DUNGENESS BIRD OBSERVATORY TRUST **CHARITY NUMBER 268125**

TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Address: Dungeness Bird Observatory, 11 RBNSSS Cottages, Dungeness, Kent, TN29 9NA

Trustees:

Gill Hollamby	
Andrew Appleton	Jake Everitt
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Dungeness Bird Observatory Trust is based on the peninsula at Dungeness, Kent and has nine trustees who meet at least three times a year to discuss the past and look to the future in order to manage the charity. New trustees are chosen from those with an interest in the observatory and of the recording of birds in the area. Generally new trustees will be known by at least some of the current trustees and are required to be Friends of the Observatory.

The objectives of the charity remain the same. They are to record details of the bird and other wildlife of the area including the migration of all wildlife.

Daily records were kept for birds, mammals and some invertebrate groups, particularly Lepidoptera, Odonata, Orthoptera, Hemiptera and Hymenoptera. The plant list continued to be maintained. Bird ringing was carried out whenever the opportunity arose and 4,914 birds of 57 species were ringed. This is a welcome increase on the low numbers of recent years, and from an historical perspective, a more usual figure.

Nocturnal migration of birds (Nocmig) was also studied using an Audiomoth device. The Motus Tower had a number of "hits" from the small migrant bat species, Nathusius' Pipistrelle and a Robin.

The Motus system is an international, collaborative research network using co-ordinated, automated radio telemetry to facilitate research and education on the ecology and conservation of migratory animals.

Accommodation at the Observatory was occupied for approximately 221 visitor/nights, a slightly lower figure than in 2024 but still a decent figure compared with recent years.

The benefit to all of seeing the wildlife in the area is not only educational but good for our mental well-being. The trustees and warden do all they can to liaise well with those using the area, residents and visitors alike.

Full details of the finances are included in the annual report but we received income of £49,500 which included £33,600 of income from investments and spent £57,600 leaving a deficit of £8,100 before the downward movement in value of investments. The Balance Sheet total funds decreased by £66,000 to £1.15m during the year.



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21 May 2025

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Dungeness Bird Observatory Trust			Charity No (if any)	268125	
Annual accounts for the period					
Period start date	01.01.2025	To	Period end date	31.12.2025	

Section A Statement of financial activities

Recommended categories by activity	Guidance Notes	Unrestricted funds £ F01	Restricted income funds £ F02	Endowment funds £ F03	Total funds £ F04	Prior year funds £ F05
Incoming resources (Note 3)						
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	S01	10,652	-	-	10,652	7,803
Charitable activities	S02	-	-	-	-	-
Other trading activities	S03	4,775	-	-	4,775	3,472
Investments	S04	34,130	-		34,130	32,776
Separate material item of income	S05	-	-	-	-	-
Other	S06	-	-	-	-	-
Total	S07	49,557	-	-	49,557	44,051
Resources expended (Note 6)						
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	S08	16,226	-	-	16,226	15,070
Charitable activities	S09	41,387	-	-	41,387	35,487
Separate material item of expense	S10	-	-	-	-	-
Other	S11	-	-	-	-	
Total	S12	57,613	-	-	57,613	50,557
Net income/(expenditure) before investment gains/(losses)	S13	- 8,056	-	-	- 8,056	- 6,506
Net gains/(losses) on investments	S14	- 57,637	-	-	- 57,637	26,600
Net income/(expenditure)	S15	- 65,693	-	-	- 65,693	20,094
Extraordinary items	S16	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers between funds	S17	-	-	-	-	-
Other recognised gains/(losses):						
Gains and losses on revaluation of fixed assets for the charity's own use	S18	-	-	-	-	-
Other gains/(losses)	S19	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	S20	- 65,693	-	-	- 65,693	20,094
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward	S21	1,216,074	-	-	1,216,074	1,195,980
Total funds carried forward	S22	1,150,381	-	-	1,150,381	1,216,074

Section B Balance sheet

	Guidance Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted income funds £	Endowment funds £	Total this year £	Total last year £
		F01	F02	F03	F04	F05
Fixed assets						
Intangible assets (Note 15)	B01	-	-	-	-	-
Tangible assets (Note 14)	B02	765	-	-	765	1,530
Heritage assets (Note 16)	B03	-	-	-	-	-
Investments (Note 17)	B04	1,146,447	-	-	1,146,447	1,204,084
Total fixed assets	B05	1,147,212	-	-	1,147,212	1,205,614
Current assets						
Stocks (Note 18)	B06	1,314	-	-	1,314	832
Debtors (Note 19)	B07	-	-	-	-	3,019
Investments (Note 17.4)	B08	-	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand (Note 24)	B09	27,970	-	-	27,970	30,863
Total current assets	B10	29,284	-	-	29,284	34,714
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year (Note 20)	B11	26,115	-	-	26,115	24,254
Net current assets/(liabilities)	B12	3,169	-	-	3,169	10,460
Total assets less current liabilities	B13	1,150,381	-	-	1,150,381	1,216,074
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year (Note 20)	B14	-	-	-	-	-
Provisions for liabilities	B15	-	-	-	-	-
Total net assets or liabilities	B16	1,150,381	-	-	1,150,381	1,216,074
Funds of the Charity						
Endowment funds (Note 27)	B17	-			-	-
Restricted income funds (Note 27)	B18		-		-	-
Unrestricted funds	B19	1,150,381		-	1,150,381	1,216,074
Revaluation reserve	B20				-	
Total funds	B21	1,150,381	-	-	1,150,381	1,216,074

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval dd/mm/yyyy
	A Appleton	21/05/2025

Section C Notes to the accounts

Note 1 **Basis of preparation**

This section should be completed by all charities.

1.1 Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with:

• and with*	✓	the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014
• and with*		the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)

• and with the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.*	

* -Tick as appropriate

1.2 Going concern

If there are material uncertainties related to events or conditions that cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, please provide the following details or state "Not applicable", if appropriate:

An explanation as to those factors that support the conclusion that the charity is a going concern;	***Surplus cash and strong net asset position***
Disclosure of any uncertainties that make the going concern assumption doubtful;	***None***
Where accounts are not prepared on a going concern basis, please disclose this fact together with the basis on which the trustees prepared the accounts and the reason why the charity is not regarded as a going concern.	***Not applicable***

1.3 Change of accounting policy

The accounts present a true and fair view and the accounting policies adopted are those outlined in note { }.

Yes*	✓	* -Tick as appropriate
No*		

Please disclose:

(i) the nature of the change in accounting policy;	None. So notapplicable
(ii) the reasons why applying the new accounting policy provides more reliable and more relevant information; and	Not applicable
(iii) the amount of the adjustment for each line affected in the current period, each prior period presented and the aggregate amount of the adjustment relating to periods before those presented, 3.44 FRS 102 SORP.	Not applicable

1.4 Changes to accounting estimates

No changes to accounting estimates have occurred in the reporting period (3.46 FRS 102 SORP).

Yes*	✓	* -Tick as appropriate
No*		

Please disclose:

(i) the nature of any changes;	n/a - no changes
(ii) the effect of the change on income and expense or assets and liabilities for the current period; and	n/a - no changes
(iii) where practicable, the effect of the change in one or more future periods.	n/a - no changes

1.5 Material prior year errors

No material prior year error have been identified in the reporting period (3.47 FRS 102 SORP).

Yes*	✓	* -Tick as appropriate
No*		

Please disclose:

(i) the nature of the prior period error;	n/a - no material prior year errors
(ii) for each prior period presented in the accounts, the amount of the correction for each account line item affected; and	n/a - no material prior year errors
(iii) the amount of the correction at the beginning of the earliest prior period presented in the accounts.	n/a - no material prior year errors

Note 2 Accounting policies

Please complete this note when first reporting under FRS2102. Section 35 of FRS102, requires 3 reconciliations to be presented, if all are applicable.

2.1 RECONCILIATION WITH PREVIOUS GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRACTICE

Please provide a description of the nature of each change in accounting policy	**NONE**

Reconcilation of funds per previous GAAP to funds determined under FRS 102

	Start of period £	End of period £
Fund balances as previously stated	***1,216,074***	***1,150,381***
Adjustments:	**-**	**-**
Fund balance as restated	***1,216,074***	***1,150,381***

Reconcilation of net income/(net expenditure) per previous GAAP to net income/(net expenditure) under FRS 102

	End of period £
Net income/(expenditure) as previously stated	***65,693***
Adjustments:	**-**
Previous period net income/(expenditure) as restated	***65,693***

Section C	Notes to the accounts	(cont)

Note 2 **Accounting policies**

2.2 INCOME

This standard list of accounting policies has been applied by the charity except for those ticked "No" or "N/a". Where a different or additional policy has been adopted then this is detailed in the box below.

		Yes	No	N/a
Recognition of income	These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when: • the charity becomes entitled to the resources; · it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; and • the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.	✓		
Offsetting	There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.			✓
Grants and donations	Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS102 SORP).	✓		
	In the case of performance related grants, income must only be recognised to the extent that the charity has provided the specified goods or services as entitlement to the grant only occurs when the performance related conditions are met (5.16 FRS 102 SORP).			✓
Legacies	Legacies are included in the SOFA when receipt is probable, that is, when there has been grant of probate, the executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate and any conditions attached to the legacy are either within the control of the charity or have been met.	✓		
Government grants	The charity has received government grants in the reporting period		✓	
Tax reclaims on donations and gifts	Gift Aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor. Any Gift Aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.	✓		
Contractual income and performance related grants	This is only included in the SoFA once the charity has provided the related goods or services or met the performance related conditions.			✓
Donated goods	Donated goods are measured at fair value (the amount for which the asset could be exchanged) unless impractical to do so.			✓
	The cost of any stock of goods donated for distribution to beneficiaries is deemed to be the fair value of those gifts at the time of their receipt and they are recognised on receipt. In the reporting period in which the stocks are distributed, they are recognised as an expense at the carrying amount of the stocks at distribution.			✓
	Donated goods for resale are measured at fair value on initial recognition, which is the expected proceeds from sale less the expected costs of sale, and recognised in 'Income from other trading activities' with the corresponding stock recognised in the balance sheet. On its sale the value of stock is charged against 'Income from other trading activities' and the proceeds from sale are also recognised as 'Income from other trading activities'.			✓
	Goods donated for on-going use by the charity are recognised as tangible fixed assets and included in the SoFA as incoming resources when receivable.			✓
	Gifts in kind for use by the charity are included in the SoFA as income from donations when receivable.			✓
Donated services and facilities	Donated services and facilities are included in the SOFA when received at the value of the gift to the charity provided the value of the gift can be measured reliably.			✓
	Donated services and facilities that are consumed immediately are recognised as income with an equivalent amount recognised as an expense under the appropriate heading in the SOFA.			✓
Support costs	The charity has incurred expenditure on support costs.		✓	
Volunteer help	The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.			✓
Income from interest, royalties and dividends	This is included in the accounts when receipt is probable and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.	✓		
Income from membership subscriptions	Membership subscriptions received in the nature of a gift are recognised in Donations and Legacies.	✓		
	Membership subscriptions which gives a member the right to buy services or other benefits are recognised as income earned from the provision of goods and services as income from charitable activities.	✓		

		Yes	No	N/a
Settlement of insurance claims	Insurance claims are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS102 SORP) and are included as an item of other income in the SoFA.			✓
Investment gains and losses	This includes any realised or unrealised gains or losses on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.	✓		

2.3 EXPENDITURE AND LIABILITIES

		Yes	No	N/a
Liability recognition	Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.	✓		
Governance and support costs	Support costs have been allocated between governance costs and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.			✓
	Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, eg allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.			✓
Grants with performance conditions	Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service or output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specified service or output.			✓
Grants payable without performance conditions	Where there are no conditions attaching to the grant that enables the donor charity to realistically avoid the commitment, a liability for the full funding obligation must be recognised.			✓
Redundancy cost	The charity made no redundancy payments during the reporting period.			✓
Deferred income	No material item of deferred income has been included in the accounts.			✓
Creditors	The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts	✓		
Provisions for liabilities	A liability is measured on recognition at its historical cost and then subsequently measured at the best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date			✓
Basic financial instruments	The charity accounts for basic financial instruments on initial recognition as per paragraph 11.7 FRS102 SORP. Subsequent measurement is as per paragraphs 11.17 to 11.19, FRS102 SORP.	✓		

2.4 ASSETS

Tangible fixed assets for use by charity	These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least			
	They are valued at cost.	✓		
	The depreciation rates and methods used are disclosed in note 9.2.			
Intangible fixed assets	The charity has intangible fixed assets, that is, non-monetary assets that do not have physical substance but are identifiable and are controlled by the charity through custody or legal rights. The amortisation rates and methods used are disclosed in note 9.5			✓
	They are valued at cost.			✓
Heritage assets	The charity has heritage assets, that is, non-monetary assets with historic, artistic, scientific, technological, geophysical or environmental qualities that are held and maintained principally for their contribution to knowledge and culture. The depreciation rates and methods used as disclosed in note 9.6.1.4.			✓
	They are valued at cost.			✓
Investments	Fixed asset investments in quoted shares, traded bonds and similar investments are valued at initially at cost and subsequently at fair value (their market value) at the year end. The same treatment is applied to unlisted investments unless fair value cannot be measured reliably in which case it is measured at cost less impairment.	✓		
	Investments held for resale or pending their sale and cash and cash equivalents with a maturity date of less than 1 year are treated as current asset investments			✓
Stocks and work in progress	Stocks held for sale as part of non-charitable trade are measured at the lower or cost or net realisable value.	✓		
	Goods or services provided as part of a charitable activity are measured at net realisable value based on the service potential provided by items of stock.			✓
	Work in progress is valued at cost less any foreseeable loss that is likely to occur on the contract.			✓
Debtors	Debtors (including trade debtors and loans receivable) are measured on initial recognition at settlement amount after any trade discounts or amount advanced by the charity. Subsequently, they are measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be received.			✓

Current asset investments	The charity has has investments which it holds for resale or pending their sale and cash and cash equivalents with a maturity date less than one year. These include cash on deposit and cash equivalents with a maturity date of less than one year held for investment purposes rather than to meet short term cash commitments as they fall due.	Yes	No	N/a
				✓
	They are valued at fair value except where they qualify as basic financial instruments.	Yes	No	N/a
				✓

POLICIES ADOPTED ADDITIONAL TO OR DIFFERENT FROM THOSE ABOVE	

Note 3 Analysis of income

	Analysis	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Endowment funds	Total funds £	Prior year £
Donations and legacies:	Donations and gifts	4,734	-	-	4,734	2,163
	Gift Aid	754	-	-	754	676
	Legacies	-	-	-	-	-
	General grants provided by government/other charities	-	-	-	-	-
	Membership subscriptions and sponsorships which are in substance donations	4,519	-	-	4,519	4,051
	Donated goods, facilities and services	-	-	-	-	-
	Other	645	-	-	645	913
	Total	10,652	-	-	10,652	7,803
Charitable activities:		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
	Other	-	-	-	-	-
	Total	-	-	-	-	-
Other trading activities:	Sales of clothing, etc	493	-	-	493	150
	Accomodation	4,282	-	-	4,282	3,322
		-	-	-	-	-
	Other	-	-	-	-	-
	Total	4,775	-	-	4,775	3,472
Income from investments:	Interest income	470	-	-	470	-
	Dividend income	-	-	-	-	-
	Rental and leasing income	-	-	-	-	-
	Other	33,660	-	-	33,660	32,776
	Total	34,130	-	-	34,130	32,776
Separate material item of income:		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
	Total	-	-	-	-	-
Other:	Conversion of endowment funds into income	-	-	-	-	-
	Gain on disposal of a tangible fixed asset held for charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-
	Gain on disposal of a programme related investment	-	-	-	-	-
	Royalties from the exploitation of intellectual property rights	-	-	-	-	-
	Other	-	-	-	-	-
	Total	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL INCOME		49,557	-	-	49,557	44,051

Other information:

All income in the prior year was unrestricted except for: (please provide description and amounts)

Where any endowment fund is converted into income in the reporting period, please give the reason for the conversion.

Where any endowment fund is converted into income in the prior period, please give the reason for the conversion.

Within the income items above the following items are material: (please disclose the nature, amount and any prior year amounts)

Section C Notes to the accounts (cont)

Note 4 **Analysis of receipts of government grants**

	Description	This year £
Government grant 1		-
Government grant 2		-
Government grant 3		-
Other		-
	Total	-

	Description	Last year £
Government grant 1		-
Government grant 2		-
Government grant 3		-
Other		-
	Total	-

	This year	Last year
Please provide details of any unfulfilled conditions and other contingencies attaching to grants that have been recognised in income.		

	This year	Last year
Please give details of other forms of government assistance from which the charity has directly benefited.		

Section C — Notes to the accounts — (cont)

Note 5 — Donated goods, facilities and services

	This year £	Last year £
Seconded staff	-	-
Use of property	-	-
Other	-	-
	-	-

	This year	Last year
Please provide details of the accounting policy for the recognition and valuation of donated goods, facilities and services.		
Please provide details of any unfulfilled conditions and other contingencies attaching to resources from donated goods and services not recognised in income.		
Please give details of other forms of other donated goods and services not recognised in the accounts, eg contribution of unpaid volunteers.		

Section C Notes to the accounts (cont)

Note 6 Analysis of expenditure

Analysis	This year: Unrestricted funds	This year: Restricted income funds	This year: Endowment funds	This year: Total funds £	Last year: Unrestricted funds	Last year: Restricted income funds	Last year: Endowment funds	Last year: Total funds £
Expenditure on raising funds:								
Incurred seeking donations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Incurred seeking legacies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Incurred seeking grants	-	-	-	-				-
Advertising, marketing, direct mail and publicity	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other trading activities	-	-	-	-				-
Investment management costs:	-	-	-	-				-
Portfolio management costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cost of obtaining investment advice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment administration costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rent collection, property repairs and maintenance charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rent, rates, light, and heat	5,842	-	-	5,842	5,588	-	-	5,588
Telephone, insurance, annual report costs, IT, post and stationery	3,963			3,963	4,014			4,014
Repairs and maintenance	2,559			2,559	3,324			3,324
Depreciation	765			765	376			376
Other costs	3,097			3,097	1,768			1,768
Total expenditure on raising funds	16,226	-	-	16,226	15,070	-	-	15,070
Expenditure on charitable activities:								
Staff costs	33,664	-	-	33,664	29,973	-	-	29,973
Direct costs, ringing and moth trap equipment, etc	6,211			6,211	3,522			3,522
Car expenses, conferences, etc	1,512	-	-	1,512	1,992	-	-	1,992
Total expenditure on charitable activities	41,387	-	-	41,387	35,487	-	-	35,487
Separate material item of expense								
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other								
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total other expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	57,613	-	-	57,613	50,557	-	-	50,557

Other information:

Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Activity or programme	This year: Activities undertaken directly	This year: Grant funding of activities	This year: Support Costs	This year: Total this year	Last year: Activities undertaken directly	Last year: Grant funding of activities	Last year: Support Costs	Last year: Total last year
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Activity 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Activity 2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Note 7 Extraordinary items

Please explain the nature of each extraordinary item occurring in the period.

	Description	This year £	Last year £
Extraordinary item 1		-	-
Extraordinary item 2		-	-
		-	-
Extraordinary item 3		-	-
Extraordinary item 4		-	-
Total extrordinary items		-	-

Section C Notes to the accounts

Note 8 Funds received as agent

8.1 Please complete this note if the charity has agreed to administer the funds of another entity as its agent. Note: If a charity is acting as an agent, it should not recognise the income in the Statement of Financial Activities or the Balance Sheet.

Description/name of party	Related party (Yes or No)	Amount received		Amount paid out		Balance held at period end	
		This year	Last year	This year	Last year	This year	Last year
		£	£	£	£	£	£
		-	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-	-
	Total	-	-	-	-	-	-

8.2 Where a consortia or similar arrangement exists whereby 2 or more charities co-operate to achieve economies in the purchase of goods or services, please discose details of any balances outstanding between any participating members.

Description/name of party	Balance held at period end	
	This year	Last year
	£	£
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
Total	-	-

Section C Notes to the accounts

Note 9 Support Costs

Please complete this note if the charity has analysed its expenses using activity categories and has support costs.

This year

Support cost (examples)	Raising funds	Activity 1	Activity 2	Activity 3	Grand total	Basis of allocation
	£	£	£	£	£	(Describe method)
Governance	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	
Other	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	-	-	-	-	

Last year

Support cost (examples)	Raising funds	Activity 1	Activity 2	Activity 3	Grand total	Basis of allocation
	£	£	£	£	£	(Describe method)
Governance	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	
Other	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	-	-	-	-	

Please provide details of the accounting policy adopted for the apportionment of costs between activities and any estimation techniques used to calculate their apportionment.

Section C Notes to the accounts

Note 10 Details of certain items of expenditure

10.1 Fees for examination of the accounts

Please provide details of the amount paid for any statutory external scrutiny of accounts and other services provided by your independent examiner. If nothing was paid please enter '0' in the appropriate box(es).

	This year £	Last year £
Independent examiner's fees	-	-
Assurance services other than audit or independent examination	-	-
Tax advisory fees	-	-
Other fees (for example: financial advice, consultancy, accountancy services) paid to the independent examiner	-	-

Note 11 Paid employees

Please complete this note if the charity has any employees.

11.1 Staff Costs

	This year £	Last year £
Salaries and wages	28,957	25,605
Social security costs	-	-
Pension costs (defined contribution scheme)	4,707	4,368
Other employee benefits	-	-
Total staff costs	33,664	29,973

This year:

Please provide details of expenditure on staff working for the charity whose contracts are with and are paid by a related party

n/a

Last year:

Please provide details of expenditure on staff working for the charity whose contracts are with and are paid by a related party

n/a

Please give details of the number of employees whose total employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) fell within each band of £10,000 from £60,000 upwards. If there are no such transactions, please enter 'true' in the box provided.

No employees received employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) for the reporting period of more than £60,000

Band	Number of employees	
	This year	Last year
£60,000 to £69,999	-	-
£70,000 to £79,999	-	-
£80,000 to £89,999	-	-
£90,000 to £99,999	-	-
£100,000 to £109,999	-	-

	This year £	Last year £
Please provide the total amount paid to key management personnel (includes trustees and senior management) for their services to the charity. For specific amounts paid to trustees, see Note 28.	-	-

11.2 Average head count in the year

The parts of the charity in which the employees work	This year Number	Last year Number
Fundraising	-	-
Charitable Activities	2	2
Governance	-	-
Other	-	-
Total	2	2

11.3 Ex-gratia payments to employees and others (excluding trustees)
Please complete if an ex-gratia payment is made.

Please explain the nature of the payment	
This year	n/a
Last year	n/a

Please state the legal authority or reason for making the payment	
This year	n/a
Last year	n/a

Please state the amount of the payment (or value of any waiver of a right to an asset)	This year £	Last year £
	-	-

11.4 Redundancy payments

Please complete if any redundancy or termination payment is made in the period.

	This year	Last year
	£	£
Total amount of payment	-	-

The nature of the payment (cash, asset etc.)		

	This year	Last year
	£	£
The extent of redundancy funding at the balance sheet date	-	-

Please state the accounting policy for any redundancy or termination payments		

Note 12 Defined contribution pension scheme or defined benefit scheme accounted for as a defined contribution scheme.

12.1 Please complete this note if a defined contribution pension scheme is operated.

	This year	Last year
	£	£
Amount of contributions recognised in the SOFA as an expense	4,707	4,368

Please explain the basis for allocating the liability and expense of defined contribution pension scheme between activities and between restricted and unrestricted funds.	employee to whom contributions relate is involved in charitable activities	employee to whom contributions relate is involved in charitable activities

12.2 Please complete this section where the charity participates in a defined benefit pension plan but is unable to ascertain its share of the underlying assets and liabilities.

Please confirm that although the scheme is accounted for as a defined contribution plan, it is a defined benefit plan.	n/a
Please provide such information as is available about the plan's surplus or deficit and the implications, if any, for the reporting charity for this year and last year, if different	n/a

12.3 Please complete this section where the charity participates in a multi-employer defined benefit pension plan that is accounted for as a defined contribution plan.

Describe the extent to which the charity can be liable to the plan for other entities' obligations under the terms and conditions of the multi-employer plan. If this is different for last year, provide details	n/a
Provide an explanation of how any liability arising from an agreement with a multi-employer plan to fund a deficit has been determined. If this is different for last year, provide details	n/a

Note 13 Grantmaking

Please complete this note if the charity made any grants or donations which in aggregate form a material part of the charitable activities undertaken.

This year:

13.1 Analysis of grants paid (included in cost of charitable activities)

Analysis	Grants to institutions	Grants to individuals	Support costs	Total
			£	£
Activity or project 1	-	-	-	-
Activity or project 2	-	-	-	-
Activity or project 3	-	-	-	-
Activity or project 4	-	-	-	-
Total	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**

Please enter "Nil" if the charity does not identify and/or allocate support costs.

13.2 Grants made to institutions

My charity has made grants to particular institutions that are material in the context of its grantmaking. Details of the institution supported, purpose of the grant and total paid to each institution is available on the charity's web site.	***No***	***Please provide details of charity's URL.***
	N/A	***Provide details below***

Names of institution	Purpose	Total amount of grants paid £
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
Total grants to institutions in reporting period		**-**
Other unanalysed grants		-
TOTAL GRANTS PAID		-

Last year:

13.3 Analysis of grants paid (included in cost of charitable activities)

Analysis	Grants to institutions	Grants to individuals	Support costs £	Total £
Activity or project 1	-	-	-	-
Activity or project 2	-	-	-	-
Activity or project 3	-	-	-	-
Activity or project 4	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-

Please enter "Nil" if the charity does not identify and/or allocate support costs.

13.4 Grants made to institutions

My charity has made grants to particular institutions that are material in the context of its grantmaking. Details of the institution supported, purpose of the grant and total paid to each institution is available on the charity's web site.	***No***	***Please provide details of charity's URL.***
	N/A	***Provide details below***

Names of institution	Purpose	Total amount of grants paid £
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
Total grants to institutions in reporting period		-
Other unanalysed grants		-
TOTAL GRANTS PAID		-

Section C Notes to the accounts (cont)

Note 14 Tangible fixed assets

Please complete this note if the charity has any tangible fixed assets

14.1 Cost or valuation

	Freehold land & buildings £	Other land & buildings £	Plant, machinery and motor vehicles £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Total £
At the beginning of the year	-	-	-	37,376	37,376
Additions	-	-	-	-	-
Revaluations	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers *	-	-	-	-	-
At end of the year	-	-	-	37,376	37,376

14.2 Depreciation and impairments

**Basis	SL or RB (Straight Line or Reducing Balance)	SL or RB	SL or RB	SL or RB	SL or RB
** Rate					
At beginning of the year	-	-	-	35,846	35,846
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation	-	-	-	765	765
Impairment	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers*	-	-	-	-	-
At end of the year	-	-	-	36,611	36,611

14.3 Net book value

Net book value at the beginning of the year	-	-	-	1,530	1,530
Net book value at the end of the year	-	-	-	765	765

14.4 Impairment

This year: Please provide a description of the events and circumstances that led to the recognition or reversal of an impairment loss.	
Last year: Please provide a description of the events and circumstances that led to the recognition or reversal of an impairment loss.	

14.5 Revaluation

If an accounting policy of revaluation is adopted, please provide:	**This year**	**Last year**
the effective date of the revaluation		
the name of independent valuer, if applicable		
the methods applied and significant assumptions		
the carrying amount that would have been recognised had the assets been carried under the cost model.	-	-

14.6 Other disclosures

	This year	**Last year**
	£	**£**
(i) Please state the amount of borrowing costs, if any, capitalised in the construction of tangible fixed assets and the capitalisation rate used.	-	-
(ii) Please provide the amount of contractual commitments for the acquisition of tangible fixed assets.	-	-
(iii) Details of the existence and carrying amounts of property, plant and equipment to which the charity has restricted title or that are pledged as security for liabilities.		

** The "transfers" row is for movements between fixed asset categories.*
*** Please indicate the method of depreciation by deleting the method not applicable (SL = straight line; RB = reducing balance). Also please indicate the rate of depreciation: for straight line, what is the anticipated life of the asset (in years); for reducing balance, what is the percentage annual deduction.*

Note 17 Investment assets

Please complete this note if the charity has any investment assets.

17.1 Fixed assets investments (please provide for each class of investment)

	Cash & cash equivalents	Listed investments	Investment properties	Social investments	Other	Total
Carrying (fair) value at beginning of period	-	-	-	-	1,204,084	1,204,084
Add: additions to investments during period*	-	-	-	-		-
Less: disposals at carrying value	-	-	-	-	-	-
Less: impairments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Add: Reversal of impairments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Add/(deduct): transfer in/(out) in the period	-	-	-	-	-	-
Add/(deduct): net gain/(loss) on revaluation	-	-	-	-	- 57,637	- 57,637
Carrying (fair) value at end of year	-	-	-	-	1,146,447	1,146,447

***Please specify additions resulting from acquisitions through business combinations, if any.**	n/a

Please note that Fair Value in this context is the amount for which an asset could be exchanged between knowlegable and willing parties in an arm's length transaction. For traded securities, the fair value is the value of the security quoted on the London Stock Exchange Daily Official List or equivalent. For other assets where there is no market price on a traded market, it is the trustees' or valuers' best estimate of fair value.

17.2 Please provide a breakdown of investments shown above agreeing with the balance sheet row B04 differentiating between those held at fair value and those held at cost less impairment.

This year:

Analysis of investments

	Fair value at year end	Cost less impairment
	£	£
Cash or cash equivalents	-	-
Listed investments	-	-
Investment properties	-	-
Social investments	-	-
Other investments	1,146,447	-
Total	1,146,447	-
Grand total (Fair value at year end+Cost less impairment)		1,146,447

Last year:

Analysis of investments

	Fair value at year end	Cost less impairment
	£	£
Cash or cash equivalents	-	-
Listed investments	-	-
Investment properties	-	-
Social investments	-	-
Other investments	1,146,447	-
Total	1,146,447	-
Grand total (Fair value at year end+Cost less impairment)		1,146,447

17.3 If your charity holds investment properties, please complete the following note:

	This year	Last year
(i) Explain the methods and significant assumptions in determining the fair value of investment property held by the charity	n/a	n/a
(ii) Name or independent valuer, if applicable, and relevant qualifications	n/a	n/a
(iii) Provide details of any restrictions on the ability to realise investment property or on the remittance of income or disposal proceeds	n/a	n/a
(iv) Explain any contractual obligations for the purchase, construction or development of investment property or for repairs, maintenance or enhancements	n/a	n/a

17.4 Please provide a breakdown of current asset investments, if applicable, agreeing with the balance sheet.

Analysis of current asset investments	This year	Last year
	£	£
Cash or cash equivalents	-	-
Listed investments	-	-
Investment properties	-	-
Social investments	-	-
Other investments	1,146,447	1,204,084
Total	1,146,447	1,204,084

17.5 Guarantees

	This year	Last year
Please provide details and amount of any guarantee made to or on behalf of a third party	n/a	n/a
Name of the entity or entities benefitting from those guarantees	n/a	n/a
Please explain how the guarantee furthers the charity's aims	n/a	n/a

17.6 Concessionary loans

Amount of concessionary loans made (*Multiple loans made may be disclosed in aggregate provided that such aggregation does not obsure significant information*).

Description	This year £	Last year £
n/a	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
Total	-	-

Amount of concessionary loans received *(Multiple loans received may be disclosed in aggregate provided that such aggregation does not obsure significant information).*

Description	This year £	Last year £
n/a	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
Total	-	-

	This year	Last year
Terms and conditions eg interest rate, security provided	n/a	n/a
Value of any concessionary loans which have been committed but not taken up at the reporting date	n/a	n/a
Amounts payable within 1 year	n/a	n/a
Amounts payable after more than 1 year	n/a	n/a
Amounts receivable within 1 year	n/a	n/a
Amounts receivable after more than 1 year	n/a	n/a

17.7 Additional information

	This year	Last year
Please provide information about the significance of investments to the charity's financial position or performance eg. terms and conditions of loans or the use of hedging to manage financial risk.	the investment is a significant part of the net assets of the trust	the investment is a significant part of the net assets of the trust
For all investments measured at fair value, the basis for determining the value, including any assumptions applied when using a valuation technique.	n/a	n/a
Where a charity has provided financial assets as a form of security, the carrying amount of the financial asset pledged as security and the terms and conditions relating to its pledge.	n/a	n/a

Note 18 Stocks

Please complete this note if the charity holds any stock items

18.1 Please state the carrying amount of stock and work in progress analysed between activities.

	Stock		Donated goods		Work in progress
	For distribution	For resale	For distribution	For resale	
	£	£	£	£	£
Charitable activities:					
Opening	-	-	-	-	-
Added in period	-	-	-	-	-
Expensed in period	-	-	-	-	-
Impaired	-	-	-	-	-
Closing	-	-	-	-	-
Other trading activities:					
Opening	-	832	-	-	-
Added in period	-	482	-	-	-
Expensed in period	-	-	-	-	-
Impaired	-	-	-	-	-
Closing	-	**1,314**	-	-	-
Other:					
Opening	-	-	-	-	-
Added in period	-	-	-	-	-
Expensed in period	-	-	-	-	-
Impaired	-	-	-	-	-
Closing	-	-	-	-	-
Total this year	-	1,314	-	-	-
Total previous year	-	832	-	-	-

	This year	Last year
	£	£
18.2 Please specify the carrying amount of any stocks pledged as security for liabilities	N/A	N/A

Note 20 Creditors and accruals

Please complete this note if the charity has any creditors or accruals.

20.1 Analysis of creditors

	Amounts falling due within one year		Amounts falling due after more than one year	
	This year £	Last year £	This year £	Last year £
Accruals for grants payable	5,000	5,000	-	-
Bank loans and overdrafts	-	-	-	-
Trade creditors	51	800	-	-
Payments received on account for contracts or performance-related grants	-	-	-	-
Accruals and deferred income	15,600	13,200	-	-
Taxation and social security	674	497	-	-
Other creditors	4,790	4,757	-	-
Total	26,115	24,254	-	-

20.2 Deferred income

Please complete this note if the charity has deferred income.

This year	Last year

Please explain the reasons why income is deferred.

Movement in deferred income account	This year £	Last year £
Balance at the start of the reporting period	-	-
Amounts added in current period	-	-
Amounts released to income from previous periods	-	-
Balance at the end of the reporting period	-	-

Section C Notes to the accounts (cont)

Note 22 Other disclosures for debtors, creditors and other basic financial instruments

	This year	Last year
22.1 Please provide information about the significance of financial instruments (eg. debtors, creditors, investments etc) to the charity's financial position or performance, for example, the terms and conditions of loans or the use of hedging to manage financial risk.	*Investments are a significant part of the assets of the trust*	*Investments are a significant part of the assets of the trust*
22.2 If the charity has provided financial assets as a form of security, the carrying amount of the financial assets pledged as security and the terms and conitions related to its pledge should be given here.	*n/a*	*n/a*

Note 24 Cash at bank and in hand

	This year £	Last year £
Short term cash investments (less than 3 months maturity date)	-	-
Short term deposits	-	-
Cash at bank and on hand	27,970	30,863
Other	-	-
Total	27,970	30,863

Section C Notes to the accounts (cont)

Note 25 Fair value of assets and liabilities

	This year	Last year
25.1 Please provide details of the charity's exposure to credit risk (the risk of incurring a loss due to a debtor not paying what is owed) , liquidity risk (the risk of not being able to meet short term financial demands) and market risk (the risk that the value of an investment will fall due to changes in the market) arising from financial instruments to which the charity is exposed at the end of the reporting period and explain how the charity manages those risks.	n/a	n/a
25.2 Please give details of the amount of change in the fair value of basic financial instruments (debtors, creditors, investments (see section 11, FRS 102 SORP)) measured at fair value through the SoFA that is attributable to changes in credit risk.	n/a	n/a

Section C Notes to the accounts (cont)

Note 26 Events after the end of the reporting period

Please complete this note events (not requiring adjustment to the accounts) have occurred after the end of the reporting period but before the accounts are authorised which relate to conditions that arose after the end of the

	This year	Last year
Please provide details of the nature of the event	NONE	NONE
Provide an estimate of the financial effect of the event or a statement that such an estimate cannot be made	N/A	N/A

Section C Notes to the accounts (cont)

Note 27 Charity funds

27.1 Details of material funds held and movements during the CURRENT reporting period

Please give details of the movements of material individual funds in the reporting period together with a balancing figure for 'Other funds'. The 'Total funds' figure below should reconcile to 'Total funds' in the blanace sheet.

**** Key: PE - permanent endowment funds; EE - expendible endowment funds; R - restricted income funds, including special trusts, of the charity; and U - unrestricted funds***

Fund names	Type PE, EE R or UR *	Purpose and Restrictions	Fund balances brought forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Gains and losses £	Fund balances carried forward £
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
Other funds	N/a	N/a	-	-	-	-	-	-
		Total Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-

Section C **Notes to the accounts** **(cont)**

Note 27 **Charity funds (cont)**

27.2 Details of material funds held and movements during the PREVIOUS reporting period

Please give details of the movements of material individual funds in the reporting period together with a balancing figure for 'Other funds'. The 'Total funds' figure below should reconcile to 'Total funds' in the blanace sheet.

**** Key: PE - permanent endowment funds; EE - expendible endowment funds; R - restricted income funds, including special trusts, of the charity; and U - unrestricted funds***

Fund names	Type PE, EE R or UR *	Purpose and Restrictions	Fund balances brought forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Gains and losses £	Fund balances carried forward £
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
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			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
Other funds	N/a	N/a	-	-	-	-	-	-
		Total Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-

Note 28 Transactions with trustees and related parties

If the charity has any transactions with related parties (other than the trustee expenses explained in guidance notes) details of such transactions should be provided in this note. If there are no transactions to report, please enter "True" in the box or "False" if there are transactions to report.

28.1 Trustee remuneration and benefits

This year

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with their charity or a related entity (True or False)	**TRUE**

In the period the charity has paid trustees remuneration and benefits. Please give the amount of, and legal authority for, any remuneration or other benefits paid to a trustee by the charity or any institution or company connected with it.

Name of trustee	Legal authority (eg order, governing document)	Amounts paid or benefit value				
		Remuneration	Pension contribution	Redundancy (including loss of office)/ex gratia	Other	TOTAL
		£	£	£	£	£
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-

Please give details of why remuneration or other employment benefits were paid.	
Where an ex gratia payment has been made to a trustee, provide an explanation of the nature of the payment.	

Last year

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with their charity or a related entity (True or False)	**TRUE**

In the period the charity has paid trustees remuneration and benefits. Please give the amount of, and legal authority for, any remuneration or other benefits paid to a trustee by the charity or any institution or company connected with it.

Name of trustee	Legal authority (eg order, governing document)	Amounts paid or benefit value				
		Remuneration	Pension contribution	Redundancy (including loss of office)/ex gratia	Other	TOTAL
		£	£		£	£
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-

Please give details of why remuneration or other employment benefits were paid.	
Where an ex gratia payment has been made to a trustee, provide an explanation of the nature of the payment.	

28.2 Trustees' expenses

If the charity has paid trustees expenses for fulfilling their duties, details of such transactions should be provided in this note. If there are no transactions to report, please enter "True" in the box below. If there are transactions to report, please enter "False".

No trustee expenses have been incurred (True or False)	***TRUE***

Type of expenses reimbursed	This year	Last year
	£	£
Travel	-	-
Subsistence	-	-
Accommodation	-	-
Other (please specify):	-	-
	-	-
TOTAL	-	-

Please provide the number of trustees reimbursed for expenses or who had expenses paid by the charity		

28.3 Transaction(s) with related parties

Please give details of any transaction undertaken by (or on behalf of) the charity in which a related party has a material interest, including where funds have been held as agent for related parties. If there are no such transactions, please enter 'true' in the box provided.

This year

There have been no related party transactions in the reporting period (True or False)	***TRUE***

Name of the trustee or related party	Relationship to charity	Description of the transaction(s)	Amount	Balance at period end	Provision for bad debts at period end	Amounts written off during reporting period
			£	£	£	£

In relation to the transactions above, please provide the terms and conditions, including any security and the nature of any payment (consideration) to be provided in settlement.	
For any related party, please provide details of any guarantees given or received.	

Last year

There have been no related party transactions in the reporting period (True or False) | ***TRUE***

Name of the trustee or related party	Relationship to charity	Description of the transaction(s)	Amount	Balance at period end	Provision for bad debts at period end	Amounts written off during reporting period
			£	£	£	£

In relation to the transactions above, please provide the terms and conditions, including any security and the nature of any payment (consideration) to be provided in settlement.

For any related party, please provide details of any guarantees given or received.

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees	Charity Name **DUNGENESS BIRD OBSERVATORY TRUST**		
On accounts for the year ended	**31 DECEMBER 2025**	**Charity no (if any)**	**268125**
Set out on pages	**1 to 27** remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets		

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

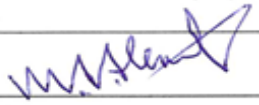
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.

Signed:		**Date:**	**12/10/2026**
Name:	**MICHAEL VICTOR HENTY**		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):			
Address:	**12 CHICHESTER CLOSE, WITLEY,** **GODALMING** **SURREY GU8 5PA**		