Trustees report 2025
Objectives

The Worcestershire Beekeepers Association aims to advance the education of the public and existing beekeepers in the craft of beekeeping and the importance of bees in the environment.

During 2025 we attended the Malvern spring garden show, the Three counties agricultural show and the Malvern autumn show where we hold our county honey show. At all these shows we sell local honey, have an observation hive with live bees and have information about bees and engage with the public about bees. At the three counties show in combination with Gloucestershire and Herefordshire Beekeeping associations we give a live bee demonstration. We also attend the Countrytastic show which is for children to learn about farming. We offer different activities for children to engage in. Making candles is popular and the observation hive is also popular.

There are seven branches of beekeeping groups within the county, these all provide information to the public at local show.

Worcestershire Beekeepers Association

INCOME

	2025	2024	2023	2022
Capitation Fees				
BBKA & BDI	19034.40	18573.25	£18,859.15	£16,916.15
Spring & Autumn Shows				
Honey Sales	7162.00	6395.5	£7,431.58	£6,224.46
Overpaid Honey Sales	29.70			
Grants	0.00	100	£0.00	£3,794.13
Amazon Smile	0.00			£29.07
Conference Ticket Sales	0.00		£1,042.76	£2,390.00
Less Refund		-61	-£20.00	
Heathy Bees	0.00	274.99		
Three Counties Show		£3,030.90		
Interest Received	383.88	298.86	£120.35	£29.10
Donations	0.00	250	£0.00	£0.00
Gift Aid	8427.29			
	£35,037.27	£28,862.50	£27,433.84	£29,382.91

Expenditure

	2025	2024	2023	2022
Capitation Fees to				
BBKA & BDI	17603.15	17245.35	£17,328.15	£17,343.95
Spring & Autumn Shows				
Members Honey Sales	6903.55	5739.95	£6,755.10	£5,555.75
Secretary Expenses	200.84	99.9	#NAME?	£196.62
Prize Money & Cards	10	15	#NAME?	£134.60
Judges Expenses	268.67	180	#NAME?	£173.75
Engraving Trophies	80	110	#NAME?	£171.00
show secretary expense	0		£0.00	£84.60
Spring Show Display	0		£0.00	£163.85
Card Fees	80.16	105.61	£74.97	£64.07
Sales Expenses	49.65			
Three Counties Show		2790		
Conference Expenses	0			£2,973.24
Honoraria	400	1000	£500.00	£500.00
Postage & Stationery	0	571	£42.60	£740.95
MSWCC	0	50		£25.00
Gift Aid to branches	6321.8			£2,845.61
Room Hire	0	45	#NAME?	£24.00
other expenses	122.18	21.98	£70.00	
Bank Charges	51.96	67.76	#NAME?	£75.18
AGM Expenses & Year Book	249	375	£275.00	£277.10
Healthy Bees	0	1500.44		
	£32,340.96	£29,916.99	#NAME?	£31,349.27

Worcestershire Beekeepers Association

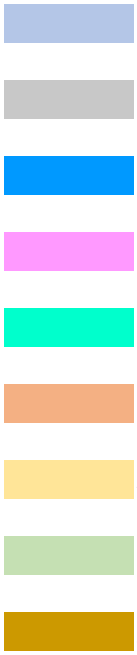
Accumulated Fund as at 31 December 2025

Balance Brought Forward 1 January 2025	£3,701.67
Receipts	£34,573.23
	£38,274.90
Payments	£32,260.80
	£6,014.10
Balance at HSBC Bank at 31 December 2025	£5,086.09
Interest Savings Account	£301.65
Monmouthshire Building Society	£10,746.10
	£16,133.84

Date	Detail	Dr	CR	Balance		
18-Dec	Balance Brought Forward		£3,701.67	£3,701.67		
8-Jan	Total Charges to 17/12/2024	£5.00		£3,696.67		
8-Feb	Total Charges to 17/01/2025	£5.00		£3,691.67		
9-Mar	Kidderminster BE (67.14)		£2,097.45	£5,789.12		
10-Mar	Worcester Branch 67.17		£1,441.70	£7,230.82		
11-Mar	Total Charges to 17/02/2025	£5.00		£7,225.82		
14-Mar	Greeat Whitley BE 67.12-2025		£991.40	£8,217.22		
15-Mar	Newbbka 67.16 NE Worcs		£3,375.35	£11,592.57		
17-Mar	MAL&UPT Beekeepers (67.15)		£3,690.30	£15,282.87		
27-Mar	Vale of Eves Spring 25 Capitatn		£3,400.20	£18,683.07		
8-Apr	Total Charges to 17/03/2025	£5.00		£18,678.07		
9-Apr	HMRC CHARITIES		£7.63	£18,685.70		
12-Apr	BBKA 67 - 2025 Spring	£5,000.00		£13,685.70		
14-Apr	HMRC CHARITIES		£217.25	£13,902.95		
14-Apr	BBKA 67 - 2021 Spring	£5,000.00		£8,902.95		
15-Apr	BBKA 67 - 2021 Spring	£3,448.50		£5,454.45		
16-Apr	HMRC CHARITIES		£418.31	£5,872.76		
16-Apr	BDI Worcestershire 67	£2,436.60		£3,436.16		
17-Apr	HMRC CHARITIES		£3,887.22	£7,323.38		
21-Apr	DA Emonds Engraing	£80.00		£7,243.38		
21-Apr	DA Edmonds - Novice price	£10.00		£7,233.38		
24-Apr	CHQ in at 403109		£2,160.45	£9,393.83		
3-May	Hughes & Co	£249.00		£9,144.83		
3-May	Worcester Branch Gift Aid	£359.30		£8,785.53		
3-May	Great Whitley Gift Aid	£168.66		£8,616.87		
4-May	Evesham Beekeepers Gift Aid	£604.00		£8,012.87		
4-May	Hagley & Stourbridge Gift Aid	£464.67		£7,548.20		
4-May	Kidderminster Beekeepers Gift Aid	£338.74		£7,209.46		
5-May	Malvern & Upton Bee Gift Aid	£952.36		£6,257.10		
5-May	NEWBKA	£511.07		£5,746.03		
9-May	Total Charges 17/04/2025	£5.00		£5,741.03		
13-May	Cash in at HSBC Malvern		£769.00	£6,510.03		
15-May	Sue Evans - Honey Sales	£297.90		£6,212.13		
15-May	MJ Cracknell Honey Sales	£252.00		£5,960.13		
15-May	Foragers Honey Sale	£293.85		£5,666.28		
15-May	M Licquirish Honey Sales	£388.80		£5,277.48		
15-May	M J Porter Honey Sales	£273.60		£5,003.88		
17-May	David Hodges Honey Sales	£187.20		£4,816.68	£165.60	£7.20
21-May	KJ Beddoe Honey Sales	£239.40		£4,577.28		
22-May	Sumup Payments		£1,571.03	£6,148.31		
23-May	KJ Beddoe Honey Sales	£27.00		£6,121.31		
29-May	Hodges D Overpayments		£14.40	£6,135.71		
29-May	JF Moseley Honey Sales	£ 156.80		£ 5,978.91		
2-Jun	Foragers Bee & Hon Malvern Toft		£ 15.30	£ 5,994.21		
8-Jun	Total Charges 17/05/2025	£ 9.28		£ 5,984.93		
9-Jul	Total Charges 17/06/2025	£ 5.00		£ 5,979.93		
17-Jul	HMRC CHARITIES		£ 3,896.88	£ 9,876.81		
8-Aug	Total Charges 17/07/2025	£ 5.00		£ 9,871.81		
10-Aug	Kidderminster BE 67.14		£ 198.00	£ 10,069.81		
11-Aug	Vale of Evesham - Capitation		£ 516.95	£ 10,586.76		
12-Aug	Great Whitely Capitation		£ 342.00	£ 10,928.76	338.5	
13-Aug	Newbk 67.16 NE Worcs		£ 225.00	£ 11,153.76		
17-Aug	Worcester Branch 67.17		£ 200.00	£ 11,353.76		
22-Aug	Ecesham Beekeepers Gift aid 2024	£ 621.94		£ 10,731.82		
22-Aug	Great Whitley Gift Aid 2024	£ 149.93		£ 10,581.89		

22-Aug Hagley & Stourbridge Gift Aid 2024	£ 330.55		£ 10,251.34		
22-Aug Kidderminster Beek gift aid 2024	£ 334.64		£ 9,916.70		
22-Aug Malvern & Upton Be Gift aid 2024	£ 716.40		£ 9,200.30		
22-Aug Newbka giftaid 2024	£ 454.18		£ 8,746.12		
22-Aug Worcester Branch Goft aid 2024	£ 315.36		£ 8,430.76		
22-Aug Mal&Upt Beekprs 67.15		£ 264.70	£ 8,695.46		
5-Sep BBKA 67 2025 autumn	£ 1,556.00		£ 7,139.46		
5-Sep BDI Worcestershire 67	£ 162.05		£ 6,977.41		
7-Sep MJ Cracknell receipts	£ 107.99		£ 6,869.42		
29-Sep Martha Byrd Honey Show expense	£ 49.65		£ 6,819.77		
29-Sep Martha Byrd Honey Sales	£ 81.00		£ 6,738.77		
29-Sep M J Cracknell honey sales	£ 416.70		£ 6,322.07		
29-Sep Ian Pennell Honey Sales	£ 378.00		£ 5,944.07		
29-Sep Worcester Branch Honey Sales	£ 478.70		£ 5,465.37		
29-Sep David Thomas Salt Honey Sales	£ 180.00		£ 5,285.37		
29-Sep Helena Nennett honeysales	£ 675.00		£ 4,610.37		
29-Sep J F Moseley Honey Sales	£ 252.00		£ 4,358.37		
29-Sep Sumup Payments		£ 3,021.81	£ 7,380.18		
1-Oct Cash in at HSBC Bank Malvern		£ 1,720.00	£ 9,100.18		
1-Oct Terry Ashley Judge Fee	£ 130.97		£ 8,969.21		
1-Oct Mrs S M Perkins Judge Fee	£ 137.70		£ 8,831.51		
1-Oct John Dowden Show Secretary	£ 200.84		£ 8,630.67		
2-Oct Cheq in Vai Mobile		£ 130.90	£ 8,761.57	hagley & stourbridge 67.1	
3-Oct Mr G T Murphy Honey Sales	£ 180.00		£ 8,581.57		
3-Oct R J Bolton Honey Sales	£ 201.60		£ 8,379.97		
3-Oct Francis Brown Honey Sales	£ 165.60		£ 8,214.37		
3-Oct I M Harris Honey Sale	£ 288.00		£ 7,926.37		
5-Oct Mick Woolley Honey Sales	£ 172.80		£ 7,753.57		
5-Oct R W Neary Honey Sales	£ 237.60		£ 7,515.97		
5-Oct Sue Evans - Honey Sales	£ 286.20		£ 7,229.77		
5-Oct S Freebairn Honey Sales	£ 277.20		£ 6,952.57		
5-Oct Kevin Fooks Honey Sales	£ 516.60		£ 6,435.97		
1-Nov Jacqueline Hart BBK Exams	£ 14.19		£ 6,421.78		
8-Nov Total Charges to 17/10/2025	£ 7.68		£ 6,414.10		
16-Dec Margaret Embleton - Honoraria	£ 100.00		£ 6,314.10		
16-Dec MJ Cracknell - Honorarium	£ 100.00		£ 6,214.10		
16-Dec Rebecca Day - Honoraria	£ 100.00		£ 6,114.10		
16-Dec AG & RS Mullen - Honoraria	£ 100.00		£ 6,014.10		
	£32,260.80	£34,573.23			

Balance Brought Forward 1/1/2024	£3,701.67
Plus Receipts	34,573.23
Less Payments	32,260.80
Less Transfer to savings Acc	
Balance Carried down 31/12/2025	6,014.10



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INCOME

Capitation Fees	
BBKA & BDI	£19,034.40
Spring show	
Honey Sales	£2,367.50
County Show	
Honey Sales	£4,794.50
Income for overpaid Honey Sales	£29.70
General Income	
Gift Aid	£8,427.29
MBS	£301.65
Interest	£82.23
	£35,037.27
	£34,573.23
	-£464.04
	£383.88
	£80.16 card Fees card fees

Expenditure

Capitation Fees	£17,603.15
Gift Aid	£6,321.80
Spring Show	
Honey Sales	£2,116.55
County Show	
Judges Expenses	£268.67
Secretary Expenses	£200.84
Sales Expenses	£49.65
Prize Money	£10.00
Engraving Trophies	£80.00
Honey Sales	£4,787.00
Card Fees	£80.16
HSBC Bank Charges	£51.96
Honoraria	£400.00
Year Book	£249.00
Exam Fees	£14.19
Honey Judge Gift	£35.00
Crates	£40.00
Hornets	£18.00
Lidded Crates	£14.99
	£32,340.96
	£32,260.80

-£80.16 card fees as already taken out of income.

Month	interest	Balance
Jan	7.99	5011.85
Feb	7.66	5019.51
Mar	6.78	5026.29
Apr	7.51	5033.8
May	6.97	5040.77
Jun	7.02	5047.79
Jul	6.8	5054.59
Aug	6.71	5061.3
Sep	6.53	5067.83
Oct	6.33	5074.16
Nov	6.08	5080.24
Dec	5.85	**5086.09**
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Worcestershire Beekeepers Association
Independent Auditors Report for the Y/E December 2025

This report on the accounts of the Worcestershire Beekeepers Association for the Year Ended 31 December 2025, which are set out in pages 1 & 2, is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with s.145 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees & Examiner
The Charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts.
The Charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for the year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act), and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- To follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act, and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statements
My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by Worcestershire Beekeeping Association and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. Its also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trusses concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiners's Statement
In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention.

1) Which gives us reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:

    - To keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act and
    - To prepare accounts which accord with accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or

2) To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

