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NORTH WALES WILDLIFE TRUST

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES For the year ended 31 March 2019

Our vision is

A North Wales rich in Wildlife valued by All

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Constitution

North Wales Wildlife Trust is a registered charity (Charity No. 230772) and a company limited by guarantee and incorporated under the 1948 Companies Act (Company No. 773995).

Organisation

A Council of trustees of 12 members meet bi-monthly, to govern the Charity. There are subcommittees covering finance, conservation (east and west), marine, people and wildlife, and members' branches. The Trust Chief Executive Officer (Frances Cattnach) is appointed by the trustees with responsibility for operational management. The Trust has two trading subsidiaries. The activities of NWWT Trading Ltd (No. 2453752) and Enfys Ecology Ltd (No. 2535184) are highlighted on pages 20 & 21.

Structure, Governance and Management

The directors of the charitable company are its trustees for the purpose of charity law and throughout the report are collectively referred to as trustees. The governing body of the Trust is its Council. The Council is composed of all trustees who are volunteers and is authorised to appoint new members to fill vacancies arising through resignation or death of an existing member. The Articles of Association of the Trust govern the appointment of trustees, and are available on request. On appointment, trustees are provided with an induction pack, and are directed to the Charity Commission website. The Council agrees the Trust's annual budget and strategic plan, while the day-to-day management of the Trust is delegated to the Trust CEO, Frances Cattnach.

TRUSTEES OF THE NORTH WALES WILDLIFE TRUST STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the Trust and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, of the charitable group for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then reasonably apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements, and

- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Trust will continue to operate.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Trust and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006, the Statement of Recommended Practice for Charities and the charity's governing document. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Trust and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

In so far as the trustees are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditors are unaware, and
- the trustees have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information.

Fundraising Management

Adhering to the Charities (Protection and Social Investment) Act 2016, we conform to the Code of Fundraising Practice as detailed by the Fundraising Regulator. Amongst other things, this provides guidance to ensure vulnerable people and others are protected from unreasonable intrusion on their privacy, unreasonably persistent approaches or undue pressure to give. In order to assess the impact our fundraising has on the general public, aside from close staff management, we have a complaints policy in place, which enables us to log and analyse any complaints we might get.

Financial Reserves Policy and Risk Management

Sufficient unrestricted funds need to be held to cover ongoing expenses and potential cash flow problems arising from, amongst other things, grants being paid in arrears by slow payers. The trustees believe that the level of reserves required to maintain this liquidity should be 3 months budgeted expenditure which, for 2019/20 financial year, is £451,422. As at the end of 2018/19 the unrestricted reserves held in net current assets amounted to £407,766 and, whilst this is not a major shortfall, the situation needs to be managed tightly going forward. During the past couple of years, the Trust has been investing "surplus" unrestricted funds in securing future income streams such as refurbishing Penllyn farm (now let out on a long-term basis) and boosting membership recruitment. In the coming year continued close attention will be given to managing cash flow to ensure that, as far as possible, unrestricted reserves are not seriously depleted. The Trust's Risk Register, which covers financial and operational risk, is reviewed regularly and is now supported by an evolving Business Continuity Plan.

Investment Powers

The Trust has the power under the Articles of Association to invest all monies not immediately required for the furthering of the objects of the Trust in such a manner as may be deemed expedient, provided that monies subject to the jurisdiction of the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales shall only be invested in such securities and with such sanction as may for the time being be prescribed by law.

Related Parties

The charity is a member of the Wildlife Trusts (registered as the Royal Society of Wildlife Trusts, registered charity number 207238) and Wildlife Trusts Wales (registered charity number 1041567) which act as umbrella bodies carrying out representation at a UK & Wales level, public relations and joint projects on behalf of the Wildlife Trusts. Each member has the use of the Wildlife Trusts' logos and benefits from the resources, best practice and specialised experience of other member trusts. Membership gives the charity a UK and in particular a Welsh voice and profile, as well as respectability by association for those unfamiliar with its particular work. However, each member remains entirely independent.

Objectives and Activities for the Public Benefit

The trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Trust's aims and objectives and in planning future activities. Trust nature reserves are open to the public and information and educational resources are promoted at the range of shows and events we organise and attend. Volunteering opportunities and our events are open to all and a wide range of people get involved in response to our website and local promotion. The community and education projects support local people in creating wildlife-friendly green-space and better opportunities for wildlife throughout the region. Specific activities are designed to reach less traditional sectors, such as ethnic minorities, those recovering from illness, ex- and youth offenders, company staff and local residents, and the OPAL project to promote citizen-science will encourage all to understand their local environment. Our Wild Coast project involves young people from a variety of backgrounds. Members and the public are invited to our branch-organised activities, which include social and educational opportunities to build local groups of informed, vigilant and environmentally-aware citizens. Many events are designed to inspire people about the natural resource on their doorstep and encourage them to be involved. Our work with schools; on nature reserves, on the coast, on their land and in the classroom engages all sectors of society.

Our Vision for the future

A North Wales rich in Wildlife valued by All

Our Mission

To improve places for wildlife and connect people with wildlife

Recognising that we are uniquely positioned to

- Strengthen the relationship between local people and the natural environment of North Wales
- Promote the value of the natural environment to local people

Our Aim

To protect and create resilient ecosystems on land and in the sea

Strategic Themes

Our work will deliver on two strategic themes

1. Making Places Better for Wildlife

This theme includes our work on

- Creating Living Landscapes
- Securing Living Seas
- Managing our nature reserves
- Supporting the good management of undesignated wildlife sites

2. Connecting Wildlife and People

This theme includes our work on

- Improving understanding of wildlife and ecosystems
- Engaging and educating people of the value of their local wildlife.
- Demonstrating how the natural world works for both people and wildlife.
- Inspiring and empowering people to act for wildlife.

Review of Activities

Making Places Better for Wildlife

Creating Living Landscapes

Living Landscapes remained central to operations, ensuring that our work for wildlife is set in the context of the wider landscape. Working at a landscape scale, focusing on maintaining high quality wildlife-rich areas, we aim to ensure that the surrounding land will be managed in an effective way for both ecological and commercial purposes through strong working relationships with the farming community and businesses. We want to see wildlife habitats interconnected, and local people and organisations cherish, value and understand the landscape as a whole, recognising it as an integral part of their lives. In the year, we gave habitat advice to around 128 land owners and householders influencing the management of over 1,976 Hectares of land

The **Alun and Chwiler Living Landscape** entered its next phase in April 2018 with the start of the 18-month National Lottery Community Funded "Wild About Mold" project. The focus of this project is connecting the people of Mold and surrounding communities to the wildlife with which they share their environment. Also, increasing levels of pride in communities, health and wellbeing and confidence. So far, the project has organised 37 volunteer days with around 26 volunteers turning up to one event to plant trees. We have also attracted media attention and appeared in the Flintshire Leader on a number of occasions and ITV regional news twice.

Having secured match-funding from Natural Resources Wales (NRW), Henry Cook, started with us as the **Anglesey Fens Living Landscape Project Officer** in November. He has been working to achieve the projects goals which are to reduce pollution into the fens that harms habitat, improve connectivity between and enthuse people about the importance of the Anglesey fens. Henry has been delivering a variety of works, including: creating wetlands such as new ponds and clearing over-grown ditches; enhancing grasslands, such as creating new wildflower meadows and improving sites that have been in decline; removing non-native invasive species and planting trees in woodland site; and restoring and planting hedgerows to act as wildlife corridors and intercept field run-off. Working also with People and Wildlife staff, the project has undertaken events and activities in the area, motivating over 100 school children to help wildlife in their gardens.

The **Wrexham Industrial Estate Living Landscape Scheme** is running 36 schemes of work throughout the project area, whilst we continued to promote continuing environmental improvements across the whole estate through 2 Business Environment Meetings each attracting over 50 attendees. Highlights of practical benefits for wildlife include planting over 300m of new, native hedgerow in Holt. Also, wildflower verges were created at several sites for Wrexham Council and for several firms on the estate. New habitat for Grizzled Skipper was created at Coveris Coatings with woodland and scrub management. Ponds on private land at Isycoed were restored and improved to benefit amphibians. At Proserve Logistics we planted 0.5 hectare of woodland and created new wildflower meadows, while conservation grazing with Hebridean Sheep was introduced to the "Coronation Meadow" at Holt. Volunteer contributed over 30 days of their time to our work, carrying out a variety of tasks, including nest box building, scrub control and surveying for curlew and otters.

The **Dee INNS (Invasives) Partnership Project** Manager successfully secured funding from Welsh Government Sustainable Management Scheme to deliver the *Our River Wellbeing: Nature Based Solutions Project* in the Dee Catchment which aims to improve the social and economic health and wellbeing of those living in the Dee Valley in Wales through participation in practical conservation and training. The funding enabled the employment of a River Guardian Officer, Helen Carter-Emsell, who works alongside Lyn Byrne and Gemma Rose (Project Officer) who will continue to work towards further reducing the impacts of invasive non-native species and will complement the work carried out by the Trust and its partners since 2013. In the year, we supported partners at 56 events, with the support of over 1,133 volunteer hours, we have actively engaged with 1,882 individuals, providing training for 84 individuals, 8 of whom received formal qualifications. Thanks goes to all of our volunteers who have dedicated their time to the project.

Biosecurity remains a very important part of the Our River Wellbeing Project and the Dee INNS partnership's objectives and this year has seen our team delivering biosecurity at national events for the GB Non-Native Species Secretariat and British Canoe Union. This has enabled NWWT to demonstrate its abilities in terms of event biosecurity and deliver training to other organisations nationally. Following on from the success of 2017/18 we have also delivered a second suite of biosecurity training workshops for Natural Resources Wales throughout Wales which were very well received. In total this year we have delivered 15 biosecurity events, engaging with 1158 individuals, 954 of which were actively participating in an activity with the Dee catchment in North Wales.

A pilot project was run in conjunction with the Bat Conservation Trust called '**Understanding our Environment**' which offers people the opportunity to borrow static bat detectors for 4 consecutive nights in a 1km square of their choosing to increase the number and range of bat records and our knowledge of local bat populations in North-west Wales. The scheme is being rolled out to the general public during 2019.

The **North Wales Swift** project continued, with training workshops held in Bangor, Menai Bridge and Plas Tan y Bwlch, attended by 75 volunteers and professional ecologists. 70 more swift boxes were put up and sound systems were installed to attract swifts in. A *Swift Half* event was held at Plas y Brenin in June, celebrating swifts and people involved in their conservation. Swift walks and talks were also run in Bethesda, Dolgellau, Beaumaris, Menai Bridge, and Holyhead.

Through the Denbighshire **Life on the Verge** Group, we helped to draft a further improved road verge policy for Denbighshire County Council (DCC), now being considered for adoption. Also with DCC we are planning a verge restoration project proposed by the Woodland Skills Centre. Wildflower verges and roundabouts were maintained on the Wrexham Industrial Estate and in other parts of the county through our Living Landscape project. We worked with Anglesey County Council Highways department to ensure that the recognised Conservation Management Areas received the appropriate conservation cuts and where necessary this was followed up by the raking off and removal of arisings. We will be working with them to produce maps of the areas we managed under grant funding.

The **Habitats and Meadows** group had four well-attended meetings to private properties, including meadows undergoing restoration, ponds, hedges and limestone grassland. Valuable management experience was exchanged, including the use of green hay compared with small-scale plug planting, solving pond problems and how tall should hedges be?

Welsh Beaver Project

Project Officer, Alicia Leow-Dyke, remained in post for a third year with funding from People's Postcode Lottery. Following our forced abandoned plans for a reintroduction in Carmarthenshire we have identified a different catchment in Wales and have been working on a licence application. We have initiated and coordinated high-level meetings between the English and Welsh governmental environment bodies to develop cross-border cooperation and policies. We secured Welsh Government funding for a survey of the River Wye and to undertake initial training of volunteers in beaver management. We became a partner in the Rewilding Britain 'Summit to Sea' project located in mid-Wales. We submitted applications to a number of potential funding sources, successfully securing Welsh Government funding for a reintroduction to Wales.

Protecting Wildlife Havens from development

We joined an opposition group opposing the proposed link road through Leadbrook Wood Wildlife Site and its surrounding ancient hedgerows, wildflower-rich meadows and ponds and stand prepared to defend it if the proposals are progressed.

We opposed the construction of intensive poultry units near Abergele that threatened the wildlife of Coed y Gopa, an ancient woodland SSSI. We contributed to the Wrexham Local Development Plan, and attended the fora and workshops relating to the new Public Service Boards in Flintshire, Conwy and Gwynedd/Anglesey.

Securing Living Seas

Work, led by volunteers, continued at Angel Bay with the view of minimising disturbance on the seal population using the area for pupping and moulting. We are a member of the Wild Seas Wales Partnership working to bring together and promote wildlife codes of conduct. We continue to work with the Cetacean Strandings Investigation Programme, Pen Llŷn a'r Sarnau SAC Liaison Group, Wildlife Trusts Wales' Living Seas Group and contribute to the Angel Shark Project Wales Partnership. We continued to make clear our concerns regarding the impacts of offshore and coastal developments including Round 4 Offshore Wind, Ynys y Big Replacement Walkway and most notably Wylfa. Building on previous consultations and extensive liaison, Horizon submitted the Development Consent Order for the new nuclear power station to Planning Inspectorate in late 2018. Through the early part of 2019 we were heavily involved in the public enquiry, commenting on and discussing a wide range of biodiversity and environmental issues. We were also involved in extensive discussions and liaison with respect to the statutory assessments (relating to the presence of European designated sites including Cemlyn).

Despite Hitachi's removal of the financial backing and various political ruminations, the enquiry continued. As it draws to a close and we await the Inspectors decision, we still have a number of key concerns including the fundamental lack of proper recognition given to important natural resources; leading to late surveys, inadequate protection and damage already caused. We were committed to achieving outcomes that were the least environmentally damaging. Specifically, at Cemlyn we are extremely concerned that the cumulative effects and the severity of 10-years of construction and operation are extremely uncertain, difficult to predict and that appropriate consideration has not been given to the precautionary principle. We are indebted to the People's Postcode Lottery for funding which allowed us to appoint a biodiversity consultant to represent the Wildlife Trust in this work. We also value the contribution made by several volunteers, with expert knowledge of Cemlyn and other areas and subjects.

Managing our Nature Reserves

Our nature reserves are some of the best examples of semi-natural habitats in North Wales, providing protection for rare and threatened species that need assistance to spread back into the wider countryside, giving people the opportunity to enjoy and learn about the rich variety of habitats in their area. They rely on the invaluable support of a strong team of staff and volunteers.

Conwy

We undertook some major safety and path infrastructure work at **Rhiwledyn** (Little Orme) this year. A large boulder on the cliff face opposite the Craigside Inn was secured in place, a costly yet necessary consequence of us owning the land. In addition, some significant improvements to the Wales Coast Path were made thanks to funding from Conwy Council. Limestone pitching, path revetment, and a new kissing gate are welcome improvements to this popular footpath and should help to direct pedestrian traffic and prevent damage to the limestone grassland. At **Bryn Pydew**, new partnerships were made with the local community through the NRW-funded "Our Wild Community" project. Coleg Llandrillo, St David's College, Ysgol y Gogarth, Keep Wales Tidy, and The Wydden Valley Trust in particular have been active with habitat management, path maintenance, attending talks and walks, and doing litterpicks in and around the nature reserve. Our regular fortnightly volunteer group continue to control gorse, non-native cotoneaster, and undertake butterfly transects at **Gogarth**. Negotiations over the lease and grazing license at **Cors Bodgynydd** continued with NRW, where a summer group visit with the Welsh Highland Cattle Society yielded a welcome adder record. Conifer control continues in the winter months and the ageing boundary fence requires regular maintenance.

We have improved the ditch-blocking on the valley bog, **Blaenyweirglodd** near Llansannan to retain water on the site. This method of re-wetting to encourage the growth of peat forming sphagnum mosses appears to be working. We are grateful for voluntary help from Meg Abram, Mike Babbidge, Anna Griffiths, Mark Hughes, Joanna & Kevin Slattery, Jon Young, & members of Snowdonia Society and St David's College on our Conwy sites.

Denbighshire

In August, the long-awaited transfer of land at **Aberduna** from Hanson Aggregates to the Trust, took place. This significant acquisition has more than doubled the size of Aberduna nature reserve to 20 Ha and includes new habitats such as waxcap grassland, unimproved wild flower meadows, hedges, dry-stone walls and ponds with great

crested news. An Aberduna volunteer group met once a month to help with site management including coppicing woodland, hay cutting and scrub clearance from the limestone grassland slopes. A number of community engagement events took place as part of the Our Wild Community project including a Discover Aberduna event which attracted over 100 people in February. A small heritage orchard was planted with members of the community of Maeshafn next to the children's playground. The site management plan was reviewed by Matt Moss of our own "Enfys ecology" and included the wider quarry restoration plan. With thanks to the Clwydian Range and Dee Valley Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB), Carneddau ponies from the near-by Moel Fyndeg local nature reserve grazed Aberduna during the winter.

Coed Cilygroeslwyd volunteers Des James and Helen Conrad continued their sterling work maintaining and monitoring the 50 nest boxes on site which saw a 50% increase in Pied Flycatcher nesting on previous year (from 6 to 9 pairs). Volunteers helped with a hay cut of the species-rich limestone grassland within the glade using Austrian scythes and further Limestone woundwort plants propagated from seeds collected from the site were planted out with thanks to Chester Zoo. Bramble and fallen trees were cleared from the main wild daffodil area and "blind bulbs" were transplanted by children attending Grŵp Gwyllt established by Iwan Edwards as part of the Our Wild Community project. We hope to see an increase in the area of flowering daffodils in the future. A number of days were also spent working on tree safety around the reserve.

A Graig Wyllt volunteer group was formed to help with the reserve's maintenance; Mike Babbidge, Helen Conrad, Nigel Horrocks, Mal Ingham, Des James, & Heather McBain all helped to maintain the paths and clear hawthorn scrub from the limestone grassland. Volunteers also installed a new oak kissing gate at the entrance kindly donated by the Clwydian Range & Dee Valley AONB. Quotes for boundary fencing were sought and works planned for next financial year.

Friends of **Y Graig** volunteers met a number of times at weekends to clear scrub, cotoneaster and bramble from the slopes overlooking the Vale of Clwyd and a number of nest boxes were put up in the woodland for pied flycatcher. Thanks go to Martin Baxter and his Hebridean sheep for ongoing care of Y Graig.

We removed residual ash, hawthorn and bramble roots from the **Maes Hiraddug** flower rich meadow and ensured an August hay cut followed by grazing with belted Galloway cattle. We are particularly grateful to NRW for their financial support in this work and to our dedicated team of volunteers including several visits by a team of young people from the Our Wild Coast project.

With the help of our tenant farmers *Hefin* and *Eifion Edwards*, the upland moorland of **Gors Maen Llwyd** was grazed by sheep over the summer months and small areas of heather were flailed to encourage fresh new shoots. There is still a healthy adder population which was monitored, with thanks to County reptile recorder Mick Brummage, approx. 16 adult adders were observed as well as several young. Black grouse numbers were very low with only 2 adult males recorded during the breeding season. The late winter snow contributed to significant damage to the peat on the mountain track over the site which now requires repair. The dilapidated boardwalk to the bird-hide was dismantled and the path re-routed for safety reasons. Care of our reserves in Denbighshire would not be possible without the support of volunteers, including; Peter Aiken, Karen Anderson, Mike Babbidge, Martin Chadwick, Tom Day, Alex Evans, Richard Ewing, Barry Fox, Nick Howarth, Mark Hughes, Chris Jones, Owen Jones, Richard Kellett, Tony King; Alan Mackie, Roger & Chris Pawling, Geoff Pilmoor, Dennis Prosser, Graham Wright and Gareth Taylor.

Flintshire

The species-rich limestone grassland at **Coed y Felin** was awash with nectar rich wild flowers including bee orchids and numerous pollinators during the summer. The rare Deptford pink that grows on the slopes of the old limestone spoil heap down to the A541 appears to have declined. Seedlings propagated by volunteers were planted out to bolster the population. Small areas of Himalayan balsam were pulled up by volunteers during the summer as part of the River Alyn Himalayan Balsam Project which has been successful in reducing the area of balsam at Coed y Felin by 99%. Small areas of herb paris remain within the woodland along with other ancient woodland plant species such as blue bell and yellow archangel. Tree safety work was undertaken and sheep grazed the lower meadow.

We are indebted to volunteer reserve warden Mark Hughes for leading the monthly **Big Pool Wood** Volunteers; Mike Babbage, Alastair Barber, Cola Hyde, Peter Jones, Roger Riley, Jon Young, and Gareth Taylor. All have worked extremely hard to make this site one of the most popular in the area, working in the murky pool to remove encroaching willow, cutting reeds and removing reed rhizomes to create open water for waterfowl and invertebrates. We are particularly grateful to Roger and Gill Riley who contributed so much to improving the site for visitors and wildlife by regularly tending the site, donating nest boxes, bird feeders and benches.

A new reserve leaflet was produced for **Coed Trellyniau** explaining the site's history and management. The Bodfari Woodland Skills Centre help with the ongoing woodland management in return for timber as a sustainable management solution. Volunteers undertook litter sweeps and tidied the charcoal kiln area. The meadow saxifrage and other meadow flowers have responded well to livestock being fenced out in the field margins adjoining the reserve, funded by the Alyn and Chwiler Living Landscape Scheme.

Ongoing improvements to steps and paths at **Ddôl Uchaf** were completed by volunteers. The gales of December caused troubles with a number of dangerous trees requiring felling. The grassland was cut by hand in the summer and autumn and seed of the grass of parnassus were sown from local prominence as a trial to reintroduce this rare plant back to the site. Torch surveys for great crested newts showed the population to be stable, the previous year's pond reprofiling made survey easier and the ponds retained water longer into the breeding season. Otter spraint was regularly observed under the foot bridge on the Afon Pant Gwyn, indicating that they are passing through the site and linked to the Chwiler valley. Thanks go to Alex Evans, Dennis Prosser, and Graham Wright, for their time given freely in Flintshire.

Gwynedd

Some welcome funding from NRW, via the Dynamic Dunescape Heritage Lottery Fund project, paid for the installation of a new cattle pen at Morfa Bychan and an upgrade to the regularly flooded track across the golf course. These improvements will enable grazing of neighbouring dune grasslands in partnership with the National Trust, with a view to bringing the wider SSSI into favourable condition. Volunteer groups regularly controlled willow and scrub and maintained the boundaries at both **Morfa Bychan** and **Greenacres**. A 3rd successive winter of grazing at Greenacres is now starting to have a significant impact on the previously rank sward there. We are grateful to Llanbedr Community Council, who raised £3,000 for us from the Gaynor Cemlyn Jones Trust to renew the interpretation panels and signage at **Coed Crafnant**. Long term nest-box scheme volunteers Bryn and Sue Jones monitored the boxes again successfully, fledging over 300 pied flycatcher chicks which were ringed by British Trust for Ornithology volunteers, and helped recruit new volunteers to take over next year. Bryn will stay involved by helping with box maintenance in 2019. There was good news at **Gwaith Powdwr** where at least 4 female lesser horseshoe bats with young were discovered in T7, the building renovated in 2015 for the purpose of creating a maternity roost. The Wednesday volunteer group (including Ron Cole, Iona Griffith, Bryan Grimston, Greg Hartshorn, Ruth Hector, Richard & Janet Holland; Lydia Holt-Garner, Bryn Jones, Christine Meller, Harold Morris, Edward Owen, Roberta Rickard, Eric Roberts, Paul Smyth and Pat Waring did coppicing, woodland thinning, and installed more bat boxes for crevice-dwelling species to improve the surrounding habitat for bats generally. Ongoing reptile surveys and habitat management were undertaken in partnership with Bangor University conservation students. Our volunteers also continued to cut, treat, and clear rhododendron on neighbouring land, funded by Snowdonia National Park Authority. At **Caeau Tan-y-Bwlch**, NWWT and Plantlife volunteers counted the second highest total ever of greater butterfly orchids (4,598) in late June. The usual hay-cut wasn't undertaken there this year due to the lack of regrowth, while the reserve was grazed hard by cattle in the autumn instead.

There has been little work at **Cors y Sarnau** during 2018 with the ongoing absence of Section 16 funding for the SSSI. Extensive work is needed to clear encroaching birch and willow scrub from the valley mire and capital investment is needed to repair dams and block drainage ditches to manage the hydrology. It is hoped these works can be initiated in 2019 as part of a whole site approach which will include the adjoining land at **Coed Ty Uchaf**. A new reserve leaflet incorporating the reserve extension was produced.

A key event for our Bangor and Anglesey reserves was the appointment of a new Reserves Officer, Matt Cole, who joined us in early autumn from Essex Wildlife Trust, bringing with him a range of skills and expertise to add to the nature reserve team. He was soon able to use this dealing with the impacts of storms on our woodland reserves including **Nantporth**. At the **Spinnies Aberogwen**, thanks to our fantastic team of local volunteers, including Sue Carter, Gary Eisenhauer, Geoff & Kate Gibbs, Steve Ransome, Merryl Silsby, Richard Williams and Jon Young, the site and bird hides were kept in good shape for the large number of visitors we receive. Dredging work was also carried out, and final preparations were made for the replacement of the tidal flap and construction of the third hide.

At **Eithinog** the Belted Galloways and friends are now able to graze the whole reserve, following various restoration works in Cae Gwlyb. The dedicated team of "lookers" carried on its valuable role with Freda Wyn, Tony Andrews joined by volunteers on regular work parties; Jake Burton, Geoff Gibbs, Maredudd ap Rheinallt, Richard Williams; and from Bangor University Conservation Society, St David's College, and Snowdonia Society.

Wrexham

It was an exceptional year at **Marford Quarry**. Following a survey by local entomologist Bryan Formstone, a further 34 species of aculeate hymenoptera (bee, ants and wasps) were recorded bringing the total no of species to 171, making Marford Quarry one of the top sites in Wales for this group of insects. We are grateful to volunteers who walk the butterfly transect recording the abundance of different species and is now in its 27th year. Thank you to Simon Mills for co-ordinating this. The Marford volunteers (Alan Mackie, Alex Platts, Ann Morton, Dianna Wellens, John Smith, Richard Ewing, Jim Cross, Chris Jones, Geoff Pilmoor, Jeff Hodgson, Martin Chadwick, Nigel Burns), lead by Peter Aiken, have worked hard to maintain the open sandy ground and grassland areas that are rich in wild flowers and benefit many invertebrates and pollinators at the site. The area of wild liquorice in one enclosure was mapped and had increased in cover in the last 5 years. Extensive tree safety work was undertaken in Marford Wood following gales.

It was a big year for the Wildlife Trust when we officially opened our newest nature reserve **Minera Quarry** on the 1st June, attended by over 500 people. Since the opening there has been extensive safety work, overseen by trustee Simon Mills, to make some of the industrial heritage safe for visitors to see. This has included stabilising the buttress of the dismantled railway bridge and installing grills to prevent access to the Hoffman kiln, a scheduled ancient monument and important winter bat roost. Fencing around the perimeter of the quarry cliffs was also completed and works started to pave the way for a new foot bridge at the entrance. The Minera Quarry volunteers (most of whom also work at Marford, plus Yvonne Miller; Dom Gillespie; Paul Whybro and Alison Wellens) have worked hard to conserve the orchid-rich grassland areas by "tree popping" colonising birch and willow saplings. A number of public events have taken place on the site as part of the Our Wild Community project which has resulted in new volunteers being recruited.

Pisgah Quarry is worth a visit for its beautiful panorama of the Vale of Llangollen, which has been improved by some sensitive tree clearance enabling the visitor a wonderful vista westward towards Castell Dinas Bran and the Eglwseg. Perched above the river Dee it also looks on to the Pontcysyllte Aqueduct World Heritage site. Volunteers have helped to maintain the paths through the site, collect litter and cut the small limestone grassland glade.

2018 saw the future of **Three-Cornered Meadow** further protected to include an adjacent semi-improved flood meadow. The Trust entered into a five-year farm business tenancy with the Grosvenor Estate to manage the three meadows which contain 60% of "MG4" flood meadow plant community in Wales. Two of the meadows are designated as **Old Pulford Brook Meadows** SSSI and it was felt important to reflect this by adopting this as the new name for the reserve. A summer hay cut was taken followed by a late silage cut in the absence of grazing stock. Plans for 2019 include stock fencing and installation of a water supply to enable grazing.

Ynys Môn

At **Caeau Pen-y-Clip** and **Mariandyrys** grazing continued to be the most important management tool and voluntary help from Katy Haines, Alan Kennett, Richard Storey, Colin Thomas, Ruth Yap and students from Bangor University was invaluable. At **Coed Porth-aml**, minor storm damage over winter was cleared.

At **Cemlyn**, the colony showed signs of recovery from the previous disastrous year. Over 500 pairs of Sandwich terns had a good year raising numerous young; this was alongside a black-headed gull colony of over 200 pairs. Supported by an EU LIFE Programme project ("*Improving the conservation prospects of the priority species roseate tern throughout its range in the UK and Ireland*") we were able to install an electric fence which successfully helped protect the colony. We value highly the time and knowledge of the dedicated group of volunteers, including Geoff Gibbs, Mark Morris, Sheila & Richard Perry, Steve Roberts, Sue Timperley, Fin Wilson and Bangor University Conservation Society who helped our summer wardens keep the colony safe from disturbance and provide advice to visitors. We are grateful to the National Trust for the continued use of the buildings at Hen Blas.

At **Cors Goch National Nature Reserve**, following the tremendous efforts of the Biffa Award *Transforming Cors Goch* project, in 2018 some a degree of consolidation took place to review the impacts of all the work. A key result was a more managed approach to grazing with belted galloways and highland cattle used around the reserve. But we

still have further work to do in this area, and our new Reserves Officer is playing a key role in this. The impetus of improvements to Bryn Golau cottage was also maintained as further work was undertaken to improve the buildings and especially the grounds to provide an attractive venue for volunteers and events. An amazing amount of habitat management work was carried out around the site by volunteers, (including Megan Abram, Katy Haines, Alan Kennett, Richard & Sheila Perry, Penny & Geoff Radford, Jane & Ivor Rees, Paul Skeet, Richard Storey, Colin Thomas and Alan Williams; with students from Bangor, Bristol & Nottingham Trent Universities and volunteers from Keep Wales Tidy. This work has resulted in noticeable improvements to the grassland and heathland areas. The hot dry summer weather may have affected some species, particularly wetland invertebrates. Marsh gentian numbers though, remain good.

The annual spotted rock-rose survey at Porth Diana revealed only 279 plants (flowering or in bud), a significant decrease on the previous year. The very hot, dry conditions may be partly responsible resulting in early blooming and the drying out of small plants and suitable habitat.

Connecting People and Wildlife

We continued to engage and inform people bilingually about wildlife through both staff and local branches and estimate we interacted directly with at least 26,490 people. We ran around 516 events on our reserves and 211 further afield, including swift searches, late night glow-worm & nightjar excursions, early morning dawn chorus walks, bluebell rambles and wetland flower hunts. This includes those run by our volunteer branches whose sterling efforts arranged over 14 events on our nature reserves and 80 on other sites.

Through our various projects, we engaged with over 103 primary, 130 secondary schools, 87 youth groups and over 152 other groups, such as Bristol Birding Group, young people from Shropshire Wildlife Trust's 'Growing Confidence' project, Roots n Shoots Gardening Club, Abermorddu, and Llanfair PG Women's Institute. This year's Lacey Lecture enjoyed by over 230 people, was given by Philip Hoare, who talked about "The Ocean's Skin" at Venue Cymru, focussing on the human relationship with the sea including personal encounters with magnificent marine wildlife. We were involved in many events run by other organisations, including Gwledd Conwy Feast, Eisteddfod yr Urdd, the Royal Welsh Agricultural Show, the Bailey Hill Festival and Plas Cadnant Garden Festival. We are grateful to the many talented and generous volunteers who made our events possible.

Our Wild Coast

Summer 2018 marked the half-way point for the delivery of the project, and was also the point at which young people from across North Wales began to determine the direction of their project activities through regional, youth-led forums. Our Anglesey youth forum have perhaps made the most progress so far, having successfully applied for funding from Grow Wild to develop their own community wildflower project centred around the Caeau Pen y Clip nature reserve.

The past year has also seen the project work with a much wider range of young people, many of whom are outside mainstream education. This included two special needs schools, two care homes and a group of home-schooled young people from across Denbighshire. The project continues to build momentum as it heads into its final year of activities, with nearly 400 young people having been engaged in long term activity since it began in 2016.

Living Seas Wales

Officially launched on the 6th June at the Volvo Ocean Yacht Race in Cardiff by Lord Dafydd Elis-Thomas, this project is in partnership with the Wildlife Trust of South & West Wales. The project is delivered by Dawn Thomas, Eve Grayson and a team of Living Seas Champions who have undertaken almost 80 events in its first year. Almost 2,000 people joined in with eight Living Seas Roadshow events where people were introduced to the Sea Wales Augmented Reality Experience, Dolphin Dive 360° and various wildlife activities. A number of volunteer training events were held.

Volunteering

Throughout the year volunteers made an invaluable contribution to our work. Over 500 individual volunteers plus 17 groups (including Bangor University; University of Chester; Coleg Menai; CAIS; Bristol University; North West Wales Amphibian & Reptile Group; Nottingham Trent University; Snowdonia Society and St. David's College) contributed 20,382 hours of their valuable time to help us with our work. This included practical conservation work

on our nature reserves, as part of our Living Landscape & Living Seas projects, as well as helping with the day-to-day running of our shops on the Great Orme & at Breakwater Country Park and wildlife gardening and administrative work in our Bangor Office. The number of hours volunteers spent working on our nature reserves increased by over 19% and the total hours contributed by volunteers in all aspects of our work increased by over 11% (compared to 2017-18 figures). We are truly grateful for all of the support given by our volunteers throughout the year.

The **Wild Volunteering Ynys Mon** project, part-funded through Anglesey Council's Sustainable Development Fund, aims to get people (especially youngsters) more involved in conservation, and focuses on 4 key species. Volunteers took part in the Sandwich tern clutch count, a harvest mouse survey in Llanddona and swift surveys in Holyhead and Menai Bridge. A winter yellowhammer survey was also carried out. 15 school field trips were arranged, involving 408 pupils, and walks at Cemlyn and Cors Goch were led with students from Coleg Menai, Benllech Rainbows, and Cymdeithas Edward Llwyd. The Cors Goch Birdsong Walk, NWWT Bird Race, and Cemlyn Bioblitz and Creature Count took place, and Radical Rockpooling (coasteering) was carried out with B-Active. 6 talks were given to various audiences, along with 6 radio interviews, including a broadcast on Radio Wales Science Café, and 2 TV interviews for S4C. 5 articles were published, including an in-depth feature on swifts for Y Naturiaethwr.

Encouraging Individual Action for Wildlife and the Environment

"Our Wild Community" project, supported by Natural Resources Wales aims to increase involve local communities in 8 of our nature reserves. Over 100 people braved storms to attend a February event at **Aberduna**, for taster sessions, leading to many volunteering and training opportunities and a sense that the reserve is becoming embedded in the community. Collaboration with the Clwydian Range and Dee Valley Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) team aims to improve eco-connectivity. We are developing an 'Aberduna experience' offering for schools and are developing opportunities for a volunteer group dedicated to green space improvement for people and wildlife.

Minera Quarry continued to draw new volunteers and we work closely with Minera Quarry Trust. We instigated a collaborative 'Spring into Action' event at the Plas Pentwyn local resource centre with Woodland Trust, Brymbo Heritage group and Groundwork leading to a 'Clywedog trail' event; which will include Minera Quarry. Our work around the two Ruthin reserves (**Graig Wylt** and **Coed Cilygroesllwyd**) is providing exciting opportunities to engage with several small rural and predominantly Welsh speaking communities. Collaborating with local schools, the community-run 'Siop Pwllglas' and with newly formed groups such as the Grŵp Gwylt for (young families) and a fledgling local 'conservation group' there is a real sense here that we are connecting people and wildlife and opening eyes and ears to the wonderful landscape within which they live. It is great to be working more closely with Butterfly Conservation on connectivity between our reserves (Eyarth rocks) and we have been able to attract Sustainable Development Funding to improve eco-connectivity across the valley from Graigfechan to Pwllglas which is seen as a blueprint for long term future collaboration with the AONB. We have developed links with community groups and schools around our **Conwy** reserves, **Eithinog** and **Cors Goch**. During science week with the help of University students and Our Wild Community volunteers we carried out practical workshops on how to attract wildlife to our gardens at Ysgol Llanbedrgoch, Talwrn, Pentraeth and Benllech. Over 130 pupils took part and went home with leaflets about the Trust and 10 Top Tips to attract wildlife to gardens. Community open days talking about Cors Goch to the locals in Llanbedrgoch, Llangefni and Benllech engaged with hundreds of locals. Working in collaboration with Llanbedrgoch village group, plans have been drawn up for events and activities around the reserve. In Conwy, we have started work with Ysgol Glanwydden, improving land within and outside the school perimeter. Plans are also developing with the Glanwydden Trust to create a wildflower meadow in the village, leading to forthcoming activities around Bryn Pydew for the spring and summer.

Creating wildlife gardens with community groups and schools remains popular, including through the nationwide **Polli:Nation** project where we worked with 12 schools running Opal surveys, and practical workshops, such as hedge-planting and creating large nectar borders. It won the "Best Environmental Project" in the Big Lottery annual awards. We continued work with the Leonard Cheshire disability centre working with residents to encourage interaction with nature and improve the grounds for biodiversity. We are encouraging Ysgol yr Hendre and Ysgol Maesincla in Caernarfon to carry on with their work at the school allotment and wildlife garden on their own, with 5 practical workshops in the schools. The wildlife garden at Llys Garth office, Bangor came on apace, thanks to Anna Williams' leadership of volunteers, making a pond, planting nectar, herb borders, and a woodland copse with bluebells, making compost bays and planters for native garden plants and sourcing garden furniture. Its suitability

for birds will be shown through our contribution to the annual British Trust for Ornithology Garden Bird watch and it was an ideal place for running a Bumblebee training course. Llys Garth also proved a good venue, for art and craft courses such as willow weaving, Xmas wreath and birdbox making and landscape painting for beginners.

We were able to support community groups in making their **Living Churchyards** better for wildlife through helping them source their own grants, to make improvements; we worked in Llanfair TH, St James', Holywell; St Marcella's, Denbigh; St Matthews' Buckley; Tyddyn St, Mold; Ysgol Llanfair TH, Conwy; and Gresford municipal graveyard. We also led on a number of **Orchard Recovery projects**, including orchard training sessions with Brymbo heritage group and Flintshire WI group at Wepre Park. We are working with Denbighshire CC, Flintshire CC and Coed Cymru to develop the project further.

We value the membership of companies as our "**Natural Partners**", and with some this relationship developed further where we supported them in practical wildlife conservation on the ground. We sowed a pilot wildflower meadow with new partners Copco, and continued to maintain Abakhan Fabrics' wildflower meadow. Toyota funded the creation of a new outdoor classroom as part of their pollinator project at St Ethelwold's primary school, Shotton, while we created 5 school orchards with Airbus.

Being an Effective Voice for Wildlife throughout the Wildlife Trust Movement

The power of the Wildlife Trust movement is in the 3 political levels we work at to make a difference where it counts. Our grassroots are in North Wales; Wildlife Trusts Wales speak up for wildlife in Cardiff; and The Wildlife Trusts are our voice in Westminster. Through the ongoing tortuous Brexit negotiations, our ability to bring the environment to the fore in the right place has been key. A campaign was launched by The Wildlife Trusts for a strong Environment Act in England which demands a nature recovery network with legal backing. In Wales, we have an Environment Act and the Well-being of Future Generations Act which prepare the ground for bringing wildlife back, and with Wildlife Trusts Wales through our Wilder Future campaign we have seized on the opportunity of Brexit to influence land-use policy to start to bring Welsh wildlife back into recovery, confronting impacts on climate change, and reducing natural resource depletion. The wider countryside has never been so silent and devoid of life as it is today, and so with our partners in Wales Environment Link, we are demanding that the Welsh Government moves away from damaging agricultural and forestry policy which has led to the effective industrialisation of our countryside. Over 80% of Wales is farmed, so unsustainable practices have led to significant adverse impacts on wildlife through loss of habitat, with river pollution through agricultural chemicals and slurry leaching. Poor soil management, woodland felling and peatland destruction have caused increased flood risk, and contribute to climate change. We have proposed a new land-use policy and funding mechanism with the health of our environment at its heart, and a food supply which values and rewards nature-friendly farming and disadvantages damaging practices. We believe this will help wildlife recover, whilst also supporting local economies and communities, reducing flooding, enabling a clean and steady supply of water, supporting carbon storage in healthy soils, increasing the well-being of the nation, and producing high quality Welsh sustainably produced food.

We also influenced consultations such as the revision of Wales Planning Policy, and are keeping up the pressure for a meaningful 2nd edition of the State of Natural Resources Report. We made known to many, including the First Minister how woeful the Nature Recovery Action Plan is, which sets out how Wales will address the Convention on Biological Diversity's Strategic Plan for Biodiversity and the associated Aichi biodiversity targets in Wales.

We supported Westminster lobbying, such making our views known on the future of UK fisheries management to Liz Saville-Roberts MP, in advance of UK a Fisheries Bill, inviting her to discuss how we can use this opportunity to establish the UK as a world leader in sustainable fisheries management. We brought our local work to the attention of MPs in Westminster such as when Francis Curran, one of "Our Wild Coast" participants attended a parliamentary reception to showcase the Wildlife Trusts' youth work, and promote the need for an English Environment Bill.

Being Widely Recognised and Respected for our Work

We have continued to draw upon the Trust's Communications Strategy in all of our communication work, which aims to help deliver Trust strategic objectives and raise the profile of the Trust. We have striven to apply best practice guidance and research received from The Wildlife Trusts (TWT). Monthly communications planning meetings are now set up with all project managers to assist with 'upskilling' staff and better delivery and planning, thereby seeking to change our culture from 'reactive to 'proactive'.

We made significant headway in improving the design and content of our members' magazine and are due to move to professionally designed TWT templates in the Summer 2019 issue. The changes being made aim to produce a more effective, more engaging magazine and thereby improve membership retention.

Our monthly e-newsletter 'E-Natur' has undergone some major changes this year. Due to recent General Data Protection Regulations we contacted all current subscribers to ask for opt-in and although the subscriber list fell dramatically, we have now recovered with 2,945 subscribers as of March 2019. We moved to a weekly e-newsletter 'Wild Weekly/Wythnos Gwylt' using the new Wildlife Trusts' (TWT) e-newsletter content guidelines and templates. We are working closely with local branches and Trust projects to develop a series of improved email communications.

We launched our new website in July 2018 based on the much improved TWT website template. This has been designed to be responsive, and mobile friendly and provide content that meets 6 key 'user journeys' (attend an event, visit a reserve, support, learn about wildlife, act and help from home). We have seen a steady rise in the number of website visitors and a significant increase in online memberships.

We sent out regular press releases, generating articles in the local press and interviews on local radio.

We continue to develop our social media channels and our main Facebook page now has 6,322 likes (+33%, March 2019) and we launched an Instagram account in February 2019.

Communications played an important role in several campaigns and appeals, for example the use of paid Facebook advertising to reach our target 'Wildlife Enthusiast' audience has proved successful in driving sign up to our 30 Days Wild campaign - where locally we engaged with over nearly 1,000 families, schools and businesses, helping achieve a national campaign engagement of 350,000 participants!

Increasing Funding and Resources so the Trust can Flourish

As ever, the ongoing support of our members is absolutely crucial to the flourishing of the Trust, as is the continued search for new supporters. We have invested in a Membership Marketing & Recruitment Manager to further support our current position as the fastest-growing Wildlife Trust in the UK, and are grateful to every single one of our nearly 5,800 members for everything they do for us.

We remain extremely grateful for the bequests of legacy leavers and support of their families, and to those who have contributed donations in memory of loved ones. In the past twelve months, Living Legacies, have helped us buy cameras, telescopes and bat detectors; restore critical infrastructure at Spinnies Aberogwen; and develop our wildlife garden at Llys Garth. We continue to welcome further enquiries about this challenging, but incredibly valuable means of support.

Finally, grants remain important but fleeting contributions to our fundraising. The single major success of 2018-19 has been obtaining over £680,000 from Welsh Government's Sustainable Management Scheme to further develop work in our Alun & Chwiler Living Landscape area. Over three years, we'll be restoring habitats, planting trees and hedgerows, controlling invasive species and supporting the area's farmers to better manage their land for people and wildlife alike. We've also been grateful for smaller awards to fund conservation projects around swifts and white-clawed crayfish, and to develop work linking local community groups with eight of our nature reserves.

Money gratefully received from local members' Branches transferred to central funds during the year was as follows:

Anglesey	£2,123
Arfon	£900
Conwy Valley	£1,200
Wrexham	£600
Clwydian	£420
Meirionnydd	£100

Grants and other funds over £2,000 paid to the Trust during the year

Anglesey County Borough Council	£7,094	Natural Resources Wales	£115,399
Beryl Thomas Animal Welfare Trust	£5,000	People's Postcode Lottery	£30,786
BIFFA Award	£60,215	People's Postcode Lottery via WTW	£29,850
National Lottery Community Fund	£207,398	Welsh Government	£197,633
Esmée Kirby Trust	£11,500	Wildlife Trust S & W Wales (Living Seas)	£18,248
Chester Zoo	£10,000		
Gaynor Cemlyn Jones Trust	£3,000	DONATIONS & LEGACIES	
GEWs LTD	£10,000	The Family of Colin Harrington	£9,000
National Lottery Heritage Fund	£235,713	Legacy from H Turner	£40,486
Learning Through Landscape	£2,950	Individual Donation to Osprey Appeal	£5,186
National Trust	£8,000	Legacy from R Duckers	£4,383

Ensuring we are Effective and Fit for Purpose

We continued with our strategy of investing some of our financial reserves, and during the year approved a number of projects, including signage on nature reserves, a nature reserve handbook, improvement of the public space at Llys Garth office, and the recruitment of our Membership & Marketing Manager. Also, after several years in development, our staff were able to move into our new eastern office at Aberduna nature reserve. With the huge support of around 18 volunteers, led by Richard Ewing and Peter Aiken, the refurbishment was completed, in spite of many hurdles in our way, such as electricity, water and phone lines having been cut off. The Trust's Council reviewed and approved our policies on privacy and data protection, health & safety and the environment (our own use of resources). We have drafted a Business Continuity Plan to support us in the event of an emergency which might disrupt the Trust ability to function.

Achievements and Performance

	2018-19	2017-18
Members	5,794	5,001
Members of Natural Partners (Corporate Scheme)	33	34
Nature reserves	36	36
Area of nature reserves	790 Ha	783 Ha
Number of volunteers (excluding external groups)	504	350
Total volunteer hours	>20,382	>18,216
Volunteer hours on our nature reserves	>12,295	>10,305
Schools worked with	233	206
Subscribers to eNatur digital magazine - Welsh (English)	45 (2,945)	63 (3,196)
Direct interactions with the public	>26,493	>21,450
Members of Staff (full-time equivalent)	35	30
Branches	6	6

Plans for Future Periods

Our work is guided by our Strategic Development Plan 2016-21.

Our Aim

Our aim is to protect and create resilient ecosystems on land and in the sea, through improving places for wildlife and connecting people with wildlife; recognising that we are uniquely positioned to strengthen the relationship between local people and the natural environment of North Wales, and to promote the value of the natural environment to local people.

Our work will deliver on two strategic themes;

Making Places Better for Wildlife

We will do this primarily through creating Living Landscapes, managing our nature reserves, securing healthy Living Seas, and supporting the good management of undesignated Wildlife Sites.

Connecting People with Wildlife.

Our goal is to take people on a journey to a place where they feel inspired and empowered to act for wildlife with us. We will do this through improving their understanding of wildlife and ecosystems, engaging and educating them of the value of their local wildlife, and demonstrating to them how the natural world works for both people and wildlife.

By 2021, we plan to develop:

- Three Living Landscape schemes supported by land owners and local communities
- The concept of Living Seas and how it will play out in North Wales
- A flagship volunteer development programme to underpin reserve management
- A network of well-managed, accessible nature reserves and marine protected areas
- An expanded consultancy capacity around our core skills
- Working relationships with relevant stakeholders and their respective representative organisations
- New revenue streams
- Our high-quality educational engagements and strengthen our relationship with the education sector
- The Trust profile as the leading local environmental charity in North Wales

Over the longer term, our aim is for:

- Biodiversity recovering from past decline across North Wales
- The natural environment adapting well and helping to slow down climate change
- A landscape within which wildlife is able to move freely and adapt to the effects of climate change
- Recovering, sustainable ecosystems
- Closer working partnerships with like-minded organisations and those with which we need to work to achieve our aims
- Communities understanding how they benefit from the services that the natural environment provides
- Greater access to wildlife-rich green spaces
- More people valuing, enjoying and feeling inspired by the natural world and valuing the land and sea for the many ways in which it supports our quality of life.

Thank you!

- People support us by being a Trust member, giving a donation, promoting corporate and school membership, leaving a legacy, visiting our shops or web-shop, and offering services.
- Volunteers are crucial, providing varied and valuable skills; running events, practical conservation work, wildlife surveys, site wardening, marine work, fundraising, manning shops, giving professional advice, and office administration.
- Grants are vital, whereby we can fulfil our own objectives whilst contributing to the goals of a range of funders.
- Funds from our subsidiaries, Enfys Ecology and NWWT Trading (volunteer-run shops on the Great Orme and in Breakwater Country Park), provide valuable unrestricted income.
- Our staff are skilled and highly motivated to act on our supporters' behalf in the interest of wildlife, often going beyond the call of duty.

Diolch yn fawr!

- Mae pobl yn ein cefnogi ni drwy fod yn aelodau o'r Ymddiriedolaeth, cyfrannu rhodd, hybu aelodaeth gorfforaethol ac ysgol, gadael gwaddol, ymweld â'n siopau ni neu'r siop ar y we, a chynnig eu gwasanaethau.
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REPORT ON ACTIVITIES OF THE SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES

N.W.W.T. Trading Limited (Registered Company No. 2453752)

The Directors present their report and accounts for the year ended 31st March 2019.

Principal Activity

NWWT Trading Ltd operates all year round but mainly concentrates on its two seasonal (March – October) retail outlets. There is also a small shop front at its offices in Bangor, an online shop and goods are sold at local fairs and events.

Main Trading Outlets

NWWT Trading Ltd has two main outlets which are run entirely by volunteers. A small shop located in the visitors' centre at the Great Orme Tram Station, Llandudno and a kiosk at Breakwater Country Park, Holyhead. Both premises are owned by the local Council. We usually open just before Easter and close after the Autumn half term break. We aim to open 7 days a week come rain or shine! The Great Orme shop concentrates on gifts and books but also sells a nice range of headwear and gloves. It has traditionally also sold goods on behalf of the Country Park and starting last season, it now also sells official tram themed gifts. Breakwater Park sells drinks, confectionery, ice cream, plants and a selection of gifts and books. Both shops act as unofficial information centres and volunteers quickly become used to being asked a wide range of queries.

Staffing and Volunteers.

The company employs a self-employed consultant according to demand but the bulk of the work running the two outlets is done by volunteers. They take on most of the roles needed including drawing up rotas, DIY, ordering some stock and general day to day management of the shops. Without their dedication NWWT Trading Ltd would not be able to function and we are very grateful for all they do.

2018/19 Season

We had a very good season last year with some weeks of glorious weather. We said goodbye to a volunteer of many years, Beryl Nicolls, who we wish well in her retirement and welcomed some new faces. We are always on the look-out for new volunteers at both our outlets.

The new North Wales Wildlife Trust website was finished and we now have a much improved on-line shop. The species sponsorships are proving to be particularly popular and we introduced a new Swift Sponsorship certificate to widen our range.

End of Year Financial Overview

The year 2018/19 was a very successful year for the Trading Company. Nearly all areas of trading saw an increase in sales. The Great Orme shop increased sales by 5.2% and the Breakwater Park kiosk by 16.5%! The new Internet shop saw sales increase by over £500, mostly due to the popular sponsorships which were revamped in 2018.

The amount forecast to be covenanted over to NWWT is approximately £20,011. Last year £17, 812 was covenanted over. This will mean an increase of approximately £2,200.

This money which is used as unrestricted funding is of enormous value to the Trust and many heartfelt thanks to all the volunteers which make the Trading Company work so well.

Enfys Ecology Limited (Registered Company No. 2535184)

The Directors present their report and accounts for the year ended 31st March 2019.

Principal Activity

Enfys Ecology's principal activity is "the provision of wildlife and habitat surveys, management and advice, providing services which encourage engagement of people with the natural world, including through formal education and tourist provision".

Directors' Report

During the year Enfys ecology increased in size from three full time members of staff to five staff members (one at 0.8 FTE), supplemented by accredited sub-contractors as required. As a result of the increase in the number of staff, and also the geographic spread of the works, The NWWT Mold office (now at Aberduna) remains the Enfys ecology main office. The company also now rents office space from NWWT in the Bangor office, with two members of staff usually based there, visiting the Mold office at least weekly. One staff member commenced maternity leave in March 2019 and is expected to return in early 2020, during which time her work is temporarily covered.

One staff member was full time as Ecological Clerk of Works at Clocaenog Windfarm on behalf of SLR, for Innogy from March 2018 – this work is still ongoing, whilst hours are reduced. Additionally a large habitat reinstatement/enhancement work was undertaken during winter 2018/19 along the pylon route for the North Wales Windfarm Connection Project involving tree and hedgerow planting, and going forward will include the maintenance for five years. Deriving from this work, a new part time post of Habitat Management Officer has been created for 2019/2020.

Enfys ecology have been working with Middlemarch Environmental, providing an extra surveyor for surveys over the peak summer months, which resulted in just under £5,000 of profit during 2018 – 2019.

The most frequent surveys required are still bat surveys and phase 1 habitat surveys, with many small projects carried out during 2018 - 2019. During the year only one new Great-crested newt project required trapping which was on behalf of Middlemarch, and all survey work has been monitoring from previous projects.

Despite Enfys ecology now being an approved supplier for Dŵr Cymru unfortunately as yet no work has come of this. Enfys has gone in joint tenders with other Wildlife Trust Consultancies for marine monitoring on behalf of NRW however were unsuccessful. We are also part of the Framework for SP Energy, however we are still waiting to hear back if we have been successful.

Between November 2018 – March 2019 Enfys were involved the production of management plan reviews for of NWWT. Enfys also carried out surveys on behalf of Wildground to provide information towards the management of their nature reserves.

The net profit of £80,700 generated in the year is covenanted to North Wales Wildlife Trust and the funds will be paid over during the next financial year.

At the end of the financial year a healthy order book exists including a significant number of newt surveys (most of these are again monitoring visits) and bat surveys.

Enfys continues to be "Safe Contractor" accredited and all staff and regular sub-contractors hold Construction Skills Certification Scheme (CSCS) cards. Enfys was also successful in obtaining ISO 9001 and 14001 accreditations.

The Directors look forward to continued success in the next financial year.

TRUSTEES OF THE NORTH WALES WILDLIFE TRUST STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES
Is detailed on page 2 of this report.

Approved by the Trustees on 11th July 2019

and signed on its behalf by: Chair  Roger Thomas

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF NORTH WALES WILDLIFE TRUST

Opinion

We have audited the consolidated financial statements and parent charitable company financial statements ('the financial statements') of North Wales Wildlife Trust (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 31 March 2019 which comprise the consolidated Statement of Financial Activities, the consolidated and parent company Balance Sheet, the consolidated Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the group and of the parent charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2019 and of the group's incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure and of the group's cash flows for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company and group in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the trustees have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the group and charitable company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Other information

The trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our Report of the Independent Auditors thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Report of the Trustees for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Report of the Trustees has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the group and parent charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Report of the Trustees.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or

**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF
NORTH WALES WILDLIFE TRUST**

- the trustees were not entitled to take advantage of the small companies exemption from the requirement to prepare a Strategic Report or in preparing the Report of the Trustees.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees Responsibilities, the trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the group and parent charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue a Report of the Independent Auditors that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Report of the Independent Auditors.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the parent charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



Jason Leach (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of Bennett Brooks & Co Limited
Chartered Accountants
& Statutory Auditors
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Date: 11/7/2019

NORTH WALES WILDLIFE TRUST
STATEMENT OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(incorporating a consolidated Income and Expenditure Account)
For the 12 months ended 31 March, 2019

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total Mar-19 £	Mar-18 £
Incoming resources					
Incoming resources from generated funds					
Donations and legacies	4	207,830	74,563	282,393	352,352
Total Activities for generating funds	5	499,752	10,780	510,532	291,791
Total Investment income	7	35,974	9,185	45,159	34,238
		743,556	94,528	838,084	678,381
Total Incoming resources from charitable activities	8	21,407	971,760	993,167	976,162
Total incoming resources		764,963	1,066,288	1,831,251	1,654,543
Resources expended					
Total Fundraising cost	9	489,422	9,154	498,576	330,542
Total Charitable Expenditure	10	163,349	1,302,663	1,466,012	1,260,796
Total resources expended		652,771	1,311,817	1,964,588	1,591,338
Net movement in funds before transfers		112,192	(245,529)	(133,337)	63,205
Transfer between funds	16	(219,995)	219,995	-	-
Net movement in funds before revaluations and investment asset disposals		(107,803)	(25,534)	(133,337)	63,205
Gains/(losses) on revaluations of investment asset property		96,235	-	96,235	-
Net movement in funds		(11,568)	(25,534)	(37,102)	63,205
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		1,023,756	573,219	1,596,975	1,533,770
Total funds carried forward	16	1,012,188	547,685	1,559,873	1,596,975

NORTH WALES WILDLIFE TRUST
COMPANY NUMBER - 773995
COMPANY BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 March, 2019

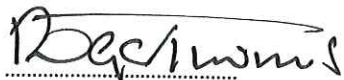
	Notes	2019		2018	
		£ Group	£ Company	£ Group	£ Company
Fixed assets					
Heritage assets	18	581,770	581,770	582,870	582,870
Tangible assets	19	45,588	30,759	30,078	30,078
Investments	20	-	50,200	-	30,200
Investment property	21	170,000	170,000	-	-
Total Fixed Assets		797,358	832,729	612,948	643,148
Current assets					
Stock	22	19,106	-	18,900	-
Debtors	23	391,978	332,473	350,274	349,700
Cash at bank and in hand		639,985	470,772	823,911	784,508
Total Current Assets		1,051,069	803,245	1,193,085	1,134,208
Creditors:					
amounts falling due within one year	24	(288,554)	(81,825)	(209,058)	(186,106)
Net current assets		762,515	721,420	984,027	948,102
NET ASSETS		1,559,873	1,554,149	1,596,975	1,591,250
Income funds					
Unrestricted funds		1,012,188	1,006,464	1,023,756	1,018,031
Restricted funds		547,685	547,685	573,219	573,219
Total funds carried forward	25	1,559,873	1,554,149	1,596,975	1,591,250

The trustees have prepared group accounts in accordance with section 398 of the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Act 2011. These accounts are prepared in accordance with the special provision of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies and constitute the annual accounts required by the Companies Act 2006.

The notes on pages 28 to 39 form part of these accounts.

11th July

The financial statements were approved on behalf of the Council on and signed on its behalf by:



R Thomas, Chairman



I Dunsire, Hon Treasurer

NORTH WALES WILDLIFE TRUST
COMPANY NUMBER - 773995
CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT
For the 12 months ended 31 March, 2019

	Notes	2019		2018	
		£ Group	£ Company	£ Group	£ Company
Cash flows from operating activities:					
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	29	(229,085)	(338,895)	927	43,946
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Dividends, interest and rents from investments		45,159	45,159	34,238	34,238
Purchase of investments		-	(20,000)	-	-
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		45,159	25,159	34,238	34,238
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		(183,926)	(313,736)	35,165	78,184
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		823,911	784,508	788,746	706,324
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		639,985	470,772	823,911	784,508

NORTH WALES WILDLIFE TRUST
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED ACCOUNTS
Year ended 31 March 2019

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the inclusion of fixed asset investments at market value, and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practices applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (effective 1 January 2015).

The Trustees confirm that the Charity is a public benefit entity.

The accounts are prepared for the year ended 31 March 2019 the last set of accounts having been prepared for the year previous to that.

Basis of consolidation

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the inclusion of fixed asset investments at fair value, and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities, issued in March 2005.

The charity has taken advantage of paragraph 3(3) of Schedule 4 of the companies Act and adapted the Companies Act formats to reflect the special nature of the Trust's activities. No separate SOFA has been presented for the Trust alone as permitted by Section 408 of the Companies Act 2006 and paragraph 397 of the SORP.

Unrestricted funds

Unrestricted funds are expendable at the discretion of the Trustees for the furtherance of the Trust's objects.

Designated funds

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the Trustees for particular purposes.

Restricted funds

Restricted funds are subject to specific trusts, which may be declared by the donor, with the donor's authority or may be created through legal process, but still be within the wider objects of the Trust. Restricted funds may be restricted income funds or capital funds.

Depreciation Policy

Individual items costing less than £10,000 are capitalised and fully depreciated in the year of purchase. All other fixed assets are depreciated over their estimated useful life.

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates:

Plant and machinery - 12.5% Vehicle -20% Computers -33.3% on cost

Heritage assets

Heritage assets comprise nature reserves, buildings and related improvements, which are held under a policy of long-term retention as part of the objects of the Trust.

Nature reserves held at 31 March 2001 are only capitalised to the extent of any historical cost to the Trust. Reserves so held are not revalued because conventional revaluation bases are not considered reliable for this purpose.

Since 1 April 2001, new nature reserves are capitalised where acquired for a known cost or where a reliable value can be attributed to any asset gifted or bequeathed to the Trust.

Buildings held in heritage assets owned by the trust have not been depreciated, as in the opinion of the trustees, the programme of improvement and repair maintains the assets to a standard whereby the total residual value will be maintained. Consequently the amount of any depreciation would not be material.

Investment assets

Fixed asset investments in quoted shares, traded bonds and similar investments are valued initially at cost and subsequently at fair value (their market values) at the year end.

Investment property

Investment property is valued initially at cost and subsequently at fair value as valued by the Council in accordance with their best judgement.

Incoming resources

Donations and grants are recognised when receivable, unless there are donor-imposed restrictions as to the timing of the related expenditure. In these circumstances, the income is recognised in the same period as the related expenditure.

Legacies are recognised when it becomes reasonably certain that the legacy will be received and any conditions associated with it have been fulfilled.

Deficits on restricted projects are borne ultimately by unrestricted funds. Surpluses on restricted projects that are not repayable are absorbed by management charges or are transferred to unrestricted funds.

Membership subscriptions are dealt with on a receipts basis. Gift aid is accrued for in the year of account.

NORTH WALES WILDLIFE TRUST
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Resources expended and basis of cost allocation

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and classified under appropriate cost categories. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of the resources in accordance with the best estimate of the Trustees.

- Costs of generating funds

Costs of generating funds comprise the costs associated with attracting voluntary income and the costs of trading for fundraising purposes including the charity's shops and kiosks.

- Charitable expenditure

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

- Allocation of costs

All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories of the SoFA on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource. Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly, others are allocated on an appropriate basis e.g. salary costs on the basis of time spent.

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow-moving items.

Pension costs

Contributions under the Trust's defined contribution scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities when paid.

The Trust participates in The Wildlife Trusts Pension Scheme (WTPS). WTPS is a multi-employer Scheme. It is not possible to identify the Trust's share of the underlying assets and liabilities. Accordingly, the defined benefit contributions have been charged to the Statement of Financial Activities when paid.

Irrecoverable VAT

Where relevant, costs include the portion of attributable VAT which is irrecoverable.

2 LEGAL STATUS OF THE TRUST

The Trust is a company limited by guarantee and has no share capital. The liability of each member in the event of winding up is limited to £1.

3 FUNDS OF THE CHARITY AND PRINCIPAL OBJECTIVES

The nature of various funds is indicated on the Statement of Financial Activities. The purpose of the funds is to meet the principal objectives of the Trust, these

- i) For the public benefit, to record, study and protect places and objects of ornithological, botanical and other scientific interest, or of natural beauty;
- ii) To establish, form, own, maintain and manage nature reserves for conservation, propagation and control of wild plants and creatures living naturally therein;
- iii) To promote and encourage study and research for the advancement of knowledge and natural sciences.

4 VOLUNTARY INCOME

	<i>Unrestricted funds £</i>	<i>Restricted funds £</i>	<i>Total 2019 £</i>	<i>Total 2018 £</i>
Donations	27,967	25,130	53,097	71,464
Legacies	7,357	45,315	52,672	100,396
Gift Aid	34,675	18	34,693	43,955
Membership income	137,831	4,100	141,931	136,537
	<u>207,830</u>	<u>74,563</u>	<u>282,393</u>	<u>352,352</u>

5 ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS

	<i>Unrestricted funds £</i>	<i>Restricted funds £</i>	<i>Total 2019 £</i>	<i>Total 2018 £</i>
Branch income	5,968	323	6,291	6,104
Fundraising	40	3,457	3,497	1,550
Appeals	735	7,000	7,735	20,793
Trading Activities	493,009	-	493,009	263,344
	<u>499,752</u>	<u>10,780</u>	<u>510,532</u>	<u>291,791</u>

NORTH WALES WILDLIFE TRUST
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Year ended 31 March 2019

6 TRADING ACTIVITIES OF SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES

The Trust has two wholly owned subsidiaries, NWWT Trading Ltd and Enfys Ecology Ltd, which are incorporated in England & Wales.

The principal activity of NWWT Trading Ltd is the running of a retail business through two outlets (Great Orme, Llandudno and Breakwater Park, Holyhead) and sales stalls at various events throughout North Wales.

The principal activity of Enfys Ecology Ltd is the provision of ecological consultancy services.

NWWT Trading Ltd and Enfys Ecology Ltd gift their taxable profits to the Trust. A summary of NWWT Trading Ltd's and Enfys Ecology Ltd's trading results are shown below. Audited accounts have been filed with the Registrar of Companies.

	<i>NWWT Trading Ltd</i>	<i>Enfys Ecology Ltd</i>
	£	£
TURNOVER	66,970	426,039
Total expenses	(46,959)	(345,339)
Interest receivable	-	-
Contribution to North Wales Wildlife Trust	-	-
Profit/(loss) for the year	(20,011)	(80,700)
	-	-

7 INVESTMENT INCOME

	<i>Unrestricted funds</i>	<i>Restricted funds</i>	<i>Total 2019</i>	<i>Total 2018</i>
	£	£	£	£
Interest on cash deposits	4,525	-	4,525	4,316
Rents receivable	31,449	9,185	40,634	29,922
	35,974	9,185	45,159	34,238

8 INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	<i>Unrestricted funds</i>	<i>Restricted funds</i>	<i>Total 2019</i>	<i>Total 2018</i>
	£	£	£	£
Grants	6,894	902,930	909,824	807,580
Other income	14,513	68,830	83,343	168,582
	21,407	971,760	993,167	976,162

9 FUNDRAISING COSTS OF GENERATING VOLUNTARY INCOME

	<i>Unrestricted funds</i>	<i>Restricted funds</i>	<i>Total 2019</i>	<i>Total 2018</i>
	£	£	£	£
Fundraising costs	3,560	332	3,892	6,237
Marketing	12,684	1,003	13,687	3,340
Membership costs	80,880	6,819	87,699	70,448
Trading costs	392,298	-	392,298	218,105
Consultancy costs	-	1,000	1,000	1,273
Expenditure on Pen Llyn buildings	-	-	-	31,139
	489,422	9,154	498,576	330,542

NORTH WALES WILDLIFE TRUST
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10 CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2019 £	Total 2018 £
(a) Conservation				
Contract labour	23,289	175,465	198,754	314,297
Equipment and materials	3,786	104,361	108,147	98,721
Sundry	115	3,437	3,552	999
Professional fees	799	2,001	2,800	5,688
Reserve rents	1,137	-	1,137	365
Staff costs	75,609	222,601	298,210	229,924
Training	432	8,342	8,774	3,452
Vehicle and travel	(1,471)	25,425	23,954	18,381
Allocated Support costs (Note 11)	-	19,647	19,647	24,165
Apportioned Support costs (Note 11)	54,234	159,672	213,906	127,244
Governance costs (Note 12)	1,242	3,655	4,897	6,152
	<u>159,172</u>	<u>724,606</u>	<u>883,778</u>	<u>829,388</u>
(b) Education				
Contract labour	1,558	64,409	65,967	28,105
Expenditure on buildings	-	-	-	217
Equipment and materials	196	56,306	56,502	18,414
Sundry	22	4,580	4,602	3,654
Grants awarded	-	5,948	5,948	4,521
Staff costs	2,459	222,735	225,194	201,652
Training	210	16,608	16,818	6,296
Vehicle and travel	(2,072)	24,385	22,313	18,444
Allocated Support costs (Note 11)	-	19,659	19,659	32,950
Apportioned Support costs (Note 11)	1,764	159,768	161,532	111,598
Governance costs (Note 12)	40	3,659	3,699	5,557
	<u>4,177</u>	<u>578,057</u>	<u>582,234</u>	<u>431,408</u>
TOTAL CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE	<u>163,349</u>	<u>1,302,663</u>	<u>1,466,012</u>	<u>1,260,796</u>

11 GENERAL SUPPORT COSTS

Bank charges	992	-	992	346
Books and subscriptions	614	461	1,075	700
Computer and office	13,238	4,793	18,031	11,582
Health and safety	1,205	159	1,364	1,326
Insurance	18,831	-	18,831	20,939
Office rents and utilities	95,309	971	96,280	46,933
Printing, postage, stationery	7,398	14	7,412	9,605
Staff costs	160,292	9,846	170,138	149,396
Subsistence	525	79	604	526
Telephone	8,872	1,539	10,411	11,514
Wildlife Trusts Wales	16,745	-	16,745	17,309
UK Partnership	6,061	225	6,286	5,877
Training	356	120	476	2,958
Vehicle and travel	6,882	102	6,984	5,158
Depreciation	-	11,620	11,620	7,520
Profit on sale of fixed assets	-	-	-	(1,200)
Bad debts and sundry debtor adjustments	(180)	-	(180)	(165)
Sundries	4,089	9,377	13,466	5,633
Disallowable VAT	34,209	-	34,209	-
	<u>375,438</u>	<u>39,306</u>	<u>414,744</u>	<u>295,957</u>
Reallocation of General Support Costs	<u>(375,438)</u>	<u>(39,306)</u>	<u>(414,744)</u>	<u>(295,957)</u>
	-	-	-	-

12 GOVERNANCE COSTS

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2019 £	Total 2018 £
Audit	4,885	-	4,885	5,820
Professional fees	203	-	203	746
Meetings	339	-	339	564
Staff costs	3,168	-	3,168	4,579
	<u>8,595</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,595</u>	<u>11,709</u>
Reallocation of Governance Costs	<u>(8,595)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(8,595)</u>	<u>(11,709)</u>
	-	-	-	-

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13 EMPLOYEE INFORMATION

	<i>Total 2019 £</i>	<i>Total 2018 £</i>
Wages and salaries	682,928	566,993
Social security costs	54,642	42,153
Other pension costs	38,026	30,126
	<u>775,596</u>	<u>639,272</u>

No employee is paid more than £60,000.

The average number of full-time equivalent group employees by function was:

	<i>2019 No</i>	<i>2018 No</i>
Charitable objectives and support	34	29
Governance	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
	<u>35</u>	<u>30</u>

14 NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES

Movements in resources are stated after charging:

	<i>2019 £</i>	<i>2018 £</i>
Depreciation of owned assets	11,620	7,520
Auditor's remuneration - audit work	4,885	5,000
Auditor's remuneration - non audit work	-	820
	<u>16,505</u>	<u>13,340</u>

15 CORPORATION TAX

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objectives.

16 MOVEMENT BETWEEN FUNDS

	<i>At 31/03/2018 £</i>	<i>Incoming Resources (Inc Gains) £</i>	<i>Outgoing Resources £</i>	<i>Contribution (to)/ from core funds £</i>	<i>At 31/03/2019 £</i>
Restricted funds					
Projects					
Cors Goch Section 15	3,588	5,460	(6,654)	(2,394)	-
Gwaith Powdwr S15	-	900	(1,032)	132	-
PPL- Tidal Energy North Wales- Stage 1	3,642	-	-	(150)	3,492
Welsh Wildlife Watch	-	9,000	(6,995)	(2,005)	-
Caernarfon Schools Learning outdoors project	-	1,500	(1,766)	266	-
Pollination	-	4,630	(3,958)	(301)	371
Esme Kirby Snowdonia Trust	5,846	11,500	(3,516)	(1,581)	12,249
Tescos Butterflies and Bee orchids at Rhiwledyn	730	-	(668)	(62)	-
Leonard Cheshire Llangollen	999	-	(894)	(105)	-
Gwaith Maes	4,419	-	-	-	4,419
Living Seas Wales HLF	-	226,416	(193,896)	(26,474)	6,046
N Wales Swifts	6,515	7,002	(9,999)	(751)	2,767
Bryn Pydew S106	10,244	-	(600)	(1,344)	8,300
Minera Safety Work	66,354	-	(55,923)	-	10,431
Lacey Memorial Fund	1,500	2,271	(134)	(2,137)	1,500
Local Wildlife Needs You	-	1,607	(1,393)	(214)	-
Cors Goch Christmas Challenge	17,551	1,851	(327)	-	19,075
Transforming Cors Goch Biffa	-	60,215	(63,603)	3,388	-
Viley Birdhide Spinnies	12,000	-	(2,550)	-	9,450
Tyfu Mon	3,329	-	(3,329)	-	-
Wildflower Society	250	-	(218)	(32)	-
Old Pulford Brook Meadow Fencing	-	-	4,065	-	4,065
Wild Community Connections	-	46,986	(63,903)	16,917	-
H Turner legacy	-	40,486	(293)	(3,748)	36,445
Rhiwledyn Wales Coast Path Improvements	-	9,000	(9,000)	-	-
Village Bakery Contract	-	5,025	(1,001)	-	4,024
Osprey appeal	-	5,186	(40)	-	5,146

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Morfa Bychan Greenacres	-	11,625	(6,421)	(5,204)	-
Mariandryrys Section 15	-	18	-	(18)	-
y Graig	5,715	290	(1,075)	-	4,930
Hanson (Aberduna)	-	4,465	(3,931)	(534)	-
Bryn Pydew S15	-	1,220	(1,152)	(68)	-
Gogarth S15	-	900	(810)	(90)	-
Cors Bodgynydd S15	-	1,160	(1,073)	(87)	-
Morfa Bychan S15	-	1,453	(1,454)	1	-
Greenacres S15	-	1,130	(417)	(713)	-
Marford S 15	-	4,683	(3,700)	(983)	-
Tarmac Coed y Felin	-	2,194	(2,433)	239	-
HPA Plan Marine Awareness	4,198	-	-	-	4,198
Community & Education NW	917	1,140	(9,062)	7,005	-
Anglesey Grazing Animals Project	15,741	-	(828)	(14,913)	-
Donation to support AGAP	4,000	-	-	(4,000)	-
Underwater Wales	3,793	75	(1,714)	(2,154)	-
M Edwards Legacy	21,925	323	(2,664)	(4,389)	15,195
Rhiwledyn Section 15	-	740	(727)	(13)	-
3 Cornered Meadow Section 15	4,065	-	(4,065)	-	-
Beaver Project	409	2,000	(2,504)	95	-
Blaen y Weirglodd S15	-	100	(757)	657	-
Maes Hiraddug S15	-	9,418	(8,956)	(462)	-
Anglesey AONB SDF	-	7,213	(16,305)	9,092	-
Caeau Tan y Bwlch S15	-	1,660	(1,726)	66	-
Borras Bog	-	-	(516)	516	-
Cemlyn Wardens & Roseate Tern Life Project	11,518	11,336	(22,854)	-	-
North East Wildlife gardening	2,076	1,413	(13,061)	9,572	-
Big Pool Wood S15	464	1,175	(812)	(700)	127
GML FBT	-	9,167	(972)	(8,195)	-
Eithinog S15	641	2,648	(3,905)	616	-
Eithinog Appeal	-	-	(127)	127	-
Better Verges	711	150	(1,382)	521	-
Dee INNS	17,555	125,864	(126,476)	(11,239)	5,704
Gors Maen Llywd	2,210	-	-	-	2,210
Minera Appeal	49,197	2,809	(10,160)	(3,278)	38,568
Lesser Horseshoe bat roost GP	-	-	-	-	-
Gwaith Powdwr Misc	-	2,600	(1,308)	(1,292)	-
Denbigh Living Churchyards	-	870	(1,311)	441	-
Coed Ty Uchaf appeal	606	-	(365)	-	241
Wrexham IE Living Landscapes Project	-	77,122	(75,368)	(1,754)	-
OPAL project	861	-	(1,980)	1,119	-
Marford	1,339	-	-	-	1,339
Alun & Chwiler Living Landscapes	20,018	39,285	(33,612)	(6,810)	18,881
SITA lesser horseshoe bat roost	-	-	-	-	-
Wylfa PPL	10,741	37,850	(14,394)	(2,020)	32,177
Commercial and non-SMS Wrexham IE Living Lands	-	12,352	(4,245)	(3,556)	4,551
Airbus Discover Wildlife	-	5,000	(2,787)	(2,213)	-
Rhyl Wildlife Heroes	(94)	-	-	94	-
Anglesey Fens Living Landscapes	17,342	19,867	(31,141)	17,176	23,244
Our Wild Coast	6,227	168,313	(120,904)	(50,816)	2,820
Yellowhammer	8,686	-	-	(2,000)	6,686
Our Wild Coast Capital Grant	30,078	-	(7,519)	-	22,559
Dee INNS Project Non-SMS money	-	40,485	(247)	(6,000)	34,238
HLF Living Sea Capital	-	12,300	(4,100)	-	8,200
Morgan Parry appeal	2,380	4,840	(6,116)	-	1,104
	380,286	1,066,288	(985,063)	(106,759)	354,752
Land purchase					
Rhuddlan Fawr, Cors Goch	192,933	-	-	-	192,933
Reallocated Support and Governance Costs	-	-	(326,754)	326,754	-
Total restricted funds	573,219	1,066,288	(1,311,817)	219,995	547,685
Unrestricted funds before revaluation of investment property	1,023,756	764,963	(652,771)	(219,995)	915,952
Total funds	1,596,975	1,831,251	(1,964,588)	-	1,463,637

The purposes of individual funds are detailed in note 27 of the accounts.

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Contribution (to)/from core funds

A credit (negative) balance against each project comprises a surplus of incoming resources representing a contribution allowed by the grantor to the Trust's support and governance costs specific to that project.

A debit (positive) balance indicates that the project costs exceeded incoming resources, requiring a transfer from core funds to cover the excess. No contribution to support and governance costs can be made regardless of attribution thereto by the grantor.

The balance of £219,991 reallocation to support and governance costs, has been made to meet the requirements of SORP2015 (FRS102). The Trustees do not consider that it is practicable to attempt to reallocate these costs individually to each project. Every project demands a varying amount of management involvement, to calculate the value of which would require undue effort.

Unrestricted fund balance after revaluation of investment property

The balance of the unrestricted fund before the revaluation of the fixed asset investment property was £915,954, after the gain on revaluation in the year for the property of £96,235 the balance on the unrestricted fund is £1,012,189.

17 RESULTS OF PARENT COMPANY

As permitted by section 408 of the Companies Act 2006, the Statement of Financial Activities of the parent company, is not presented as part of these accounts. The parent company's net movement of resources for the financial year amounted to a deficit of £37,103 (2018 a surplus of £63,204).

18 HERITAGE ASSETS

Group & Company	Nature Reserves £
COST	
At 1 April 2018	582,870
Additions	72,665
Reclassification to Fixed Asset Investment Property	(73,765)
At 31 March 2019	<u>581,770</u>
ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION	
At 1 April 2018	-
Charge for year	-
At 31 March 2019	<u>-</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 March 2018	<u>582,870</u>
At 31 March 2019	<u>581,770</u>

These comprise nature reserves, buildings and related improvements, which are held under a policy of long-term retention as part of the Trust's objects. The following reserves are owned, leased and managed by the Trust.

RESERVE OWNED	Nature Reserve	County	GRID REF.	TOTAL AREA (Ha)
Big Pool Wood	W,T	Flintshire	SJ 102 841	4.05
Blaen y Weirglodd	W,B	Conwy	SH 914 633	4.21
Caeau Pen y Clip	W,G	Ynys Mon	SH 555 728	3.16
Coed Cilygroeslwyd	W,G	Denbighshire	SJ 124 556	4.02
Coed Crafnant	W,G,B	Gwynedd	SH 619 289	47.49
Cors Goch (incl Penllyn Farmhouse)	W,G,T,H,B,O	Ynys Mon	SH 503 817	95.07
Cors y Sarnau	W,B,O	Gwynedd	SH 967 386	29.10
Eithinog	G	Gwynedd	SH 564 714	10.90
Gors Maen Llwyd	W,H	Denbighshire	SH 975 580	273.36
Graig Wyllt	W, G, R	Denbighshire	SJ 147549	7.00
Gwaith Powdwr	W,H	Gwynedd	SH 620 390	24.17
Maes Hiraddug	T	Denbighshire	SJ 061 794	2.03
Marford Quarry	W,G	Wrexham	SJ 357 560	15.30
Minera Quarry	W,G	Wrexham	SJ 251 520	49.70
Morfa Bychan	W,C	Gwynedd	SH 548 368	17.80
Pisgah Quarry	W,G	Wrexham	SJ 268 411	1.60
Porth Diana	G,H	Ynys Mon	SH 255 781	2.14
Rhiwledyn	W,G	Conwy	SH 813 821	4.90
Y Ddôl Uchaf	W,G,T	Flintshire	SJ 142 713	3.95
Y Graig	W,G	Denbighshire	SJ 086 721	8.58
				<u>608.53</u>

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RESERVE	Nature Reserve	County	GRID REF.	TOTAL AREA (Ha)
LEASED				
Aberduna	W,G	Denbighshire	SJ 198 613	14.00
Bryn Pydew	W,G,R	Conwy	SH 818 798	5.53
Caeau Tan y Bwlch	W,G,B	Gwynedd	SH 431 488	6.40
Cemlyn	W,G,O,C	Ynys Mon	SH 337 932	25.00
Coed Trellyniau	W	Flintshire	SJ 181 692	3.70
Coed y Felin	W,G,B	Flintshire	SJ 192 677	10.74
Gogarth	W,G,C	Gwynedd	SH 761 830	7.60
Mariandyrys	W,G,T,H	Ynys Mon	SH 603 811	10.70
Nantporth	W	Gwynedd	SH 566 721	5.42
Spinnies, Aberogwen	W,G,T,O	Gwynedd	SH 613 721	3.80
Three Cornered Meadow	G	Wrexham	SJ 402 581	5.40
				98.29
UNDER MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT				
Abercorris	W	Gwynedd	SH 749 085	1.08
Coed Porthamel	W,T	Ynys Mon	SH 508 678	2.64
Cors Bodgynydd	B,O	Conwy	SH 767 597	22.15
Greenacres, Morfa Bychan	C	Gwynedd	SH 535 373	13.80
Traeth Glaslyn	W,G,T,B,O	Gwynedd	SH 592 385	36.10
				75.77
			TOTAL	782.59

Key to nature reserves

W = woodland, G = Grassland, T = Tall Herbs, H = Heathland, B = bogs, mires and fen, O = open water, C = coastal (incl dunes), R = bare rock

19 OTHER TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Plant and Machinery
Group Company

Cost:

At 1 April 2018	179,853	170,103
Additions	27,994	12,301
Disposals	-	-
At 31 March 2019	207,847	182,404

Depreciation:

At 1 April 2018	(149,775)	(140,025)
Provision for the year	(12,484)	(11,620)
Adjustments for disposals	-	-
At 31 March 2019	(162,259)	(151,645)

Net book value:

At 31 March 2018	30,078	30,078
At 31 March 2019	45,588	30,759

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20 FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

(a) Group

2019 £	2018 £
-	-
-	-

(b) Company

Subsidiary undertakings - at cost

2019 £	2018 £
50,200	30,200
50,200	30,200

21 FIXED ASSET INVESTMENT PROPERTY

(a) Group

Investment property at revaluation

2019 £	2018 £
170,000	-
170,000	-

(b) Company

Investment property at revaluation

2019 £	2018 £
170,000	-
170,000	-

During the year the property at Pen y Llyn was transferred from Heritage Assets to Fixed Asset Investment Property as the Trust is now holding the property to generate rental income to provide income to support the Nature Reserves. Costs of £73,765 were transferred from Heritage Assets - these represent the original purchase cost attributed to the property and improvement costs during the period.

At 31 March 2019, the trustees valued the property at £170,000 based upon multiples of annual rental income in accordance with their best judgements.

22 STOCK -Group

	2019 Group £	2019 Company £	2018 Group £	2018 Company £
Fundraising Stock for resale	19,106	-	18,900	-
	19,106	-	18,900	-

23 DEBTORS

	2019 Group £	2019 Company £	2018 Group £	2018 Company £
Trade Debtors, Grants Receivable and Accrued Income	388,698	222,413	314,828	273,844
Prepayments	835	835	32,532	32,532
Other debtors	2,445	2,443	2,914	2,914
Amounts owing from group undertakings	-	106,782	-	40,410
	391,978	332,473	350,274	349,700

24 CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2019 Group £	2019 Company £	2018 Group £	2018 Company £
Trade creditors	85,576	74,655	146,634	138,785
Other taxes and social security	54,680	59	28,485	18,099
Accruals	147,218	6,031	13,428	8,711
Deferred income	1,080	1,080	20,511	20,511
	288,554	81,825	209,058	186,106

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25 ANALYSIS OF MOVEMENT ON RESERVES

(a) Group

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
At 1 April 2018	1,023,756	573,219	1,596,975
Net movement in year	(11,568)	(25,534)	(37,102)
At 31 March 2019	1,012,188	547,685	1,559,873

(b) Company

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
At 1 April 2018	1,018,031	573,219	1,591,250
Net movement in year	(11,567)	(25,534)	(37,101)
Outgoing resources	-	-	-
At 31 March 2019	1,006,464	547,685	1,554,149

26 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

(a) Group

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £
Fixed Assets	604,425	192,933	797,358
Net current assets	407,763	354,752	762,515
	1,012,188	547,685	1,559,873

(b) Company

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £
Fixed Assets	639,796	192,933	832,729
Net current assets	366,668	354,752	721,420
	1,006,464	547,685	1,554,149

27 RESTRICTED FUNDS

Balance as at:

31.03.2019

£

Projects

Cors Goch Section 15	-	Grant from Natural Resources Wales (NRW) to manage SSSI
Gwaith Powdwr S15	-	Grant from Natural Resources Wales (NRW) to manage SSSI
PPL- Tidal Energy North Wales- Stage 1	3,492	Grant from the players of People's Postcode to respond to tidal energy proposals
Welsh Wildlife Watch	-	Production of Gwyllt children's wildlife magazine
Caernarfon Schools Learning outdoors project	-	Wildlife Garden creation project with Tesco Bag Levy Funding
Polli:nation	371	School garden creation project with Learning Through Landscapes
Esme Kirby Snowdonia Trust	12,249	Funds donated by EKST to carry out wildlife conservation projects in Snowdonia
Tescos Butterflies and Bee orchids at Rhiwledyn	-	Bag levy funding for management work at Rhiwledyn
Leonard Cheshire Llangollen	-	Improving Leonard Cheshire Disability Trust Grounds with Keep Wales Tidy
Gwaith Maes	4,419	Promoting ecological fieldwork through the medium of Welsh
Living Seas Wales HLF	6,046	A Wales-wide marine awareness project in partnership with Wildlife Trust S & W Wales
		Swift conservation & public awareness funded by Prince of Wales' Charitable
N Wales Swifts	2,767	Foundation
Bryn Pydew S106	8,300	Compensation for a development in Conwy
Minera Safety Work	10,431	Funds from Tarmac to enable safety works
Lacey Memorial Fund	1,500	Donation to fund costs for an annual lecture in memory of Professor Lacey
		Funding to enable school outdoor education as part of Outdoor Learning Wales Network
Local Wildlife Needs You	-	
Cors Goch Christmas Challenge	19,075	Public appeal to raise funds for Transforming Cors Goch National Nature Reserve

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Transforming Cors Goch Biffa	-	<i>Biffa Landfill Tax Funds for Transforming Cors Goch National Nature Reserve</i>
Viley Birdhide Spinnies	9,450	<i>Donation for the building of a bird-hide at The Spinnies, Aberogwen</i>
Tyfu Mon	-	<i>Wildflower youth-led engagement project with Grow Wild Wales</i>
Wildflower Society	-	<i>Grant to support botanical training and plant conservation</i>
Old Pulford Brook Meadow Fencing	4,065	<i>Agrant from the Esme Fairburn via the UK Flood Meadows Partnership</i>
Wild Community Connections	-	<i>Funding from Natural Resources Wales to grow community engagement on pilot nature</i>
H Turner legacy	36,445	<i>Legacy from Hilda Turner for Marford Quarry and other projects in the area</i>
Rhiwledyn Wales Coast Path Improvements	-	<i>Funds from Conwy Council</i>
Village Bakery Contract	4,024	<i>Income for land management on Wrexham Industrial Estate</i>
Osprey appeal	5,146	<i>Public appeal to raise funds to support engagement with breeding Ospreys at Llyn Brenig</i>
Morfa Bychan Greenacres	-	<i>Contract with Bourne Leisure to manage Morfa Bychan SSSI</i>
Mariandrys Section 15	-	<i>Grant from Natural Resources Wales (NRW) to manage SSSI</i>
y Graig	4,930	<i>Transfer of an endowment to restricted fund for management of Y Graig</i>
Hanson (Aberduna)	-	<i>Corporate support to manage Aberduna Nature Reserve</i>
Bryn Pydew S15	-	<i>Grant from Natural Resources Wales (NRW) to manage SSSI</i>
Gogarth S15	-	<i>Grant from Natural Resources Wales (NRW) to manage SSSI</i>
Cors Bodgynydd S15	-	<i>Grant from Natural Resources Wales (NRW) to manage SSSI</i>
Morfa Bychan S15	-	<i>Grant from Natural Resources Wales (NRW) to manage SSSI</i>
Greenacres S15	-	<i>Grant from Natural Resources Wales (NRW) to manage SSSI</i>
Marford S 15	-	<i>Grant from Natural Resources Wales (NRW) to manage SSSI</i>
Tarmac Coed y Felin	-	<i>Funding from Tarmac for mangement of Coed y Felin</i>
HPA Plan Marine Awareness	4,198	<i>Funds to monitor Harbour Porpoise in NW Wales</i>
Community & Education NW	-	<i>Fund for education and community work in NW Wales</i>
Anglesey Grazing Animals Project	-	<i>Partnership project to restore wildlife conservation land through grazing</i>
Donation to support AGAP	-	<i>Anonymous donation to support Anglesey Grazing Animals Project</i>
Underwater Wales	-	<i>Funded by Natural Resources Wales & players of Peoples Postcode Lottery for raising marine awareness</i>
M Edwards Legacy	15,195	<i>Fund to acquire and manage land for the protection of wildlife on Anglesey</i>
Rhiwledyn Section 15	-	<i>Grant from Natural Resources Wales (NRW) to manage SSSI</i>
3 Cornered Meadow Section 15	-	<i>Grant from Natural Resources Wales (NRW) to manage SSSI</i>
Beaver Project	-	<i>Fund for the re-introduction of beavers to Wales</i>
Blaen y Weirglodd S15	-	<i>Grant from Natural Resources Wales (NRW) to manage SSSI</i>
Maes Hiraddug S15	-	<i>Grant from Natural Resources Wales (NRW) to manage SSSI</i>
Anglesey AONB SDF	-	<i>Sustainable Development Funds for people and wildlife</i>
Caeau Tan y Bwlch S15	-	<i>Grant from Natural Resources Wales (NRW) to manage SSSI</i>
Borras Bog	-	<i>Contract with Tarmac to manage land</i>
Cemlyn Wardens & Roseate Tern Life Project	-	<i>Funded by European LIFE grant and donations from the family of Colin Harrington</i>
North East Wildlife gardening	-	<i>Fund for education and community work in NE Wales</i>
Big Pool Wood S15	127	<i>Grant from Natural Resources Wales (NRW) to manage SSSI</i>
GML FBT	-	<i>Income from Farm Business Tenancy at Gors Maen Llwyd</i>
Eithinog S15	-	<i>Grant from Natural Resources Wales (NRW) to manage SSSI</i>
Eithinog Appeal	-	<i>Funds raised to support management of Eithinog</i>
Better Verges	-	<i>Funds to manage road verges on Anglesey</i>
Dee INNS	5,704	<i>Grants to control invasive species on the River Dee</i>
Gors Maen Llwyd	2,210	<i>Funds to be used for development of buiding at Gors Maen Llwyd</i>
Minera Appeal	38,568	<i>Funds raised to support the management of Minera Quarry nature reserve</i>
Gwaith Powdwr Misc	-	<i>Donation to support work at Gwaith Powder</i>
Denbigh Living Churchyards	-	<i>Grant from Cadwyn Clwyd for wildlife friendly churchyards</i>
Coed Ty Uchaf appeal	241	<i>Funds raised to support restoration of Coed Ty Uchaf to wetland at Cors y Sarnau</i>
Wrexham IE Living Landscapes Project	-	<i>Manweb funding for habitat enhancement at Wrexham Industrial Estate</i>
OPAL project	-	<i>Big Lottery funded project to engage young people in wildlife conservation</i>
Marford	1,339	<i>Grant from Natural Resources Wales (NRW) to manage SSSI</i>
Alun & Chwiler Living Landscapes	18,881	<i>Funds to manage a conservation area by a housing estate</i>
SITA lesser horseshoe bat roost	-	<i>Landfill funds for bat roost improvements at Gwaith Powder</i>
Wylfa PPL	32,177	<i>Funds from players of Peoples Postcode Lottery to respond to Wylfa Pwer Station</i>

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Commercial and non-SMS Wrexham IE Living Lands	4,551	Income from businesses on Wrexham Industrial Estate
Airbus Discover Wildlife	-	People and wildlife engagement projects funded by Airbus
Rhyl Wildlife Heroes	-	Co-operative funding for a community project at Glan Morfa, Rhyl
Anglesey Fens Living Landscapes	23,244	Funds for Anglesey Fens
Our Wild Coast	2,820	Big Lottery funded project to engage young people in wildlife conservation
Yellowhammer	6,686	Funds to improve habitats on Anglesey for Yellowhammer
Our Wild Coast Capital Grant	22,559	Vehicles purchase for Our Wild Coast project
Dee INNS Project Non-SMS money	34,238	Income to Dee INNS work
		Funds from National Lottery Heritage Fund for capital spend as part of Living Seas Wales project.
HLF Living Sea Capital	8,200	
Morgan Parry appeal	1,104	
	354,752	
Land purchased	192,933	Rhuddlan Fawr, Cors Goch purchased year ended 31 March 2008.
Total restricted funds	547,685	

Unrestricted funds

At March 2019, these totalled £1,012,188 and are expendable at the discretion of the Trustees in the furtherance of the Trust's objects.

28 LEASING COMMITMENTS

(a) Lease commitments - operating leases

Commitments - 1 to 5 years - £28,500 per annum

(b) Pension contributions

During the year the Trust contributed £38,026 (2018 - £30,126) to the defined contributions pension scheme.

29 RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2019		2018	
	£ Group	£ Charity	£ Group	£ Charity
Net movement in funds	(37,102)	(37,103)	63,205	63,205
Depreciation	12,484	11,620	7,948	7,520
(Gains)/losses on investments	(96,235)	(96,235)	-	-
Dividends, interest and rents from investments	(45,159)	(45,159)	(34,238)	(34,238)
Renovation of Heritage Asset	(72,665)	(72,665)	-	-
Purchase of fixed assets	(27,994)	(12,300)	-	-
(Increase)/decrease in stock	(206)	-	2,834	5,000
(Increase)/Decrease in debtors	(41,704)	17,228	(135,715)	(105,702)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	79,496	(104,281)	96,893	108,161
Net cash inflow from operating activity	(229,085)	(338,895)	927	43,946

30 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Trustees do not receive remuneration in relation to their responsibilities as Trustees. However they are reimbursed for expenses incurred on behalf of the Trust and subsidiary companies.

The following related party transactions occurred during the year:

The Trust charges its subsidiary companies for occupancy, administration, salary recharge and other costs incurred by the Trust on their behalf. During the year, such costs for NWWT Trading Limited and Enfy Ecology Limited were £1,800 and £12,864 respectively.

During the year Enfy Ecology Limited charged the Trust £13,688 with regard to work done on projects directly attributable to the Trust.

During the year, the Trust received from NWWT Trading Limited £20,011 for amounts gifted to the Trust. At the balance sheet date an amount of £20,115 was owing to the Trust, representing a further payment to be made within the gift aid regulations.

During the year, the Trust received from Enfy Ecology Limited £80,700 for amounts gifted to the Trust. At the balance sheet date an amount of £86,667 was owing to the Trust, representing a further payment to be made within the gift aid regulations and outstanding amount for costs incurred by the Trust on Enfy's behalf.

