GRSG Trustees Annual Report for 2025

This Annual report for the Grasmere Red Squirrel Group, Charity number 1197379, for the 2025 calendar year.

Our primary objective is to save the indigenous red squirrels in our area from extinction. The main threat is from grey squirrels entering our area and passing on squirrelpox to the reds which results in their death. The only way the reds can be protected is by eliminating grey squirrels using humane control methods. This work is carried out by two part time Rangers and volunteers.

Our annual population survey showed that the red population had increased to 51 from 43 in 2024. 10% fewer greys entering our area in 2025, compared to 2024.

We work closely with the National Trust at a local level, and they provided our largest source of income. We received donations from individual residents and visitors, as well as local businesses and events held in the village. The Trustees are grateful to everyone who has contributed funding.

We have continued with our educational work, distributing our leaflets about Red squirrels and the threat posed by grey squirrels to the public at the National Trust property in Grasmere, Allan Bank, local hotels and events. We publicise news of our reds and developments in squirrel management on our Facebook Page @GrasmereReds, present talks to local societies and the children at the local Primary School about red squirrel physiology and behaviour and grey squirrel management.

We report squirrel statistics to Red Squirrels Northern England. The group is a member of Northern Red Squirrels and we share best practice with them. One of our Trustees carried out surveys for RSNE's annual squirrel monitoring programme and has continued working with UK Squirrel Accord on development of a delivery system for bait which will include a contraceptive for grey squirrels.

To communicate with our supporters, we used our Facebook page, Twitter, Instagram, the Parish Magazine and send out newsletters via email with detailed information about the squirrels in Grasmere.

It is very satisfying that so many members of the public have been delighted to see their first red squirrel and we continue our efforts to ensure that future generations will be able to see them here in Grasmere.

The Trustees would like to thank our rangers and volunteers for carrying out the work, landowners for their cooperation and the local community for their support and encouragement. All Trustees give their time voluntarily and received no payment or other benefits for their role as trustees.

The trust made a financial gain of £5681 in 2025. A payment of £2000 was received in January 2025 instead of December 2024, so the adjusted gain on 2025 operations was £3681.

Approved by the Trustees on 18th September 2026 and signed on their behalf by Stewart Sutcliffe, Chair of Trustees.

Stewart Sutcliffe 18/9/26

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CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Grasmere Red Squirrel Group	1197379

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01/01/2025	To	31/12/2025

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	£	£	£	£	£
A1 Receipts					
Donations and legacies	17,519	-	-	17,519	10,961
Grants		-	-	-	
Services	10,000	-	-	10,000	6,000
Interest	710	-	-	710	694
	-	-	-	-	-
***Sub total** (Gross income for AR)*	28,228	-	-	28,228	17,655
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	28,228	-	-	28,228	17,655
A3 Payments					
Rangers	20,106	-	-	20,106	19,746
Other: food, equipment, insurance	2,442	-	-	2,442	1,207
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	22,548	-	-	22,548	20,953
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	22,548	-	-	22,548	20,953
Net of receipts/(payments)	5,681	-	-	5,681	- 3,298
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	17,508	-	-	17,508	20,805
Cash funds this year end	23,189	-	-	23,189	17,507

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

B1 Cash funds

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	Cumberland BS Current	410	-	-
	Cumberland BS 30 Day Account	22,316	-	-
	Nat West Current	463	-	-
	Total cash funds (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	23,189	-	-

B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
Stewart Sutcliffe	Stewart Sutcliffe	30/6/26
S Dixon	Samantha Dixon	30/6/26

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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A **Independent Examiner's Report**

Report to the trustees/ members of	Grasmere Red Squirrel Group		
On accounts for the year ended	31st December 2025	**Charity no (if any)**	1197379
Set out on pages	1 - 2		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 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 *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn 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:	A.E. Willey	**Date:**	31-8-26
Name:	Anthony Edward Willey		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	F.C.A.		

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Section B Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.