CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

**From 01/01/2025 to 31/12/2025**

**Charity name: Derbyshire Swift Conservation**

**Charity registration number: 1206439**

## Objectives and Activities

| | SORP reference | |
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| Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document | Para 1.17 | To promote for the benefit of the public the conservation of the Common Swift (Apus apus) in Derbyshire by raising general awareness of the declining status of this species, identifying and protecting existing nest sites and by encouraging the provision of additional nest sites across the county |
| Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts. | Para 1.17 and 1.19 | **Raising general awareness of the declining status of this species**: talks, events, social media, website<br>**Identifying existing nest sites**: extensive surveying in breeding season<br>**Protecting existing nest sites:** raising awareness, establishing links with landlords, community housing associations, residents<br>**Encouraging the provision of supplementary nest sites across the county:**<br>-facilitating the installation of swift nest boxes by means of raising awareness, provision of advice on location & box type, financial incentives (i.e. providing subsidies to those buying boxes) and the provision of professional installation<br>-lobbying for the routine installation of Swift breeding bricks into new housing developments across the county by reviewing planning applications, engaging with planning authorities and biodiversity officers to insist on Swift bricks being a condition of planning approval |
| Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit | Para 1.18 | As set out by the Charity Commission (Guidance on Public Benefit in respect of the public benefit requirement in running a charity and its reporting), the Trustees consider that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the Commission's public benefit guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant. |

**Additional information (optional)**
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

| | SORP reference | |
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| Policy on grant making | Para 1.38 | N/A |
| Policy on social investment including program related investment | Para 1.38 | N/A |
| Contribution made by volunteers | Para 1.38 | A substantial proportion of our activities in 2025 were conducted by volunteers, whether trustees of the CIO or not |
| Other | | |

## Achievements and Performance

| | SORP reference | |
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| Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole. | Para 1.20 | **Raising general awareness of the declining status of this species:**<br>- we continued our promotional activities via display stands, Swift walks and talks to local conservation and community groups<br>**Heritage Lottery Derbyshire Dales Swift Project:**<br>- recruited a Project Coordinator, Project Administrator and a Community Engagement and Communications Officer<br>- initiated the creation of a "back office" function with a new website, contacts database and policies<br>**Protecting existing nest sites:**<br>- we continued surveying nest sites, ensuring records were logged and recorded to ensure the protection of Swift nests<br>**Encouraging the provision of additional nest sites across the county:**<br>- we installed over 100 Swift nest boxes across the county on private homes, schools and churches<br>- continued lobbying of the 10 planning authorities in the county resulted in over 1000 Swift bricks being conditioned on new developments |

**Additional information (optional)**
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| Achievements against objectives set | Para 1.41 | N/A |
| Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set | Para 1.41 | N/A |

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| Investment performance against objectives | Para 1.41 | N/A |
| Other | | We are founder members of the Swifts Local Network Swifts & Planning Group; this was set up to establish optimal methods of interacting with local planning authorities. The Swifts Local Network is a national informal network of over 100 Swift groups located across the UK.<br>In 2025 we attended, and presented at, the biannual Swifts Local Network UK Swift Conference held in Lancaster |

## Financial Review

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| Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period | Para 1.21 | The charity drew down on 50% of the grant from TNLHF and have been managing costs well to the extent that there remains a positive balance. The largest component of the funding is for the provision and installation of boxes across the District. There is still a substantial amount of work to be done here. |
| Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held | Para 1.22 | No reserves are being held. N/A |
| Amount of reserves held | Para 1.22 | Nil |
| Reasons for holding zero reserves | Para 1.22 | There are no identified risks that are foreseen that would require reserves to be held. |
| Details of fund materially in deficit | Para 1.24 | Nil |
| Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern | Para 1.23 | No concerns at all. |

**Additional information (optional)**
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising) | Para 1.47 | A substantial grant was received from the Heritage Lottery Fund at the end of 2024 and this comprised over 95% of all our funding for the year |
| Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted | Para 1.46 | N/A |
| A description of the principal risks facing the charity | Para 1.46 | The 3 biggest risks to maintaining meaningful conservation activities are factors which may impact the (in decreasing order of potential impact):<br>1. continued availability of motivated and informed volunteers across the region<br>2. continued availability of competent staff and trustees<br>3. availability of funding for box installation schemes |
| Other | | |

## Structure, Governance and Management

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| Description of charity's trusts: | | |
| Type of governing document | Para 1.25 | Constitution |
| How is the charity constituted? | Para 1.25 | Charitable Incorporated Organisation |
| Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees | Para 1.25 | Appointed by existing trustees |

**Additional information (optional)**
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees | Para 1.51 | Financial Policy, Procurement Policy, Safeguarding Policy, Health and Safety Policy are all available in shared drive for easy access. Discussed in Trustee's meetings. No formal training given. |
| The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works | Para 1.51 | N/A |
| Relationship with any related parties | Para 1.51 | The awarding of a large grant from The National Lottery Heritage Fund, in partnership with Breedon |
| Other | | |

## Reference and Administrative details

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| Charity name | Derbyshire Swift Conservation |
| Other name the charity uses | N/A |
| Registered charity number | 1206439 |
| Charity's principal address | (current address, not that used to register the CIO in 2024)<br>5 Marsden Close<br>Duffield, Belper<br>DE56 4DB |
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**Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

| | Trustee name | Office (if any) | Dates acted if not for whole year | Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Andy Broadhurst | Chair | Complete year | |
| 2 | Nick Brown | | Complete year (resigned 31 March 2026) | |
| 3 | Mick Hardwick | Treasurer | Complete year | |
| 4 | Carol Collins | | 14 December 2025 onwards | |
| 5 | Matthew Dale | | 21 August 2025 onwards | |
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

| Director name | | |
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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

| Trustee name | Dates acted if not for whole year | |
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## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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| Description of the assets held in this capacity | N/A |
| Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects | N/A |
| Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets | N/A |

**Additional information (optional)**

**Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)**

| Type of adviser | Name | Address |
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**Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)**

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## Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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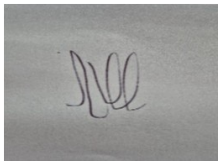
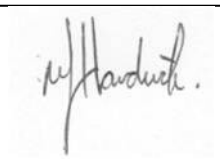
## Other optional information

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## Declarations

**The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.**

**Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees**

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| **Signature(s)** |  |  |
| **Full name(s)** | Andy Broadhurst | Mick Hardwick |
| **Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)** | Chair | Treasurer |
| **Date** | 28 September 2026 | |

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# Receipts and payments acco

| For the period from | 1/1/2025 | To | |
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## Section A Receipts and payments

| | Unrestricted funds | Restricted funds | Endowment funds |
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| | to the nearest £ | to the nearest £ | to the nearest £ |
| **A1 Receipts** | | | |
| Opening | | - | - |
| Breedon Group (Church nest boxes) | | 8,500 | - |
| DSC UNRESTRICTED | - | | - |
| Great Longston - Grant | 300 | - | |
| Matlock - Green Rewards | 460 | - | - |
| Donations and sales | 1,104 | - | - |
| | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - |
| ***Sub total**(Gross income for AR)* | 1,864 | 8,500 | - |
| **A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).** | | | |
| | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - |
| ***Sub total*** | - | - | - |
| ***Total receipts*** | 1,864 | 8,500 | - |
| **A3 Payments** | | | |
| Staff Costs | | 30,981 | - |
| Legal and HR fees | | 1,660 | - |
| Digital Outputs | | 1,301 | - |
| Laptops and consumables | - | 1,024 | - |
| Evaluation Costs | - | 3,960 | - |
| Printing costs | | 158 | |
| Staff expenses | | 25 | |
| Travel expenses | | 1,228 | |
| Account Supervision | | 550 | |
| Recruitment | - | 721 | |
| Zurich - Public Liability Insurance | 391 | - | |
| Payment for callers | 100 | - | |
| Hubspot subscription | 320 | | - |
| Three SIM contract | 10 | - | - |
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| | - | - | - |
| ***Sub total*** | 821 | 41,608 | - |
| **A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)** | | | |

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| | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - |
| ***Sub total*** | - | - | - |
| ***Total payments*** | 821 | 41,608 | - |
| ***Net of receipts/(payments)*** | 1,043 | - 33,108 | - |
| **A5 Transfers between funds** | - | | - |
| **A6 Cash funds last year end** | 1,605 | 107,856 | - |
| ***Cash funds this year end*** | 2,648 | 74,748 | - |

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

| Categories | Details | Unrestricted funds to nearest £ |
|---|---|---|
| **B1 Cash funds** | Cash (NatWest charity account) | 2,648 |
| | | - |
| | | - |
| | ***Total cash funds*** | 2,648 |
| | (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s)) | OK |

| | Details | Unrestricted funds to nearest £ |
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| **B2 Other monetary assets** | | - |
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| | Details | Fund to which asset belongs |
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| **B3 Investment assets** | | |
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| | Details | Fund to which asset belongs |
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| **B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use** | | |
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## B5 Liabilities

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| Total funds<br>to the nearest £ | Last year<br>to the nearest £ |
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| 1,104 | - |
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| 10,364 | - |

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| 30,981 | |
| 1,660 | |
| 1,301 | - |
| 1,024 | - |
| 3,960 | - |
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| 42,429 | - |

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| - 32,065 | - |
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| 109,461 | - |
| 77,396 | - |

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| Restricted funds | Endowment funds |
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| to nearest £ | to nearest £ |
| 74,748 | - |
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| OK | OK |

| Restricted funds | Endowment funds |
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| to nearest £ | to nearest £ |
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| Cost (optional) | Current value (optional) |
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| Amount due (optional) | When due (optional) |
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