supporters organising events and conferences on the theme.

Staff

The Trust has no staff. All the work is carried out by its trustees

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

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

Please refer to Section C above.

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Trust does not currently hold any investments; its reserves are held in bank current accounts to fund the Trust's various activities.

There are no fund deficits.

The Trust's principal sources of funds are recurring and one-off donations, fees from teaching, workshops and public speaking, sales of bee-centred beekeeping books and sales of sun hive kits.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

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.

Section F Other optional information

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

Jonathan Powell

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Treasurer

Date

23rd July 2019



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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01/10/2017

To

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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	16,407	-	-	16,407	-
Project Income	92,371	-	-	92,371	-
Sale of books, hive kits, etc	2,868	-	-	2,868	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	111,646	-	-	111,646	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	111,646	-	-	111,646	-
A3 Payments					
Administration Expenditure	3,680	-	-	3,680	-
Donations made	2,640	-	-	2,640	-
Project Expenditure	25,844	-	-	25,844	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	32,164	-	-	32,164	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	32,164	-	-	32,164	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	79,482	-	-	79,482	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	90,201	-	-	90,201	-
Cash funds this year end	169,683	-	-	169,683	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Held at Bank	90,201	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	90,201	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	90,201	-	-
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
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