

CYMDEITHAS ERYRI

SNOWDONIA SOCIETY

REPORTS AND ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2019

Charity Number: 1155401

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Annual Report of the Trustees

1st July 2018 – 30th June 2019

The Society

The Society was formed and first registered as a charity in 1967. In January 2014 it re-registered with the Charity Commission (registered no 1155401) as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO).

The Charitable Object of the Society

The object of the CIO is *to protect and enhance the beauty and special qualities of Snowdonia and to promote their enjoyment in the interests of all who live in, work in or visit the area both now and in the future*. Our activities cover the whole of the Snowdonia National Park but may extend beyond its boundaries on matters concerning the Society.

Management of the Society

The principal decision-making body within the Society is the Executive Committee. The members of the Executive are the Trustees under charity law. The appointment of the officers and members of the Executive is governed by the Society's constitution. Officers and staff have delegated authority to make day-to-day decisions in line with agreed policy and to spend money within limits specified by the Executive. There are three sub-committees of the Executive: the Enhancement Sub-Committee, the Policy Sub-Committee and the Finance Sub-Committee.

Officers and Trustees at 30th June 2019

President	Vacant
Vice Presidents	Huw Morgan Daniel CVO KStJ , David Firth, Sir John Houghton CBE FRS, Sir Simon Jenkins FSA, Dr Morag McGrath
Chair	David Archer
Vice chair	Charles Hawkins
Trustees	Sue Beaumont, Dr Jacob Buis, Netti Collister, Bob Lowe, Julian Pitt, Jane Parry-Evans, Margaret Thomas, Peter Weston.

Staff at 30th June 2019

Director	John Harold
Membership and Communications Officer	Debbie Pritchard
Engagement Officer	Claire Holmes
Project Manager	Mary-Kate Jones
Conservation Officer	Owain Thomas
Conservation Officer	Daniel Goodwin
Accountant	Judith Bellis

Bankers	HSBC Llanrwst
Independent Examiner	Bennett Brooks, Llandudno

Changes in Officers and Trustees

At the AGM in October 2018 David Archer was re-elected as Chair. Charles Hawkins was elected as Vice-chair. Robert Lowe, Jane Parry-Evans, Julian Pitt and Peter Weston were elected as Trustees. Dr Sarah McCarthy and Gareth Roberts retired as trustees during the year.

Financial Report

The Society is reliant for regular income on donations, subscriptions, and income generated through Tŷ Hyll, including rent, events, merchandise sales and sales of seeds and plants. Most unusually, however, in the year to 30 June 2019 the largest single source of income was a substantial legacy. A further smaller legacy meant that the total legacy income in the year was over £160K. The trustees were aware for some time that this was in the pipeline and were able to plan accordingly.

As in previous years, the majority of the funding for the flagship conservation work carried out by volunteers, the Helping Hands project, formerly known as Snowdonia Ecosystem Project (SEP), comes from grants given specifically to support this work by funders including Garfield Weston, Postcode Lottery, Natural Resources Wales (NRW) and the Snowdonia National Park Authority (SNPA), among others. In addition to these grants, the trustees decided, in anticipation of the mentioned above, to allocate specific amounts from the Society's own resources to support the project for at least a five year period.

In the current financial year, the Society has made plans to employ a Tŷ Hyll Warden and continues to pay a gardener to maintain the gardens there; both posts are approximately one day per week.

Serious problems with the Society's bank, HSBC, have meant that not all subscriptions paid by Direct Debit have been collected. It is hoped that these will be collected in the current year but members should be assured that the apparent fall in subscription income is not due to a loss of members. On the contrary, we have seen a modest rise in the number of subscribing members.

The large legacy received will be used to support the work of the Society rather than increasing the Society's funds in the long term. This provides us with a vital and greatly appreciated degree of certainty at a time when securing grant funding for small charities has become and looks likely to remain extremely difficult.

The overall position is an increase in total funds from £738,761 at 30th June 2018 to £843,121 at 30th June 2019. This includes the heritage property Tŷ Hyll at its 2008 valuation of £285,000. The trustees are satisfied that planned spending of part of these reserves over the next few years will enable the Society to operate even more successfully while ensuring that it remains secure in the longer term.

Reserves policy

The Society's policy is to hold sufficient reserves (Short-Term Reserves) to meet normal expenditure over a 4 – 6 month period in readily accessible accounts. Other reserves (Long-Term Reserves) are invested on the Society's behalf by investment managers to produce the best financial return within an acceptable level of risk.

Investment policy

The Society's Written Investment Policy, covering reserves, investment, and risk management is available from the office or via the website. The objective of the Long-Term Reserves investment portfolio is to produce a return balanced between income and capital growth, using a moderate level of risk, generating a return in excess of inflation over the long-term as a minimum. The Short-Term Reserves seek to preserve capital values.

Risk Management policy

The primary risk to the long-term financial stability of the Society has been identified as the effect of inflation on the financial reserves. The investments are managed with the object of minimizing this risk.

Ethical Investment

The appointment of investment managers experienced in working with charities provides an opportunity to review the Society's ethical investment practice. In the interim the Society has made clear its wish to avoid assets that explicitly conflict with the Society's objectives.

Investment performance

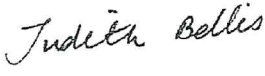
The last 12 months can be divided into two halves. The second half of 2018 saw global markets tumbling, concerned that interest rates might rise in the US in the face of strong global growth. The second half saw a meaningful rally as those fears dissipated, the weak Pound supporting the largest UK-quoted companies. Accordingly, it was pleasing to note that the Long-Term Reserves rose 3.6% net of charges whilst the benchmark returned 3.8%. The Consumer Price Index+3% is up 5.0% for the year. As might be expected given the low interest rate environment, the Short-Term Reserve cash obtained negligible returns. Brexit continues to overshadow the UK, and trades war(s) the US, making for an uncertain outlook.

Responsibilities of Trustees

The Trustees are required by law to prepare financial statements each year which give a true and fair account of the Society's activities during the year and its financial position at the end of it. In preparing these accounts, Trustees are required to select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently, and to follow applicable accounting standards, explaining any departures. They are required to make reasonable and prudent judgements in these matters, to keep accounting records which disclose with some accuracy at any time the financial position of the Society, and to comply with charity law and other legal requirements. They are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Society and taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud.

This report has been prepared in accordance with SORP (the statement of recommended practice for accounting and reporting by charities), the Society's constitution and charity law. The financial statements were approved by the Executive Committee on 12th August 2019.

David Archer (Chair) 

Judith Bellis (Accountant) 

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE SNOWDONIA SOCIETY -
CYMDEITHAS ERYRI

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 30 June 2019, which are set out on pages 5 to 12.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and 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 this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed. The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the ICAEW.

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 Charities Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and the seeking explanations from you as trustees 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 give a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention 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 examinations.

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 to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



A P Filbee

11 September 2019

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CYMDEITHAS ERYRI - SNOWDONIA SOCIETY
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2019

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2019 £	Total funds 2018 £
Incoming resources from generated funds:					
Voluntary Income	3	208,855	-	208,855	77,284
Activities for generating funds	4	6,152	9,806	15,958	16,296
Investment income	5	9,295	-	9,295	7,641
Charitable Activities	6	4,732	37,937	42,669	39,785
Total incoming resources		<u>229,034</u>	<u>47,743</u>	<u>276,777</u>	<u>141,006</u>
Resources expended					
Generating voluntary income	7	29,443	-	29,443	26,674
Fundraising trading	8	22,848	9,901	32,749	32,115
Charitable activities	9	88,059	36,519	124,578	122,827
Governance	10	-	-	-	-
Total resources expended		<u>140,350</u>	<u>46,420</u>	<u>186,770</u>	<u>181,616</u>
Net (outgoing)/incoming resources		88,684	1,323	90,007	(40,610)
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
Realised gains/(losses)					
Investments		1,105	-	1,105	3,095
Net movement in funds after realised (losses)/gains		<u>89,789</u>	<u>1,323</u>	<u>91,112</u>	<u>(37,515)</u>
Unrealised gains/(losses)					
Investments		13,248	-	13,248	5,506
Net movement in funds for year		<u>103,037</u>	<u>1,323</u>	<u>104,360</u>	<u>(32,009)</u>
Total funds at 1 July 2018		392,237	346,524	738,761	770,770
Total funds at 30 June 2019		<u><u>495,274</u></u>	<u><u>347,847</u></u>	<u><u>843,121</u></u>	<u><u>738,761</u></u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses in the year. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

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BALANCE SHEET

		Unrestricted Fund 2019	Restricted Fund 2019	Total 2019	2018
	Note	£	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets					
Equipment	12	2,847	-	2,847	1,390
Heritage Asset	12	-	285,000	285,000	285,000
Investments	13	433,920	22,518	456,438	376,834
		<u>436,767</u>	<u>307,518</u>	<u>744,285</u>	<u>663,224</u>
Current assets					
Stocks		944	3,996	4,940	2,482
Debtors		12,771	-	12,771	8,241
Cash at bank and in hand		48,215	36,333	84,548	68,953
		<u>61,930</u>	<u>40,329</u>	<u>102,259</u>	<u>79,676</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year					
Creditors and accruals	14	<u>(3,423)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(3,423)</u>	<u>(4,139)</u>
Net current assets/liabilities		<u>58,507</u>	<u>40,329</u>	<u>98,836</u>	<u>75,537</u>
Net assets		<u>495,274</u>	<u>347,847</u>	<u>843,121</u>	<u>738,761</u>
Funds					
Unrestricted funds	15			495,274	392,237
Restricted funds	15			347,847	346,524
Total funds				<u>843,121</u>	<u>738,761</u>

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 12th August 2019 and signed on its behalf by:

David Archer (Chair)

David Archer

Charles Hawkins (Trustee)

Charles Hawkins

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ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2019
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1. Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance 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 the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

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

2. Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies are summarised below. The accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the year and in the preceding year.

Heritage assets

No depreciation is charged on the Heritage Asset at Ty Hyll since its residual value is considered to be at least equivalent to its revalued amount.

Tangible fixed assets

Equipment is stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is provided to write off the cost less estimated residual value of fixed assets over their expected useful lives. It is calculated on the original cost of the assets at the following rates.

Equipment - 33.33% per annum reducing balance

Investments

Investments are stated at market value as quoted on the UK Stock Exchange. Realised gains or losses from the sale of investments and unrealised gains or losses from revaluing them to current market value are included in the Statement of Financial Activities. They are classified as Fixed Assets. They are necessary for the safeguarding of the Society's activities over the long term.

Stock

Stock is valued at cost or market value, if less, where it is slow-moving.

Voluntary income

Donations are accounted for when received.

Legacies are accounted for when received.

Subscriptions are accounted for when received.

Life subscriptions are credited to income in the year of receipt.

Gift aid is recovered on donations and subscriptions, where applicable.

Charitable Activities - Grants

Credit for revenue grants is taken in the Statement of Financial Activities when the grant is received or where claimed retrospectively when the purpose for which the grant was sought has been met and the grant is calculable.

Cost Allocation

Costs are apportioned between various expenditure headings as necessary in accordance with the best estimates of the Trustees and staff.

Pensions

The Society pays defined contributions into externally managed pension plans for employees who are eligible and have entered into such contracts. Contributions are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities as they fall due.

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3. Incoming Resources - Voluntary Income

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2019 Total	2018 Total
	£	£	£	£
Donations	12,399	-	12,399	35,190
Legacies	160,432	-	160,432	2,908
Subscriptions	28,599	-	28,599	29,939
Gift Aid recovered	7,425	-	7,425	9,247
	<u>208,855</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>208,855</u>	<u>77,284</u>

4. Incoming Resources - Activities for Generating Funds

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2019 Total	2018 Total
	£	£	£	£
Sales at Ty Hyll	-	5,264	5,264	5,469
Tea Room Rent	-	4,100	4,100	4,000
Ty Hyll donations	-	442	442	417
Fundraising sales	2,662	-	2,662	314
Social Activities (net income)	3,114	-	3,114	2,199
Anniversary events	-	-	-	3,570
Other income	376	-	376	327
	<u>6,152</u>	<u>9,806</u>	<u>15,958</u>	<u>16,296</u>

5. Incoming Resources - Investment Income

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2019 Total	2018 Total
	£	£	£	£
Dividends - UK equities	9,109	-	9,109	7,172
Interest - Cash deposits	186	-	186	469
	<u>9,295</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,295</u>	<u>7,641</u>

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6. Incoming Resources - Charitable Activities

Helping Hands - previously Snowdonia Ecosystems Project

The Snowdonia Society's flagship conservation volunteering campaign is Helping Hands (previously Snowdonia Ecosystem Project). During the year the Society has received £6,000 from Snowdonia National Park Authority towards the project costs (including £4,706 of debtors in previous period). The Society received a restricted grant from Garfield Weston of £30,000 towards Snowdonia Ecosystems Project.

Other income

During the year £500 was received for Park Protectors scheme from Campaign for National Parks. The Society also received a grant of £3,000 towards the MAD weekend.

7. Resources expended - Generating voluntary income (maintenance of membership)

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2019 Total	2018 Total
	£	£	£	£
Staff time - as allocated	18,800	-	18,800	13,124
Website	212	-	212	5,555
Governance & support costs allocated	10,431	-	10,431	7,995
	<u>29,443</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>29,443</u>	<u>26,674</u>

8. Resources expended - Fundraising

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2019 Total	2018 Total
	£	£	£	£
Staff time - as allocated	11,489	-	11,489	10,599
Trading & expenses at Ty Hyll	-	9,901	9,901	4,039
Project expenses	3,216	-	3,216	11,755
Other expenses	1,928	-	1,928	537
Governance & support costs allocated	6,215	-	6,215	5,185
	<u>22,848</u>	<u>9,901</u>	<u>32,749</u>	<u>32,115</u>

9. Resources expended - Charitable activities

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2019 Total	2018 Total
	£	£	£	£
Staff time - as allocated	48,253	31,643	79,896	79,847
Projects (including Volunteer Expenses)	7,434	4,876	12,310	12,474
Governance & support costs allocated	32,372	-	32,372	30,506
	<u>88,059</u>	<u>36,519</u>	<u>124,578</u>	<u>122,827</u>

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10. Resources expended - Governance

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2019 Total	2018 Total
	£	£	£	£
Staff time - as allocated	12,231	-	12,231	9,321
Advertising	8,511	-	8,511	8,768
Affiliations	1,636	-	1,636	1,915
Bank charges	592	-	592	1,359
Caban charges (including telephone)	6,336	-	6,336	5,973
Computer software and consumables	1,420	-	1,420	914
Independent examiners fee	1,680	-	1,680	1,644
Insurance	1,163	-	1,163	1,149
Legal & Professional fees	375	-	375	-
Portfolio Management fees	3,807	-	3,807	1,470
Postage, printing and stationery	2,450	-	2,450	3,996
Ty Hyll running costs	-	-	-	-
Services - Payroll and translation	904	-	904	1,024
Training	410	-	410	706
Travelling	1,755	-	1,755	936
Trustees expenses	2,833	-	2,833	2,917
Miscellaneous (including AGM expenses)	1,491	-	1,491	674
Depreciation	1,424	-	1,424	920
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	-	-	-	-
Allocated to other costs	(49,018)	-	(49,018)	(43,686)
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Governance costs have been split between Charitable Activities, raising Voluntary Income and Fundraising as required by SORP102 on a time spent basis.

11. Staff costs

	2019 £	2018 £
Staff costs were as follows:		
Wages & salaries	112,004	103,886
Social Security	4,497	3,128
Pensions	5,915	5,876
	<u>122,416</u>	<u>112,890</u>
The average number of employees by function was		
Environmental Activities	5	6
Management & Administration	2	2
	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000.

The total staff costs in this note are a total of staff time (as allocated) in notes 7 to 10.

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12. Tangible fixed assets

	Heritage Asset - Freehold Land & Buildings	Equipment	Total
	£	£	£
Cost/Valuation			
At 1 July 2018	285,000	10,476	295,476
Additions	-	2,881	2,881
Disposals	-	(6,739)	(6,739)
At 30 June 2019	<u>285,000</u>	<u>6,618</u>	<u>291,618</u>
Depreciation			
At 1 July 2018	-	9,086	9,086
Charge for the period	-	1,424	1,424
Eliminated on disposal	-	(6,739)	(6,739)
At 30 June 2019	<u>-</u>	<u>3,771</u>	<u>3,771</u>
Net book value			
At 30 June 2019	<u>285,000</u>	<u>2,847</u>	<u>287,847</u>
At 30 June 2018	<u>285,000</u>	<u>1,390</u>	<u>286,390</u>
If Ty Hyll had not been revalued it would have been included at the following historical cost:			
		2019	2018
		£	£
Cost		<u>52,336</u>	<u>52,336</u>

Ty Hyll was valued on an open market basis on 18 July 2008 by Iwan M Williams MRICS;FNAEA.

13. Investments

	2019	2018
	£	£
Listed Investments		
At 1 July 2018	376,834	237,283
Additions at cost	84,612	328,694
Disposals at valuation	<u>(18,256)</u>	<u>(194,649)</u>
	443,190	371,328
Revaluation surplus/(deficit) in year	13,248	5,506
At 30 June 2019	<u>456,438</u>	<u>376,834</u>
Cost at balance sheet date	<u>425,750</u>	<u>359,069</u>

The Society is not subject to restrictions on wider-range investments.
Investments worth more than 5% of the total portfolio value are as follows

	No of shares	Value £
J P Morgan AM UK Ltd	6,900	23,476
T Bailey Fund Mgrs Evenlode Income C Inc	13,160	32,075
Threadneedle Investments UK Equity Income	19,480	27,050
Capita Financial Managers Trojan Income	14,160	27,604
Findlay Park Plc American Fund Unhgd	375	24,641

The cash at bank and in hand includes £23,304 held by the investment managers for future investment.

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14. Current Liabilities - Creditors and accruals

	2019 £	2018 £
Trade creditors	21	30
Accruals & deferred income	3,402	4,109
	<u>3,423</u>	<u>4,139</u>

15. Reconciliation of movement in Society's Funds

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2019 Total £	2018 Total £
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources for the year	88,684	1,323	90,007	(40,610)
Realised gains/(losses) on investments	1,105	-	1,105	3,095
Unrealised gains/(losses) on investments	13,248	-	13,248	5,506
Net addition/(reduction) to Society's funds in year	<u>103,037</u>	<u>1,323</u>	<u>104,360</u>	<u>(32,009)</u>
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
	<u>103,037</u>	<u>1,323</u>	<u>104,360</u>	<u>(32,009)</u>
Balance brought forward	392,237	346,524	738,761	770,770
Balance carried forward	<u>495,274</u>	<u>347,847</u>	<u>843,121</u>	<u>738,761</u>

16. Related Party Transactions

The Trustees and persons connected with them have received no remuneration.

During the year the following trustees received reimbursement of expenses in their role as trustees:

	£
P Weston	302
D Archer	1,511
B Lowe	214
C Hawkins	806

During the year trustees expenses of £1,752 were donated back to the Society.

17. Contractual Commitments

Dependent upon employees' choice, the Society will contribute to individual pension plans. The Society's annual commitment would amount to 6% of the gross salary of the participating employees.