



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/directors/ members of

British Institute for Geological Conservation Ltd

On accounts for the year ended

April 2022

Charity no.:

1016312

Company no.:

02775501

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I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 3 / 04 / 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the **charity's** trustees of the Company (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law), you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the **Companies Act 2006 ("the 2006 Act")**.

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited for this year under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your **charity's accounts as carried out** under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ("**the 2011 Act**"). **In carrying out my examination, I have** followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that:

- **accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006;** or
- **the** accounts do not accord with such records; or
- **the accounts do** not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 other than any requirement that the **accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered** as part of an independent examination; or
- **the accounts** have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

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

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed: Date:

Name:

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

Address:

Section B Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

BALANCE SHEET FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 3RD 2022

ASSETS

	Current year	Previous year
A. Called up share capital not paid	NIL	NIL
B. Fixed Assets		
Land	£45,000.00	£45,000.00
Library	£1,000.00	£1,000.00
C. Current Assets		
Stocks	NIL	NIL
Debtors	NIL	NIL
Investments	NIL	NIL
Cash in Bank	<u>£158,489.91</u>	£104,132.71
D. Prepayments and accrued income	NIL	NIL
TOTAL	<u>£204,489.91</u>	<u>£150,132.71</u>

LIABILITIES

A. Capital and Reserves	£204,489.91	£150,132.71
B. Provisions for liabilities and charges	NIL	NIL
C. Creditors	NIL	NIL
D. Accruals and deferred income	NIL	NIL
TOTAL	<u>£204,489.91</u>	<u>£150,132.71</u>

Notes

- For the year ending 3 April 2022 the company was entitled to exemption under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.
- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.
- The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the micro-entity provisions and delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

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All project activity and expenditure during this financial period has involved the design and installation of the interpretation boards at the Capel Horeb SSSI, and the development and delivery of the Merthyr's Roots Project. The income for the latter project was to cover work to be done both in the reporting year and in 2022–2023. This explains the unusually (for us) high balances in our bank accounts at the end of the reporting year; this cash holding is committed for planned expenditure on the project in the next year.

Capel Horeb

The interpretation boards at Capel Horeb were developed based on information provided by members of BIGC, and have now been installed at the site. The design and installation costs were covered by a grant from the Curry Fund of the Geologists' Association.

Merthyr's Roots Evolution Garden and Learning Hub

This is being developed at Cyfarthfa Greenhouses in Merthyr Tydfil. The project is a geology, landscape and environment project that aims to educate and engage the communities of Merthyr in the appreciation and management of its natural assets and special local places. The projects tackle and promote global environmental issues as well as national wellbeing initiatives and local environmental, heritage and community policy & agendas. The project is the latest phase of BIGCs Coalfield Geo-heritage Initiative.

From April 2021- October 2021, the project was based in a building that is run as a Social Services & Welfare centre, and so was under strict Covid secure measures. This limited events and activities that could take place due in part to the presence of clients categorised as vulnerable.

From October 2021 the project was approved as a Community Renewal Fund project as part of the Governments Levelling-up agenda. A ministerial visit from Michael Gove launched the project in November and following this launch the project has been incredibly busy with a wide range of community groups, schools, specialist interest groups and stakeholder organisations taking part in the project. Between November 2021 and April 2022, the project ran 37 events and activities, and saw over 1,200 people as part of project delivery.

Funding has been spent on the maintenance of the existing garden, and improving and renewing components of the garden and greenhouse complex that required updating. and has used some of the funding to employ three members of the community with special needs and learning disabilities. BIGC used a specialist recruitment agency Elite, to appoint staff, evaluate performance and suitability for the project. Elite also dealt with payroll and other necessary employment requirements. The majority of expenditure has been on materials and educational resources which have been used to deliver innovative educational sessions. BIGC has retained the services of project manager Ben Evans