

ESSEX WILDLIFE TRUST LIMITED

Company limited by guarantee

**Company Registration Number:
00638666 (England and Wales)**

Unaudited statutory accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022

Period of accounts

Start date: 1 January 2022

End date: 31 December 2022

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Directors' report period ended 31 December 2022

The directors present their report with the financial statements of the company for the period ended 31 December 2022

Principal activities of the company

For the benefit of the public, to advance, promote and further the conservation, maintenance and protection of: The objectives of the charity are:- Wildlife and its habitats.- Places of natural beauty.- Places of zoological, botanical, geographical, historical, archaeological or scientific interest.- Features of landscape with geological, physiographical or amenity value in any ways that are charitable in law and in particular, but not exclusively, in ways that further biodiversity. To advance the education of the public in:- The principles and practice of sustainable development.- The principles and practice of biodiversity conservation.

Directors

The directors shown below have held office during the whole of the period from
1 January 2022 to 31 December 2022

Sarah Balser
James Wren
Catherine Hawkins
Elin Simonsson
Naomi Kingston
Robert Holmes
Michelle Wall
Malcolm Hardy
Charles Joynson
Keeley Hazelhurst
Geoffrey Duffield
Prof Thoko Kaime

The above report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions in part 15 of the Companies Act 2006

This report was approved by the board of directors on
10 August 2023

And signed on behalf of the board by:

Name: Keeley Hazelhurst

Status: Director

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Balance sheet

As at 31 December 2022

	<i>Notes</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>2021</i>
		<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Fixed assets			
Intangible assets:	3	1,177	3,743
Tangible assets:	4	15,251,520	15,342,678
Investments:	5	12,110,189	14,571,979
Total fixed assets:		<u>27,362,886</u>	<u>29,918,400</u>
Current assets			
Stocks:	6	412,848	262,218
Debtors:	7	2,002,498	1,844,438
Cash at bank and in hand:		531,933	788,456
Investments:	8	1,834,530	2,063,165
Total current assets:		<u>4,781,809</u>	<u>4,958,277</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year:	9	(977,982)	(488,100)
Net current assets (liabilities):		<u>3,803,827</u>	<u>4,470,177</u>
Total assets less current liabilities:		<u>31,166,713</u>	<u>34,388,577</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year:	10	(53,570)	(52,652)
Total net assets (liabilities):		<u>31,113,143</u>	<u>34,335,925</u>
Members' funds			
Profit and loss account:		31,113,143	34,335,925
Total members' funds:		<u>31,113,143</u>	<u>34,335,925</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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For the year ending 31 December 2022 the company was entitled to exemption under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared and delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The directors have chosen not to file a copy of the company's profit and loss account.

**This report was approved by the board of directors on 10 August 2023
and signed on behalf of the board by:**

Name: Keeley Hazelhurst
Status: Director

The notes form part of these financial statements

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Notes to the Financial Statements

for the Period Ended 31 December 2022

1. Accounting policies

Basis of measurement and preparation

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Financial Reporting Standard 101

Turnover policy

Income from investments, Gift Aid and deeds of covenant is included gross, and is accounted for when it is receivable or the charity's right to it becomes legally enforceable. Provision has been made for Income Tax reclaimable at the year-end but not yet received. Legacy income is included in the accounts when the amount due can be quantified with reasonable probability and it is probable that it will be received. Receipt is normally probable when there has been grant of probate, the estate has sufficient assets to pay the legacy and any conditions attached are either within the control of the charity or have been met. Grants receivable including government grants are accounted for when there is sufficient information to enable the claim to be made or the claim has been made and there is clear indication to suggest the claim will be met. Income from Donations is accounted for on a receipts basis. Membership income is taken to the Statement of Financial Activities over the life of the subscription, taking into account the type of membership involved.

Tangible fixed assets depreciation policy

Depreciation is not provided on freehold land which is considered to have a useful life of more than fifty years. Assets in the course of construction are not depreciated. Moveable assets over £1,000 are capitalised. Tangible fixed assets other than freehold land are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at the following rates in order to write off the cost of each asset over its estimated useful life.

Intangible fixed assets amortisation policy

Amortisation is provided at the following rates in order to write off the cost of each asset over its estimated useful life. Computer software 33.33% on cost p.a.

Valuation information and policy

Investments are stated at market value. It is the Trust's policy to keep valuations up to date such that when investments are sold, there is no gain or loss arising relating to the previous year. As a result, the SOFA includes those unrealised gains and losses arising from the revaluation of the investment portfolio at the year end. Disclosure is made in the notes to the accounts of the difference between historic cost and sale proceeds of investments sold during the year. Livestock is valued at the prevailing market value. Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

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2. Employees

	<i>2022</i>	<i>2021</i>
Average number of employees during the period	141	141

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3. Intangible assets

	Goodwill	Other	Total
Cost	£	£	£
At 1 January 2022		46,809	46,809
Additions			
Disposals		(22,386)	(22,386)
Revaluations		11,911	11,911
Transfers			
At 31 December 2022		36,334	36,334
Amortisation			
At 1 January 2022		43,066	43,066
Charge for year		6,025	6,025
On disposals		(22,386)	(22,386)
Other adjustments		8,452	8,452
At 31 December 2022		35,157	35,157
Net book value			
At 31 December 2022		1,177	1,177
At 31 December 2021		3,743	3,743

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4. Tangible assets

	Land & buildings	Plant & machinery	Fixtures & fittings	Office equipment	Motor vehicles	Total
Cost	£	£	£	£	£	£
At 1 January 2022	17,425,127	2,532,349		331,813		20,289,289
Additions	18,139	497,630		19,178		534,947
Disposals		(80,137)		(111,441)		(191,578)
Revaluations						
Transfers	409,131	493,945		96,725		11,911
At 31 December 2022	17,034,135	3,443,787		142,825		20,620,747
Depreciation						
At 1 January 2022	2,863,550	1,850,259		232,802		4,946,611
Charge for year	286,966	321,896		13,784		622,646
On disposals		(80,137)		(111,441)		(191,578)
Other adjustments	123,782	137,326		21,996		8,452
At 31 December 2022	3,026,734	2,229,344		113,149		5,369,227
Net book value						
At 31 December 2022	14,007,401	1,214,443		29,676		15,251,520
At 31 December 2021	14,561,577	682,090		99,011		15,342,678

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5. Fixed assets investments note

Nil

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6. Stocks

	<i>2022</i>	<i>2021</i>
	£	£
Stocks	412,848	262,218
Total	<u>412,848</u>	<u>262,218</u>

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7. Debtors

	<i>2022</i>	<i>2021</i>
	£	£
Trade debtors	2,002,498	1,844,438
Total	<u>2,002,498</u>	<u>1,844,438</u>

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8. Current assets investments note

Nil

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9. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year note

	<i>2022</i>	<i>2021</i>
	£	£
Other creditors	977,982	488,100
Total	<u>977,982</u>	<u>488,100</u>

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10. Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year note

	<i>2022</i>	<i>2021</i>
	£	£
Other creditors	53,570	52,652
Total	<u>53,570</u>	<u>52,652</u>

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