# Report of the Trustees and Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2012

for

**Beckford Nature Reserve** 

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### Beckford Nature Reserve Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2012

The Trustees, who are also directors for the purposes of company law, present their report with the unaudited financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 March 2012.

### REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

**Registered charity name**Beckford Nature Reserve

Charity registration number 1119366

Company registration number 06228042

**Registered and principal office**Beckford Stores and Post Office

Main Street Beckford GL20 7AD

TRUSTEES

The trustees shown below have held office during the period.

Mrs J Berriman Mrs C Brown Mrs D Colvin Mr G Stringer Mr M McCauley

Secretary Mrs D Colvin

### STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Beckford Nature Reserve is a company limited by guarantee governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 28<sup>th</sup> April 2007. It is registered as a charity with The Charity Commission for England and Wales.

The Board of Trustees, which can have up to 5 members, administers the charity. As set out in the Articles of Association the Board of Trustees may appoint any person that they consider suitable to be a Trustee. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £10.

### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

The objects of the company are:

- 1) To promote the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment of the disused quarry pit known as Beckford Nature Reserve situated in the north of Beckford in the county of Worcestershire which incorporates the Beckford Gravel Pit Site of Special Scientific Interest; and
- 2) Insofar as it is incidental or ancillary to the conservation, protection and improvement of the above quarry pit and the surrounding area, such purposes for the benefit of the local community as shall be exclusively charitable.

The general aim of the charity is to maintain the Nature Reserve as a conservation area for use by the public and local residents. The main objectives continue to be the promotion of the nature reserve with the aim of raising money so that it can continue with the conservation and improvement of the area.

The Trustees confirm that they have had regard to guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning activities.

### ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

No major work has been undertaken this year. We continue to cut the grass on the north side and this encourages wild flowers and greater biodiversity. Many native Daffodil and Anenome bulbs have been planted and hedge planting continues on the north boundary. Owl and bat boxes have been installed and we have had a visit from Worcestershire Wildlife trust who are pleased with the progress we have made.

### FINANCIAL REVIEW

Income reduced this year by £884 to £3226 due to lower donations. However as no major work needed to be funded a surplus of £960 was earned for the year.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (issued in March 2005 and the special provisions in part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

Signed on behalf of the charities trustees	
J Grice Trustee	

### **Independent Examiners Report to the Members of Beckford Nature Reserve**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2012 set out on pages 1 to 5.

### Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees (who are also directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act: and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement	
<ul> <li>In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention: <ol> <li>which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:</li> <li>to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and</li> <li>to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Report by Charities have not been met; or</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	
(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.	
M Sanger-Davies Independent examiner	

# **Income and Expenditure Account** for the Year Ended 31 March 2012

2011 £		2012 £
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	INCOME	
2331	Donations	1151
957	200 Club	990
225	Functions	360
587	Cards & Calendars	709
10	Interest	16
4110		3226
	EXPENDITURE	
454	Insurance	665
349	Accountancy	-
1987	Work on Land	310
208	Repairs & Maintenance	331
252	Leaflets	-
174	Sundry Expenses	80
1035	Depreciation	880
4459		2266
(348)	NET INCOME / (DEFICIT)	960

### Balance Sheet 31 March 2012

2011				2012	
£	£		Notes	£	£
(5960		FIXED ASSETS	2		C4000
65869		Tangible assets	2		64989
		CURRENT ASSETS			
	520	Prepayments		684	
	9871	Cash at bank		11296	
	10201			11000	
	10391	CREDITORS		11980	
	1488	Accruals		1237	
8903		NET CURRENT ASSETS			10743
		TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT			
74772		LIABILITIES			75732
75121		FUNDS Unpostricted income funds brought forward			74772
(349)		Unrestricted income funds brought forward Income and Expenditure account			960
74772		Unrestricted income funds carried forward			75732

The trustees are satisfied that the company is entitled to exemption from the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 (the Act) relating to the audit of the financial statements for the year by virtue of section 477(2), and that no members have requested an audit pursuant to section 476(1) of the Act.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- (a) ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Act, and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its profit or loss for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of Section 393, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Act relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

The financial statements were approved and signed by a member of the committee on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2012.

J Grice Trustee

## Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2012

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### **Accounting convention**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards, the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued in March 2005 (SORP 2005) and the Companies Act 2006.

### Income

All income is included when received or receivable.

### Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Equipment

- 15% on reducing balance

### 2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Totals £		Equipment £
COST At 1 April 2011 Additions	67575	60000	7575 
At 31 March 2012	67575	60000	<u>7575</u>
<b>DEPRECIATION</b> At 1 April 2011 Charge for year	1706 880	<u>-</u>	1706 880
At 31 March 2012	2586		2586
NET BOOK VALUE At 31 March 2012	64989	60000	4989
At 31 March 2011	65869	60000	5869

### **Beckford Nature Reserve Limited**

# Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 March 2012

5.	DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	2012 £	2011 £
	Accrued income Prepayments	684	520
		684	520
6.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	2012 £	2011 £
	Accruals	1237	1488
		1237	1488