

(A company limited by guarantee registered in Scotland (No. SC040247) and as a Scottish charity (No.SC005792)).

> Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2013.

## Patron, President, Chairman of Council, Council Members,

## Senior Staff and Officials.

Patron	HRH The Prince Charles, Duke of Rothesay	
Chairman of Council	Allan Bantick	Eligible to remain as Chairman until 2014 <sup>1</sup>
Vice- chair (Conservation)	David Grundy	Retired September 2012
	Dr Jon Barnes	Appointed Vice Chairman September 2012 Eligible to remain as Vice Chairman until 2015
Vice – chair (Members' Centres and Watch)	Jean Barr	Retired February 2013
	Col Patric Baird	Appointed Vice Chairman February 2013 Eligible to remain as Vice Chairman until 2016
Vice – chair (Finance)	James Ivory DL	Eligible to remain as a Vice-Chairman until 2014
Elected Members of Council	David Ashford	Retired September 2012
	Karen Chambers	Eligible for re-election to Council 2015
	Dr Tim Duffy	Eligible for re-election to Council September 2014
	Tim Hailey	Due to retire from Council 2015
	Robin Harper	Eligible for re-election 2014

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Assuming continuation in post for 6 years.

## Patron, President, Chairman of Council, Council Members,

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	Professor John Harwood	Eligible for re-election 2014
	Professor David Houston	Due to retire from Council 2014
	Dr John Sheldon MBE	Due to retire from Council 2014
	Professor Chris Spray MBE	Due to retire from Council 2015
	Amanda Forsyth	Co-opted to Council 2013 (until AGM 2013)
Convener of Conservation Committee	Dr Jon Barnes	Trustee
Company Secretary	Simon Milne MBE	Staff
Chief Executive	Simon Milne MBE	Staff
Director of Conservation	Jonathan Hughes	Staff
Director of Finance and Resources	Paul Ritchie	Staff
Director of Marketing and Business Development	Jo Pike	Staff
Auditor	Geoghegans Chartered Accountants 6 St Colme Street Edinburgh EH3 6AD	
Bankers	The Royal Bank of Scotland plc 36 St Andrew Square Edinburgh EH2 2YB	

## Senior Staff and Officials (cont).

## Patron, President, Chairman of Council, Council Members,

## Senior Staff and Officials (cont).

Investment Advisors	Brooks MacDonald Asset Management 10 Melville Crescent Edinburgh EH3 9GL
Solicitors	Morton Fraser Quartermile Two 2 Lister Square Edinburgh EH3 9GL
Registered Office and Principal Address	Harbourside House 110 Commercial Street Edinburgh EH6 6NF
Company Registration Number	SC040247
Scottish Charity Number	SC005792

#### Independent Auditor's Report to the Council and Members of the Scottish Wildlife Trust

We have audited the financial statements of the Scottish Wildlife Trust for the year ended 31 March 2013 which comprise the group and parent charitable company Statements of Financial Activities (incorporating Income and Expenditure Account), the group and parent charitable company Balance Sheets, the group and parent charitable company Cash Flow Statement and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

This report is made exclusively to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and to the charity's Council, as a body, in accordance with section 44(1)(c) of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and regulation 10 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members and the charity's Council those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity, the charitable company's members as a body and its Council as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

#### Respective responsibilities of Council and auditor

As explained more fully in the Council's Responsibilities Statement, the Council (who are directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law and trustees for the purposes of charity law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view.

We have been appointed as auditor under section 44(1)(c) of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and under the Companies Act 2006 and report in accordance with regulations made under those Acts.

Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's (APB's) Ethical Standards for Auditors.

## Independent Auditor's Report to the Council and Members of the Scottish Wildlife Trust (cont)

#### Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the group's and the parent charitable company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the Council; and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Annual Report to identify any material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

#### **Opinion on financial statements**

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and the parent charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2013, and of the group's and parent charitable company's incoming resources and application of resources, including the group's and the parent income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and regulation 6 and 8 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

#### **Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006**

In our opinion the information given in the Annual Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

## Independent Auditor's Report to the Council and Members of the Scottish Wildlife Trust (cont)

#### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the parent charitable company has not kept proper and adequate accounting records or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the parent charitable company's financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of Council's remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

#### Michael Crerar (Senior Statutory Auditor) Ju For and on behalf of Geoghegans, Statutory Auditor Eligible to act as an auditor in terms of section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

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Edinburgh

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June 2013

#### **Organisational Structure**

The Scottish Wildlife Trust was incorporated on 14 April 1964 as a company limited by guarantee and without a share capital (number SC040247). The company is a recognised Scottish Charity (number SC005792) and is governed by a Memorandum and Articles of Association<sup>2</sup> as amended by Special Resolutions passed on 13<sup>th</sup> November 1982, 6<sup>th</sup> October 2001 and 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2007.

The Trust is governed by a Council of a maximum of 14 Trustees and a Chairman. New members of Council are elected at the Annual General Meeting. A postal vote of members is conducted if there are more candidates than vacancies. All Trustees are registered at Companies House as Directors of the Scottish Wildlife Trust. Trustees must retire for a minimum of one year following two three-year periods on Council.

Council is supported by a Conservation Committee which meets four times a year and is chaired by a Convener, who may also (but not necessarily) be a Vice-Chairman of Council. The Conservation Committee is responsible for advising Council on SWT-related natural heritage conservation matters including wildlife reserves, the wider countryside, biodiversity and the development of national policy, advocacy and campaigns.

Authority to conduct day-to-day operations and the development and delivery of the Annual Operational Plan is delegated by Council to the Chief Executive.

The Chief Executive is accountable to Council for the efficient management of SWT and for the implementation of Council agreed policies and the Five Year Plan. He is assisted in this task by the Directors of the three operational departments: Conservation, Finance and Resources, and Marketing and Business Development

The support of volunteers is essential to the effective operation of the Trust. Volunteers are engaged in most Trust-related activities, including governance, running Members' Centres, serving on committees, reserve management and maintenance, Wildlife Watch groups, surveying and recording, visitor centres, species protection programmes and administration.

#### The Vision and Objectives

The 25 Year Vision - *Natural Connections – A vision for rebuilding Scotland's wildlife* - provides a contemporary perspective on nature conservation by advocating the re-building of biodiversity at an ecosystem-scale. The Vision outlines what the Trust wants to see achieved for wildlife over 25 years, what should be done and how SWT intends to contribute to this action. This Vision has placed the Trust in the vanguard of conservation reform in Scotland.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> <u>http://scottishwildlifetrust.org.uk/docs/002\_001\_general\_MemorandumOfAssoc07\_1250595044.pdf</u> <u>http://scottishwildlifetrust.org.uk/docs/002\_001\_general\_ArticlesOfAssoc07\_1250595043.pdf</u>

#### The Vision and Objectives (cont)

At the heart of the delivery of the Vision is an integrated approach by Government, the voluntary and the private sectors and the people of Scotland. It requires a strategic and spatial approach to planning and management of key threats, along with an acceptance that natural processes should be the main driver for determining the development of wildlife communities. The Vision provides the context for the Trust's Five Year Plan.

The Five Year Plan sets out the corporate objectives and operating parameters for the Trust and thereby describes how the Trust will fulfil its charitable purpose as defined by the Memorandum and Articles of Association. The current Five Year Plan was developed through a consultative process, approved by Council in December 2011 and went "live" on 1 April 2012. The Chief Executive is responsible for producing the Annual Operational Plan, the delivery of which is reviewed quarterly by Council.

#### **Partnerships**

The Trust is in the partnership of The Wildlife Trusts (TWT), which comprises the UK's 47 wildlife trusts, and is a corporate member of the Royal Society of Wildlife Trusts.

The Trust established a concordat agreement (Framework Agreement) with Scottish Natural Heritage in 1997 in order to deliver the mutual objectives of both organisations and thus to benefit Scotland's natural heritage.

The Trust works in partnership with over 30 environmental charities in Scotland through the co-ordinating body of Scottish Environment LINK. Some of the Trust's parliamentary and political work is delivered through joint working under the LINK banner.

The Trust works with a variety of other project partners including the Royal Zoological Society of Scotland, Forestry Commission Scotland, Scottish Land and Estates, Rivers and Fisheries Trust, John Muir Trust, Princes Trust for the Built Environment, Isle of Eigg Heritage Trust, Assynt Foundation, Central Scotland Forest Trust, Partnership for Action Against Wildlife Crime, Culag Community Woodland Trust, Tanera Mor, Woodland Trust Scotland, Eisg Brachaird Estate, Ardtornish Estate, and Scourie Estate.

#### **Risk Management**

The Trust's Risk Register is reviewed by Council on an annual basis. Potential "High Risk" entries are subject to a quarterly review.

Areas of potential "High Risk" identified by Council in 2012/2013 were:

- Poor financial performance which in the worst case leads to insolvency of the Trust
- Reduction/non-delivery of SNH funding through the Framework Agreement
- Significant shortfall in unrestricted funding from membership

#### Risk Management (cont)

- Significant additional annual contribution to The Wildlife Trust's Final Salary Pension Scheme
- Shortfall in (or failure to maximise) unrestricted funding from legacies

#### **Objective and Activity Delivery**

Delivery of the charitable objectives is achieved through the combined efforts of staff, volunteers and partnership projects. As a membership-based organisation, the Trust seeks to maximise the active involvement of its members in core activities, primarily through Members' Centres and volunteer reserve conveners.

As the primary non-governmental organisation for the conservation of Scottish wildlife, the Trust continues to ensure that its objectives remain relevant to the ever-changing challenges of conservation. It has a vital role to play in the conservation of biodiversity for the wellbeing and benefit of the people of Scotland and takes pride in delivering its objectives in an ambitious, cost-effective, confident, inclusive and innovative manner.

#### **Income Generation**

The principal sources of income are (not ranked):

- Membership subscriptions;
- Charitable trusts, foundations and grant giving bodies;
- Individual donations and legacies;
- People's Postcode Lottery;
- Investment income;
- Public grants;
- Business and corporate donors;
- Fundraising events.

#### People's Postcode Lottery

The rewarding partnership with the People's Postcode Lottery continued to develop with notable financial support being received (£152,000 this financial year) and increased awareness of the Trust and its objectives within Scotland being achieved. 45p in every £2 ticket goes to good causes across Great Britain, including Scottish Wildlife Trust. This unrestricted income has enabled the Trust to significantly increase the range and scale of its conservation programmes either through direct funding or to reduce financial risk in major projects.

## Achievements and Performance in 2012/13

To Champion:	
Five Year Plan Operational	Achievements in 2012/13
Objective	
Successfully campaign for	The aim is to enhance our natural capital stocks and the ecosystem
the development and	services which flow from them. This year we have:
delivery of a National	a. Informed and influenced more than 14 crucial parliamentary
Ecological Network and a set	debates
of Ecosystem Health	b. Achieved the inclusion of key SWT proposals in final draft of
Indicators in Scotland	Scottish Biodiversity Strategy
	c. Hosted an international conference on National Ecological
	Networks that promoted and advanced the debate and implementation of such naturalks
Develop and implement a	implementation of such networks
Develop and implement a biodiversity outreach	The aim is to promote biodiversity in both existing and new settlements. This year we have:
programme to the built	a. Worked with City of Edinburgh Council on completing a baseline
environment sector in order	set of urban biodiversity indicators to Convention on Biological
to enhance urban	Diversity standard criteria
biodiversity in selected local	b. Led a seminar with Edinburgh University architecture students
authority areas	on and exercise to redesign Leith waterfront development from
-	an ecological perspective
	c. Presented at 'summer school' for urban designers organised by
	Prince's Foundation at Dumfries House in Ayrshire
Achieve improved	Our vision is that marine wildlife and habitats are recovering from
conservation of the marine	past decline as our use of the seas' resources becomes
environment through the	environmentally sustainable. This year we:
Living Seas programme and	a. Worked to improve the management of fish farming in Scotland
partnership working with	by influencing the Aquaculture & Fisheries (Scotland) Bill and
Scottish Environment LINK	championing environmental sustainability through the
	Ministerial Group on Aquaculture
	b. Worked in partnership with Scottish Environment LINK to
	influence implementation of the Marine (Scotland) Act- ensuring
	that plans for Marine Protected Areas & a National Marine Plan were robust and remained on course
	c. Galvanised public support for marine conservation initiatives
	through wide-spread media coverage, web based campaigns and
	public/membership events
Have planning volunteers	Aim is to protect important places for wildlife from damaging
active in 90% of local	developments through work of local planning volunteers and staff.
authority areas	We have:
	a. Active planning volunteers now operating in 28 local authority
	areas. This year we recruited new planning volunteers in
	Glasgow and South Lanarkshire
	b. Positively influenced over 20 significant planning applications
	c. Delivered staff led planning training and advice to MCs and
	other groups

#### To Champion:

## Achievements and Performance in 2012/13

Achieve positive wildlife	Aim is to positively influence wildlife legislation and policies. We
legislation and policies by influencing the Scottish Government and Parliament through parliamentary briefings, MSP visits and public consultation responses	<ul> <li>have achieved this year:</li> <li>a. 5 detailed parliamentary briefings on subjects ranging from neonicotinoids to urban biodiversity</li> <li>b. 12 consultation responses including Scottish Biodiversity Strategy (SBS), Scottish Planning Policy, National Planning Framework 3 and Place-making</li> <li>c. 3 editions of Nature in Brief – to coincide with year of Natural Scotland and to promote value of biodiversity</li> <li>d. 16 policy meetings with Ministers/MSP and parliamentary committees</li> <li>e. 4 policy meetings with MEPs</li> <li>f. Widespread liaison with local authorities on Living Landscape, Living Seas and local conservation issues and initiatives</li> <li>g. Leading a campaign to have neonicotinoids banned. Providing written and oral evidence for Scottish Biodiversity Strategy, High Hedges Bill and Aquaculture Bill</li> </ul>
Reduce wildlife crime in Scotland through provision of advice to the Partnership Against Wildlife Crime Scotland and by tackling wildlife crime on our reserves	<ul> <li>Aim is to work with Partnership Against Wildlife (PAW) Crime to reduce such crime and assist with public information. This year we have:</li> <li>a. Provided expert advice to the Minister for Environment and PAW Executive Committee</li> <li>b. Promoted need to counter and report wildlife crime</li> <li>c. Worked on our reserves to protect vulnerable species and deter crime</li> </ul>
Implement an indicator and keystone species action plan in support of Living Landscape objectives, achieving a minimum of one species led biodiversity awareness campaign per year	<ul> <li>The aim is to ensure we focus our work on those species where we can make a real conservation impact, both for the species and the wider ecosystem. This year we have:</li> <li>a. Completed 'Species Priority List' of 24 keystone and indicator species to enable species conservation prioritisation for the current 5 year plan</li> <li>b. Successfully achieved on the ground conservation action for several species on the list including beaver, red squirrel, cranberry and Scottish primrose</li> <li>c. Played an active role in the newly formed Scottish Wildcat Conservation Group and contributed to an action plan for wildcats with partners</li> </ul>
Produce and disseminate three Policy Futures publications in order to pioneer/influence critical biodiversity issues	No progress on this due to limited Policy staff capacity

#### **To Demonstrate:**

Five Year Plan Operational Objective	Achievements in 2012/13
Implement management plans/statements for all our wildlife reserves	<ul> <li>The effective management of our 120 wildlife reserves requires the production, implementation and monitoring of a management plan for each site. Work has progressed very well across the suite of reserves. Activity has included:</li> <li>a. 13 management plans have been reviewed and, where necessary, amended</li> <li>b. New, simplified management statements have been developed as part of a full review of the management plan process</li> <li>c. Long Term Forest Plans (20 year) prepared for reserves within the Clyde &amp; Avon Landscape Partner</li> </ul>
Achieve all Level One maintenance tasks and Level Two tasks on selected sites	<ul> <li>Tasks on reserves are prioritised and delivered through a mixture of staff and volunteer effort and contractors. 87% of budgeted Level 1 tasks have been completed. Examples of projects include:</li> <li>a. Handa composting toilet</li> <li>b. Major access upgrades at Knockshinnoch Lagoons, Seaton Cliffs and Luggiebank</li> <li>c. Completion of Pease Dean Woodland Management Project</li> </ul>
Achieve favourable condition for 98% of Designated Features on our reserves	Active management by the Trust has achieved 99.32% of all designated features (SSSI's, SAC's, and SPA's) on its reserves being in favourable/recovering condition
Lead and deliver partnership objectives for Coigach/Assynt Living Landscape Project	<ul> <li>The aim is to deliver conservation at a landscape scale to show in a practical way how our vision could be achieved. This year we have:</li> <li>a. Put in place infrastructure and subsequently opened a tree nursery in the Coigach-Assynt Living Landscape (CALL) programme area</li> <li>b. Completed detailed opportunity map of the CALL area in consultation with local communities and landowning partners</li> <li>c. Collated information and project priorities from local community and partners to inform major funding application to Heritage Lottery Fund</li> </ul>
Lead and deliver partnership objectives for Cumbernauld Living Landscape Project	<ul> <li>This urban/peri-urban partnership project will enhance, restore and reconnect green areas of the town for the benefit of wildlife and the community. The project will be officially launched in May 2013.</li> <li>a. 21 of 34 projects within the Cumbernauld Living Landscape Project Plan were planned or in progress by the end of the year. Including Phase II of the largest retrofit of a Sustainable Urban Drainage System in Scotland, engaging local college students with a live marketing brief and a barn owl conservation project</li> <li>b. A Project Manager was appointed to work with programme leaders, North Lanarkshire Council and Forestry Commission and project partners</li> <li>c. Phase 1 of major access upgrade was completed at Northside Wood reserve</li> </ul>

## Achievements and Performance in 2012/13

Protect and restore peatlands by working with the IUCN Peatland Programme and implement a lowland peatland demonstration project	<ul> <li>The aim is to advocate for government investment in peatland restoration and share practical information to encourage best practice. This year we have: <ul> <li>a. Organised a sell-out conference on peatland restoration at the University of Wales, Bangor, attended by over 200 delegates from UK and abroad</li> <li>b. Produced 'Demonstrating Success' publication to disseminate best practice case studies around the peatland restoration community</li> <li>c. Held a successful workshop at the World Conservation Congress to disseminate the findings of the 'Commission of Inquiry' on peatland ecosystems to a global conservation audience</li> </ul> </li> <li>The aim of the lowland peatland project, Phase 1, is to raise more awareness of the importance of Scotland's lowland raised bogs as one of Britain's rarest habitats and also to highlight the significance of this resource in relation to carbon storage, emissions and climate change impacts. The aim of phase 2 is to support landowners to implement restoration on their lowland raised bogs. This year: </li> <li>Phase 1 <ul> <li>a. A second report was published in November 2012: A Survey of 15 Scottish Lowland Raised Bogs: Findings from a survey of lowland raised bogs with landowners supportive of restoration.</li> <li>b. A third report was published in December 2012 in co-operation with the James Hutton Institute: Restoration of lowland raised bogs in Scotland: Emissions savings and the implications of a</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
To have completed the Scottish Beaver Trial and developed (and if applicable implemented) post trial strategy	<ul> <li><i>changing climate on lowland raised bog condition.</i></li> <li><u>Phase 2</u></li> <li><i>c.</i> A project concept has been drafted for funding: Lowland Peatland Restoration Challenge. (LPRC). The aim of the project is to use a small team of advisors to support committed landowners, identified in Phase 1, to implement successful peatland restoration on their land.</li> <li>This partnership project remains on target for a successful conclusion in May 2014. This year we have;</li> <li>a. Met all Scottish Government licence conditions for the trial, including the delivery of all elements of the scientific monitoring programme</li> <li>b. Delivered 98 educational events to a combined audience of 5194 people</li> <li>c. Held a highly successful 'Beaver Tourism Experience' event in the local area in February 2013 with 40+ local business representatives in attendance</li> <li>d. Launched the 'Scottish Beaver Trial Tourism Toolkit' and 'Virtual Tour' on our website in February 2013</li> <li>e. Engaged with key decision makers at the trial site in Knapdale, and reached millions of people with special features on a wide range of television and radio shows</li> <li>f. Developed outline post-trial plans for the Knapdale beavers</li> </ul>

## Achievements and Performance in 2012/13

	g. Supported the work of the Scottish Government appointed
	Tayside Beaver Study Group
To have led and delivered	The aim is:
partnership objectives for	
Saving Scotland's Red	I. To sustain the current range and populations of the red squirrel
Squirrels Project Phase II	in Scotland in their range north of the Central Lowlands and in
	key areas of south Scotland.
	II. To gather systematic evidence on the efficacy of targeted grey squirrel control, such that robust conclusions can be drawn about its contribution to red squirrel conservation in Scotland.
	This year we have: Incorporated the Red Squirrels in South Scotland project to form one co-ordinated national project; a. Continued to deliver strategic, co-ordinated grey squirrel control
	in North East Scotland, the central lowlands and South Scotland b. Recruited a further 39 landowners to control grey squirrels under SRDP, bringing the total landowners trapping in concert with SSRS under the scheme to 195
	c. Established a systematic sampling network to determine the
	distribution of the Squirrelpox virus (SQPV) and its
	seroprevalence in grey squirrel populations in South Scotland
	and the Central Lowlands, including Fife; carried out nearly 1300 SQPV tests
	d. Developed a draft contingency plan to address the potential spread of squirrelpox into central Scotland
	e. Responded to a spread in SQPV distribution in Berwickshire by
	securing additional funding and increasing control effort in the area with the aim of stemming the spread
	f. Carried out presence/absence surveys of red and grey squirrels
	across the species interface in the Central Lowlands and
	Grampian in Spring 2012; produced a report of the survey analysis showing statistically significant increase in red squirrel distribution from Spring 2011 to Spring 2012 and a significant decline in grey squirrel distribution for the same period
	g. Expanded our presence absence surveys by 100% to cover key zones in South Scotland; recruited and prepared volunteers in all
	areas to carry out the Spring 2013 surveys
	h. Continued the collation and verification of national public
	sightings records for publication on the NBN
To have reduced total	<i>Overall reduction is 22% against 2010/11 baseline. Principle reductions have come from;</i>
annual energy consumption of SWT operations by 20%	a. Replacement of old inefficient vehicles with modern efficient
	ones
	<i>b.</i> Changes in conservation activities meaning that the vehicle fleet
	contains fewer minibuses and more small cars
	c. Moving HQ to more energy efficient premises
Complete detailed base-line	The production and implementation of the Base-line Monitoring
monitoring surveys on 10	Strategy has been deferred until 2014 due to resource constraints.
principal reserves and basic	Routine monitoring tasks have continued and include:
site-monitoring on 50 other	a. On-going monitoring carried out by volunteers on five Trust
reserves	reserves as part of Flying Flock Conservation Grazing

	<ul> <li>Programme with the trend of improvement in positive indicator species</li> <li>b. National seabird monitoring scheme on Handa Island: whilst numbers remain low compared to ten years ago, they have improved since 2008</li> <li>c. Butterfly monitoring of Atlantic Oak woods in Rahoy Hills reserve, with a decline in open habitat species as regeneration improves and a corresponding rise in woodland species, including purple hairstreak</li> </ul>
Commence integration of wildlife reserves into two new Living Landscape programmes	<ul> <li>The aim is to ensure our wildlife reserves form part of any new Living Landscape project. This year we have:</li> <li>a. Continued planning with City of Edinburgh Council to establish a partnership Living Landscape programme and set up a project board to take the initiative forward</li> <li>b. Secured commitment and funds from Aggregate Industries to carry out baseline surveys and conduct feasibility study into a Living Landscape programme in Morven</li> </ul>

To Inspire:	
Five Year Plan Operational	Achievements in 2012/13
Objective Grow membership to 50,000	<ul> <li>a. In spite of the challenging economic climate, membership continued to grow, with the Trust having 32,964 members on 31 March 2013 (a rise of 4.8% since March 2012). A booklet ("The Last Red Squirrel in Scotland?") was mailed successfully to households throughout Scotland to sign up new members; meanwhile, the Trust took face-to-face membership recruitment in-house for the first time in November 2012, with excellent results so far</li> <li>b. The National Members' Day and AGM was the biggest ever, with 300 people attending to hear a line-up of speakers that included TV naturalist, Simon King, plus Trust Ambassadors Stephen Jardine and Mark Beaumont</li> </ul>
Have a network of at least 23 members' groups	<ul> <li>a. The Trust continues to support and develop a network of 22 local groups and Members' Centres, run by over 120 volunteers, who champion wildlife at a local level, carrying out vital work throughout Scotland. Members' Centres are involved in local conservation projects, planning and fundraising and organising walks, talks and other events</li> <li>b. This year the National Members' Centre Day was hosted by Pitlochry Members' Centre, with lively debate, policy discussion, opportunities to network and practical training sessions delivered to an audience of over 50 delegates</li> </ul>
Increase our volunteer programme to include over 800 volunteers	<ul> <li>To enhance the volunteer programme, the Trust appointed a full-time Volunteering Development Officer (VDO) and set up the Volunteering Development Steering Group (VDSG) from a network of line managers already engaged in volunteer management. Together they have:</li> <li>a. Drafted the five year Volunteer Recruitment Strategy aligned with the Trust's Five Year Plan</li> <li>b. Launched a new volunteer initiative where</li> </ul>

Achieve high standards of governance in accordance with OSCR & Companies House requirements and	<ul> <li>training/accommodation incentives were provided to long- term/full-time volunteers in areas of low volunteer engagement</li> <li>c. Successfully operated the residential Handa Volunteer Programme 2012</li> <li>d. Set up a volunteers skills audit to assess future training needs</li> <li>All requirements of OSCR and Companies House have been met, and best practice guidance applied</li> </ul>
guidelines Plan an active part in the UK Wildlife Trusts' movement	<ul> <li>The Trust continues to play its part in the UK Wildlife Trust movement including:</li> <li>a. Championing and implementing Living Landscape and Living Seas UK objectives</li> <li>b. Policy and advocacy work in support of UK level campaigns</li> <li>c. Governance of The Wildlife Trusts</li> <li>d. Contributing to a range of committees and panels</li> </ul>
Reach 20,000 per year through informal education and/or wildlife recreation programmes and self- guided walks	<ul> <li>e. Sharing knowledge and best practice</li> <li>Inspiring people to enjoy, learn about and take action for wildlife remains a core activity for the Trust. This work has included:</li> <li>a. A diverse and exciting programme of public events, guided walks and talks. The Trust engaged with an audience of over 15,000, exceeding the annual target of 14,000, and on target to achieve Operational Objectives of 20,000 by 2014</li> <li>b. A full programme of events which are featured in the Events and Activities booklet which is circulated to a readership of over 40,000, and is now also available on the Trust's web-site</li> <li>c. Following the redevelopment and reopening of the Falls of Clyde Visitor Centre an innovative and engaging programme of public events was launched. Designed to reach out and appeal to new and existing audiences of families and visitors; the new programme features guided walks, family festivals and a diverse range of workshops</li> </ul>
Have a sustainable network of 30-35 Wildlife Watch groups	Scottish Wildlife Watch is the junior membership of the Trust, and through its network of volunteer led Wildlife Watch Groups, provides an opportunity for young people to explore, learn about and care for the natural world around them. This year eight new groups were established, with a total of 28 groups now actively engaging with young people from as far north as Golspie down to Newcastleton in the Borders.
Deliver formal education programmes to 12,000 people per year through Visitor Centres and major project education programmes Experts for Nature - Developing Ecological	Delivery of Formal Education Programmes at Visitor Centres, Reserves and through major projects reached an audience of over 9000 learners this year. With further development of new major project education programmes the Trust is on target to achieve Operational Objectives of 12,000 people by 2014 The aim is to provide 18-month field-based practical ecological survey training, provided by staff and volunteer experts with a range of
Surveying Skills Project	relevant specialities. The trainees also benefit from a unique Professional Development Award, accredited by SQA.

	<ul> <li>This year 2012-13:</li> <li>a. The first group of 10 trainees successfully graduated in November 2012. By the end of March 2013 they were all gainfully employed in ecological survey work and two of these were self-employed</li> <li>b. IIn May 2012, the Heritage Lottery Fund approved additional funding towards another training programme and the remaining funding was generously donated by Trust members</li> <li>c. The second group of 10 trainees were recruited from a pool of 425 applicants and the training programme started in mid- March 2013 and will end mid - September 2014</li> </ul>
Provide at least 30,000 people annually with a positive wildlife experience through our Visitor Centres	<ul> <li>a. Visitor number targets were met and the Trust continued to receive excellent feedback on the quality of the visitor experience</li> <li>b. A new business model for Falls of Clyde was introduced – with the Visitor Centre staffed only at busy times - in order to make more of the opportunities provided by the whole site, particularly the reserve</li> </ul>
Recruit, train and retain a highly motivated and productive staff team	<ul> <li>To ensure the recruitment and retention of a motivated and productive staff team we have successfully recruited all 40 of 2012-13 vacancies through the Trust's Recruitment and Equal Opportunities Policies. These covered four permanent replacement vacancies and various Projects, Seasonal, Maternity cover and Community Jobs Programme positions.</li> <li>a. A total of 200 formal days training were taken up across all departments</li> <li>b. A newly designed competency-based Performance Development Review (previously Appraisal) was launched in December 2012 with a review due in May 2013</li> <li>c. Senior Management Team engaged all employees with a series of regional fora</li> <li>d. The first Employee Net Promoter Score exercise was undertaken</li> </ul>
Reach 50% of the population of Scotland through celebration of our 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations in 2014	a. Plans continued in preparation for the Trust's 50th Anniversary celebrations in 2014, during which we aim to reach 50% of the population primarily through media, social media and wider PR activities

#### Support Objectives:

Five Year Plan Operational Objective	Achievements in 2012/13
Maintain levels of financial reserves required by Council	See Financial Review
Operate within the Council approved annual budget	See Financial Review
Secure sufficient restricted funding to secure the project	This year we have raised over <b>£1.2 Million</b> of restricted funding including:
programme	a. Secured £120k towards the development of the Cumbernauld Living Landscape, enabling the appointment of a Development
	Manager combined with on-the-ground work b. Secured £582k to fund Phase 2 of Saving Scotland red Squirrels

## Achievements and Performance in 2012/13

Minimise any negative impacts of our operations on the environment	<ul> <li>(2012-14) including £117k raised from individual donors</li> <li>Coordinated the development of a multi-million pound, multi- partner, application to the Heritage Lottery Fund in support of the Coigach – Assynt Living Landscape on track for submission in May 2013</li> <li>A number of initiatives are being progressed including solar electricity generation at HQ premises, installation of videoconferencing equipment and the replacement of ageing ICT</li> </ul>
Provide and maintain a safe and healthy working environment for our staff, volunteers, members and visitors	<ul> <li>equipment with more energy efficient equivalents</li> <li>The Trust continues to ensure that the highest standards of health and safety are maintained. Initiatives this year include: <ul> <li>a. Guidance and training for volunteers</li> <li>b. Driving safety</li> <li>c. Review and promulgation of alcohol and drugs policy</li> <li>d. Lone worker safety</li> <li>e. Wildlife reserves risk management</li> <li>f. Tick bite prevention</li> <li>g. Stress management</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Strengthen our brand, enhance our reputation and raise our public profile. To include strong media coverage and a strong online presence	<ul> <li>The profile of the Trust continues to grow:</li> <li>a. The Trust's website received over 1.6 million hits over the financial year, with our now world-famous osprey webcam at Loch of the Lowes proving particularly popular. Visitors came from 176 different countries worldwide, including Papua New Guinea, Cuba, Kyrgyzstan and Botswana</li> <li>b. The Trust continued to attract media coverage (broadcast, print and online) across a wide range of subjects from ospreys, beavers and red squirrels to lowland raised bogs, national ecological networks and neonicotinoids</li> <li>c. The Trust's presence on social media continued to grow, particularly on Twitter and Facebook, whose targets were exceeded significantly</li> </ul>
Maintain and enhance the operational effectiveness of operational infrastructure for information technology, general administrative support and data management	A number of issues are being progressed including the installation of videoconferencing equipment and the replacement of ageing fileservers
Achieve the highest standards of supporter care for our members, donors, legacy pledgers and partners	<ul> <li>The aim is to ensure that our supporters feel valued by, engaged with and informed about, the Scottish Wildlife Trust. This year we have:</li> <li>a. Delivered a legacy giving message through a targeted direct mail campaign and increased the number of known legacy pledgers to 155</li> <li>b. Hosted 5 events designed around key individual donors and supporters</li> <li>c. Submitted 186 grant funder reports</li> <li>d. Developed and monitored a formal Complaints Register – reporting minimal complaints to the Fund Raising Standards Board</li> </ul>

## **Financial Review**

#### Income

Total incoming resources for the year fell markedly as expected. The principle causes were lower income from people's postcode lottery and government grants from training / employing young people.

#### Expenditure

Total resources expended also fell markedly as expected, mainly the result of lower costs associated with training / employing young people.

#### **Investment Policy and Performance**

The value of SWT's investment portfolios increased substantially during the year, in line with rises in the wider stock markets.

Council approved the following Investment Policy in March 2006:

"To invest any moneys of SWT not immediately required for its purpose in investments with a bias towards income generation and to target growth of income and capital over the long term. The investment portfolio should have a relatively low risk profile within an asset allocation which is currently 65%–75% UK equities and 25%–35% fixed interest securities. SWT will not invest in securities of organisations whose activities are, on balance, incompatible with its aims and objectives."

The implementation of the policy is monitored with the assistance of our Investment Managers, Brooks MacDonald. There are two formal meetings annually between Council members, staff and Investment managers.

#### Surplus / Deficit

The budget for the year suggested a significant deficit. The actual result was a modest surplus, the biggest single factor behind this difference being the substantial investment gains seen during the year.

#### **Balance Sheet**

The most notable changes in balance sheet values during the year has been the rise in the value of investments and the decline in cash balances, which is what would be expected given an operating deficit being offset by investment gains.

#### **Consolidated Result for the Year**

Ben Mor Hydro Ltd was established during the previous year and is a 50:50 joint venture between the Trust and the Coigach Community development Company. It continues to run a feasibility study to assess the potential of operating a commercial hydro electricity generation plant on the Trust's Ben Mor Coigach estate. The feasibility is expected to cost £150,000 with 90% the costs being underwritten by a loan from Community Energy Scotland

During 2012/13 the Trust's share of Ben Mor Hydro's Ltd losses amounted to £12,013 (2012: £20,295).

#### **Financial Reserves Policy**

Council reviewed and changed its policy during the year. The changes reflect the different mix of funding streams the trust now benefits from. The current policy is;

"SWT aims to retain sufficient free funds to ensure the effective delivery of the 5 year plan. To this end it aims to maintain unrestricted funds in the range £750,000–£1,250,000".

It recognises that due to variability of income (particularly legacies) funds may sometimes be outside this range. Where this is the case plans will be made that reflect all of the circumstances at that time.

Free funds (being unrestricted funds not designated nor invested in tangible fixed assets) at 31 March 2013 were £1,133,465. This towards the top of the of the target range and reflects legacy income stock markets both having been reasonably strong over recent years. The budget for 2013/14 shows a modest deficit.

#### **Future Priorities**

The strategic aims and objectives for 2013/14 are detailed in the Five Year Plan: "Our Nature, Our Future". Of particular note are:

#### **To Champion**

- Supporting the development of national Ecosystem Health Indicators
- Campaigning for and influencing the development and implementation of a cohesive network of Marine Protected Areas and for effective marine spatial planning
- Shaping biodiversity friendly national policy and legislation and delivering ecosystem bases conservation across Scotland land, seas, freshwater and urban areas

#### To Demonstrate

- Maintain our network of wildlife reserves in favourable condition and to showcase effective wildlife friendly land management techniques in the countryside and urban environment
- Lead and deliver partnership objectives for Coigach-Assynt Living Landscape and Cumbernauld Living Landscape projects
- Successful completion for the Scottish Beaver Trial
- Successful continuation of Saving Scotland's Red Squirrels project
- Protection and restoration of peatlands

#### **To Inspire**

- Increase membership and maintain an effective network of members' groups and Wildlife Watch groups
- Deliver the World Forum on Natural Capital
- Increase and enhance the volunteer programme
- Maintain first class visitor centres and wildlife engagement programmes
- Reach 50% of the population through celebrating our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary

#### **Supporting Objectives**

- Provision of a safe and healthy working environment
- Maintain levels of financial reserves required by Council
- Implement a legacy marketing campaign
- Secure sufficient funding for the project programme
- Strengthen the Trust's profile and reputation
- Maintain high levels of membership care
- Maintain a highly motivated and productive staff team

## **Thanks**

This Annual Report demonstrates the impressive breadth and depth of work carried out by the Scottish Wildlife Trust. Council offers its congratulations to our members, volunteers, staff, donors, legators, charitable trusts, and corporate and public bodies for their wonderful generosity, dedication and support. Particular thanks go to Scottish Natural Heritage, Biffaward, and People's Postcode Lottery for their impressive and much needed assistance

#### **Allan Bantick**

Director and Chairman of Council

List of funders and supporters The Scottish Wildlife Trust thanks all those who pledged or gave support during the financial year 2012-2013.



The support from players of People's Postcode Lottery has continued this financial year, bringing with it increased profile for the Trust in addition to a very generous £152,000. 45p in every £2 ticket goes to good causes across Great Britain, including Scottish Wildlife Trust. We've now received £2,259,472 thanks to players.

The flexible funding from this relationship has enabled us to increase the range and scale of our conservation programmes as well as reduce financial risk in major projects.



Scottish Natural Heritage provide invaluable support for the work of the Scottish Wildlife Trust through an annual framework agreement which this year provided £325,000 of unrestricted funding. Amongst other things, this funding has helped us to attain favourable condition for over 99% of the designated features found on our wildlife reserves.

In 2012/13, Scottish Natural Heritage also provided restricted funding for several projects, most notably £175,000 towards the Saving Scotland's Red Squirrels project.

#### **Corporate Members**



#### Business donations and sponsorship (listed in alphabetical order)

Bivolino Borders Biscuits Calachem Carillion Natural Habitats Fund Chevron Upstream Europe Community Windpower Ltd Kier Minerals Ltd Macrae Edinburgh Ltd Robertson Scottish Hydro Griffin Community Fund Scottish Power Scotwork UK LLP SSE Renewables Syngenta Talteg Ltd The House of Bruar William Grant & Sons

#### Landfill Communities Fund (in alphabetical order)

Aberdeen Greenspace Trust Angus Environment Trust



Glasgow City Council

Highland Council North Ayrshire Council North Lanarkshire Environmental Key Fund Perth & Kinross Quality of Life Trust SITA Tayside Biodiversity Fund WREN

#### Charitable Trusts, Foundations and Other Grant-giving Bodies (in alphabetical order)

Albert George & Nancy Caroline Youngman Trust AM Pilkington Charitable Trust Argyll & the Islands LEADER 2007-2013 Programme Awards for All **Central Scotland Green Network Clark Bradbury Charitable Trust** East Ayrshire Coalfield Environment Initiative **Craignish Trust Cycle Scotland Dolly Knowles Charitable Trust Englefield Charitable Trust** Esmée Fairbairn Foundation Falkirk Environment Trust Forestry Commission Scotland Forth Valley & Lomond LEADER 2007-2013 Programme Garfield Weston Foundation **Gunter Charitable Trust** Henderson Charitable Trust Heritage Lottery Fund - Skills for the Future Highland LEADER 2007-2013 Programme **Hugh Fraser Foundation Inchcape Foundation** J & J R Wilson Trust Leach No 14 Trust Loch Lomond and Trossachs National Park Authority Lucy Mary Ewing Charitable Trust **Mackintosh Foundation** Margaret Davis Charitable Trust Martin Connell Charitable Trust Martin Wills Wildlife Maintenance Trust Moray LEADER 2007-2013 Programme People's Postcode Lottery

People's Trust for Endangered Species **Red Squirrel Survival Trust Rees Jeffreys Road Fund Robertson Trust Ronald Miller Foundation** Royal Society of Wildlife Trusts Scottish Government - Environment and Forestry Directorate Scottish Natural Heritage Scottish Rural Development Programme - Rural Priorities Scottish Rural Development Programme - Woodlands In and Around Town Southern Upland Partnership Stirling Environment Trust St Katharine's Fund Susan H Guy's Charitable Trust Rural Tayside LEADER 2007-2013 Programme Tennant Southpark Charitable Trust The Astor of Hever Trust The Carpenter Charitable Trust The D'Oyly Carte Charitable Trust The European Nature Trust The Gannochy Trust North Ayrshire Council The James Thin Charitable Trust The John Ellerman Foundation The St Katherine's Fund **Tubney Charitable Trust** Vellore Trust The John Ellerman Foundation The Robertson Trust The Ronald Miller Foundation **Youngman Trust** 

#### **Scottish Wildlife Trust Members Centres**

We extend our thanks to the local fundraising efforts of our 21 Members Centres whose activities raised over £30,000 in 2012/13.

#### **Individual Donations and Legacy Gifts**

In 2012/13, the Scottish Wildlife Trust received almost £600,000 from gifts in wills. This is an invaluable form of support for our work, and we extend our sincere thanks to the families and friends of all those who have given to the Trust in this way. Legacy income has underpinned SWT's development over the past 49 years, and such gifts remain at the heart of our ability to be responsive, pioneering and to plan for the future.

**SWT Foundation Members** (*listed alphabetically*) support the work of the Scottish Wildlife Trust through significant donations and/or pledges of gifts in their will – we thank them for their valued patronage.

Mr J Abbot Dr R Adams Mrs S Alexander Mr & Mrs R & A Ansley Ms R Atkins & Mr A Holt The Rev I Atkinson Mr W Balfour Miss J Ball Mr A Bantick Mrs H Bantick Dr J & Mrs K M Barnes Mrs S M Barrett Mr W H & Mrs H Barron Miss R Bean Miss C Bell Ms S Benson Dr M Beveridge Ms M Boyd Mrs D Braithwaite Mrs E F Brown Mr & Mrs A D & J P Bruce Mrs J Burnett Miss N Butcher Mr & Mrs W F & D P Buttery Ms M Cameron Miss M Carlaw Mr M & Mrs G Carpenter & Family Mr R & Mrs M Cinderey Mrs S Cochrane Mrs B & Mr P Cowie Dr D Davies Miss H Deans Miss C Didcock Mr & Mrs G & J Doel Mr J Done Mr J Duerden The Reverend S M Dyer Mr P Edwards

Mrs J Egginton Miss C Emerson Miss J Errington & Family Miss M Espin Mr J H & Mrs L B Fairweather & Family Mrs H Falconer Miss L Farrell Dr M Faulds Mrs R J & Mr N Fawthorp & Family Miss B Forbes-Adam (dec'd) Mr H Fowlie & Family Ms R Garton Miss S Gash Mr A S & Mrs S Gingell Mr J Graham Mrs M Gray Mrs M Hall Mr Eddie Hallam Mr J Hamilton Miss H Hannah & Mr P Costigane Miss R Hannah Mr G & Mrs M Hanson Mrs D Hebden Mr M J Helmn & Ms W F Harries Mr J & Mrs F Hewlett Mr B & Mrs L Howard Mrs M Howatson Miss J Howes Mrs W Hunter Mr & Mrs S & J B Hutcheson Ms M Hutchison & Mr J Napier Dr C T Ironside Mr. I Ivorv Miss E H Jackson Mr D Jamieson Dr G Johnson

Mrs M Johnstone Mr & Mrs A Jones Mrs E & Mr F Kania Miss J Kellett Ms J Kemp Mr A Kerr Mr K Knowles Dr J S Lamb MB ChB Mr J Lee & Family Mr J Lugton Mrs B Lunn Dr D Lunt Mr A Lyburn Mr C & Mrs S MacDowall Mr N Mackenzie Dr R & Mrs M MacLean Mr C Macpherson **Professor A Manning & Family** Miss I Marsh Dr R Maskell & Family Mrs K Maxwell-Stuart & Family Mr H McCallum Mr D H McColgan Mr F McIntosh Mr G E McIntyre (dec'd) Mrs R McKibbin Mrs C A McLauchlan Mr Colin McLean (dec'd) Dr D McLean Mr T McLellan Mr C McLeod Miss A McLure & Miss L Edgar Mr J M McMillan, Ms B Marr & Family Mrs F McRae Mr D & Mrs C Mitchell Dr J Moody Dr C Morgan Mr D Nall (dec'd)

#### SWT Foundation Members (cont)

Mrs A W Nasmyth	Mr C Rouse
Professor J Nugent	Miss D Rowling (dec'd)
Dr M E Nugent	Mr R J & Mrs T Russel
Miss I Oswald	Mr A E H Salvesen
Miss D S Palmer	Dr H Salzen BSc PhD
Mr Ian and Mrs Fay Pascoe	Mr & Mrs H Scott
Miss J Pinkney	Miss L Scoular
Mr R Pollock	Dr J Sheldon
Mr A Porteous	Mr & Mrs J Sherwood
Miss A Prior & Mr G Campbell	Mrs A J & Mr T Smit
Dr N Raitt & Family	Mrs E M Smith
Mrs M Ramsay	Mr D Somervell, Ms D Armstrong & Family
Mrs J Rawlings	Mr D Spink
Ms A Reece	Lt Cdr E F B Spragge RN
Mrs E Reid	Mrs K Spurgin
Mrs J & Mr A Richardson	Miss D Standring
Mr P Ritchie	Mr J R & Mrs E Stanier
Mrs J Robertson	Mr G G Stewart
Mr J Robertson	Mr J G & Professor A M Stewart
Dr M Rogers	Mrs M Sutcliffe
Mrs M Ross	Mr R & Dr A Swinfen
Mr P R & Mrs J Ross & Family	Mr & Mrs T Tait

Mr M Tasker Dr & Mrs R G Taylor Ms C Templeton-Sanchez Mrs G & Mr C Thomson Miss F Thorburn Mrs B Thorp Mr N & Mrs H Tinlin **Miss S Treger Miss E Valentine** Dr Owen Vaughan Mrs V J Wagner Miss H Walshaw & Miss S Walshaw Mrs P Ward Mr D Way & Family Miss I Wilkie Miss D V Wilson Mrs A H Windsor (dec'd) Dr T & Mrs J Woodford Mr I Wylie Mr D Yeaman

We also thank the many other individual donors and supporters, too numerous to mention by name.

#### Employees 2012-2013

John Aitkin Andrew Atkin Suzanne Allan Alan Anderson **Christopher Archbold** Lindsay Bamforth Jean Baxter Hugh Bell **Rosemary Black** David Blair Scott Bland Stephen Blow **Cherry Bowen** Georgina Bowie James Boyce Nancy Brassey Alison Bruce **Duncan Budge** Michael Butler William Buttery Sarah Byers Scott Cameron Glen Campbell John Cavanagh Anna Cheshier John Chester **Duncan Clark** Nicholas Clooney Sarah Cooper Arnau Cortes Palacios Eric Coull David Cowie Michael Coyle Laura Cunningham (Shepherd) Laura Cunningham (Catkin) Niall Currie **Christopher Darling Oliver Davies Rhian Davies** Edward Degnan

Kelly Ann Dempsey Lesley Dickinson **Catherine Douglas** Stuart Downie Gillian Dowse Jennifer Dunn Michael Elm Kenneth Fairlie Joyce Finlay **Kaye Forbes** Mark Foxwell Danny French Valerie Gall Steven Gardner **Romany Garnett** Claudia Gebhardt Lindsey Gibb Brian Gibson Peter Gilbert Sophie Gilbert David Glassford Eleanor Graham Peter Grant Katy Green **Viv Halcrow** Stephen Hardy Scott Heggie **Olwen Hemmings Caroline Hendry** Elaine Hill Wendy Hill Johnathan Hughes Darren Hunter Paul Innes Isabel Isherwood **Robert Jardine** Helen Jones Simon Jones Sibyl Kadel Margaret Keegan

James Kennedy lan Kerr Anthony King Alexander Kinninmonth James Law Michael Lennon Fraser MacDonald Joshua Mackay Ian Mackenzie Mhairi Mackintosh James Mann Lyndsay Mark Katrina Martin Donna Mathieson David Maxwell Morag McAdam John McCabe James McColm Martin McComb Ryan McConnell Paul McDonald Kim McEwan Janet McFarlane Heather McGowan **Rvan McGrattan** David McMillan Heather McPhail Patrik Menis William Merrilees Simon Milne Adam Murphy David Mylan Robert Needham Kenneth Neil John Neill Carl Neumann **Russel Nisbet** Alison O'Hara Amy O'Hara Scott O'Hara

#### Employees 2012-2013

**Christine Oines Kevin Oliver** Lewis Pate **Abbie Patterson** Joanne Pike Jonathan Pinnick **Thomas Plant Robert Potter** Ainoa Pravia Fernandez Samuel Purkis Karen Ramoo Steven Ramsay Sven Rasmussen **Emma Rawling** Gail Renwick Marilyn Ritchie Mark Ritchie Paul Ritchie **Cara Roberts Keith Roberts Colin Ross** Jessica Ryder **Rory Sandison Robin Saunders** Jennifer Schwarz Rowena Seagrave **Craig Shepherd** Portia Simpson **Gillian Smart** Ann Smith Laura Smith Caleb Smith Berry Jordan Stamper Keith Stephen **Colin Stewart Robyn Stewart** William Stirrat John Strain Laura Sturgeon **Corrine Thompson** 

James Thompson **Douglas Thomson Michael Thomson Gregory Tinker** Jane Tonkin Ludwig Traut **Deborah Tribak Caroline Vevers Charles Waddell** Julian Warman Gordon Watt **Thomas Wells** Laura Whitfield Alistair Whyte **Cameron Williams** Paul Williams Blair Wilkie Colin Wilkie Stephen Willis Bruce Wilson Craig Wilson Scott Wilson Sean Wilson Nicholas Wright **Angela Yates** Lynn Yuill Peter Yule

### **Council's Responsibilities Statement**

The Council (who are directors for the purposes of company law and trustees for the purposes of charity law) are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the Council to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and the group and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable group for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Council are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The Council are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and the group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

In so far as the Council are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditor is unaware; and
- the Council have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information.

Approved by the Council on 26 June 2013 and authorised to sign on its behalf:

Allan Bantick Chairman of Council

# **Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities (Incorporating Income and Expenditure Account) for the Year Ended 31 March 2013**

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowments	2013 Total	2012 Total as restated
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE		£	£	£	£	£
Incoming Resources	Notes					
Generated funds						
Individual Giving - Subscriptions & Donations		1,160,779	163,336		1,324,115	1,413,923
Individual Giving - Legacies		554,657	42,107		596,764	263,847
People's Postcode Lottery		152,000			152,000	685,962
Investment income		52,076		47,415	99,491	99,769
Charitable Activities						
Scottish Natural Heritage		325,000	208,864		533,864	642,437
Landfill Communities Fund			323,263		323,263	449,877
CJS/Training for Work / Future Jobs Fund			130,250		130,250	678,838
Other Grant Makers / Charitable Trusts	2	10,725	693,891		704,616	516,763
Business Support		24,350	21,433		45,783	21,184
Commercial Contracts		8,865			8,865	68,798
Other - Sales / Admissions / rents / fees		27,103	262,093		289,196	280,569
Other Incoming Resources						
Asset sales			63,539		63,539	44,615
Total Incoming Resources	-	2,315,555	1,908,776	47,415	4,271,746	5,166,582
Resources Expended						
Costs of Generating Funds						
Fundraising & membership		485,259	3,572	8,439	497,270	541,745
Charitable Activities						
Inspire	6	377,063	683,336	0	1,060,399	1,053,674
Champion	6	181,657	120,401	0	302,058	215,479
Demonstrate	6	1,012,936	1,578,046	61,562	2,652,544	3,269,823
Governance	8	123,229	0	0	123,229	120,634
Total Resources Expended	-	2,180,144	2,385,355	70,001	4,635,500	5,201,355
Net Incoming/(Outgoing) Resources before	-					
transfers		135,411	(476,579)	(22,586)	(363,754)	(34,773)
Transfers between funds		(399,577)	408,967	(9,390)	0	0
Net Incoming/(Outgoing) Resources for the year	3					
		(264,166)	(67,612)	(31,976)	(363,754)	(34,773)

## Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities (Incorporating Income and Expenditure Account) for the Year Ended 31 March 2013 (cont)

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowments	2013 Total	2012 Total as restated
	£	£	£	£	£
Share of Operating Loss of Joint Ventures	(12,013)	0	0	(12,013)	(20,295)
Realised Gains on Investments	13 5,317	0	1,949	7,266	(80,349)
Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses					
Net Income (Expenditure)	(270,862)	(67,612)	(30,027)	(368,501)	(135,417)
Unrealised gains (losses) on investments	13 234,453	0	265,203	499,656	115,768
Net Movement in Funds	(36,409)	(67,612)	235,176	131,155	(19,649)
Balances brought forward at 1 April 2012	2,430,079	2,626,807	1,774,615	6,831,501	6,851,150
Balances carried forward at 31 March 2013	2,393,670	2,559,195	2,009,791	6,962,656	6,831,501

The consolidated Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses in the year. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing operations

The notes that follow form part of these financial statements

# Charity Statement of Financial Activities (Incorporating Income and Expenditure Account) for the Year Ended 31 March 2013

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowments	2013 Total	2012 Total
Net Incoming/(Outgoing) Resources for the year	3	(264,166)	(67,612)	(31,976)	(363,754)	(34,773)
Realised Gains on Investments	13	5,317	0	1,949	7,266	(80,349)
Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses						
Net Income (Expenditure)		(258,849)	(67,612)	(30,027)	(356,488)	(115,122)
Unrealised gains (losses) on investments	13	234,453	0	265,203	499,656	115,768
Net Movement in Funds		(24,396)	(67,612)	235,176	143,168	646
Balances brought forward at 1 April 2012		2,450,374	2,626,807	1,774,615	6,851,796	6,851,150
Balances carried forward at 31 March 2013	-	2,425,978	2,559,195	2,009,791	6,994,964	6,851,796

As the joint venture did not generate any income during the period since its incorporation to 31 March 2013 there is no requirement to present its share of the gross incoming resources of the joint venture on the face of the consolidated SOFA. The consolidated and charity SOFA are therefore identical down to Net incoming/ (outgoing) resources for the year.

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses in the year. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing operations

<b>Consolidated and Charity Bala</b>	nce Shee	et as at 31 l	<b>March 2013</b>			
		Consol			Charity	
		2013 2012		2013	2012	
		£	£	£	£	
	Notes					
Fixed Assets						
Wildlife reserves	10	1,048,858	1,046,059	1,048,858	1,046,059	
Other property and buildings	11	1,085,815	1,142,056	1,085,815	1,142,056	
Other tangible fixed assets	12	212,367	326,389	212,367	326,389	
Investments	13	1,915,660	1,673,082	1,915,660	1,673,082	
Investments - Cumbernauld endowment	13	1,195,566	1,054,228	1,195,566	1,054,228	
Investments - Irvine endowment Joint Venture	13	859,104	744,696	859,104	744,696	
- Share of Gross Assets	14	11,725	22,042	0	0	
- Share of Gross Liabilities	14	(44,033)	(42,337)	0	0	
		6,285,062	5,966,215	6,317,370	5,986,510	
Current Assets						
Stock		24,624	29,320	24,624	29,320	
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	15	850,928	578,368	850,928	578,368	
Cash balances		391,236	900,972	391,236	900,972	
		1,266,788	1,508,660	1,266,788	1,508,660	
Current Liabilities						
Creditors: amounts falling due within a year	16	(589,194)	(643,374)	(589,194)	(643,374)	
Net Current Assets		677,594	865,286	677,594	865,286	
Net Assets		6,962,656	6,831,501	6,994,964	6,851,796	
Financed by Funds						
Endowment funds	17	2,009,791	1,774,615	2,009,791	1,774,615	
Restricted funds	18	2,559,195	2,626,807	2,559,195	2,626,807	
Unrestricted funds						
Revaluation Reserve		438,690	199,315	438,690	199,315	
Other Unrestricted Funds		1,954,980	2,230,764	1,987,288	2,251,059	
Total Unrestricted	19	2,393,670	2,430,079	2,425,978	2,450,374	
Total Funds		6,962,656	6,831,501	6,994,964	6,851,796	

The Financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by Council on 26 June 2013 and were signed on its behalf by:

Allan Bantick Director and Chairman of Council Company Registration No: SC040247

# Consolidated and Charity Cash Flow Statement for the year ended 31 March 2013

	2013 £	2012 £
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	(621,937)	90,025
Returns on investments and servicing of finance		
Investment income	99,491	99,769
Capital Expenditure and Financial Investment		
Payments to acquire investments (unrestricted)	(215,843)	(693,383)
Proceeds from disposal of investments (unrestricted)	225,535	700,429
Payments to acquire investments (endowment)	(169,872)	(522,817)
Proceeds from disposal of investments (endowment)	181,278	529,532
Net Movement in cash flows attributable to endowment		
investments	11,406	6,715
Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets	(71,919)	(348,253)
Proceeds from disposal of tangible fixed assets	63,531	47,181
Financing		
Net Movement in cash flows attributable to endowment investments	(11,406)	(6,715)
Increase/(Decrease) in cash	(509,736)	(97,517)

### **1. Accounting policies**

#### **Basis of accounting**

The Financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the inclusion of investments shown at market value, and are in accordance with applicable accounting standards in the United Kingdom and the Accounting and Reporting by Charities – Statement of Recommended Practice 2005, the Companies Act 2006, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

The Trust's activities are funded by a diverse range of restricted, unrestricted and endowment income. In the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA), the split of expenditure between unrestricted, restricted and endowment is based on how the majority of the underlying activity is funded, with transfers between funds being made to ensure closing fund balances are correct.

#### Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the charitable company's share of its Joint venture, Ben Mor Hydro Limited. In accordance with the requirements of the SORP, the joint venture has been accounted for on a gross equity method.

The charitable company also has an investment in a dormant subsidiary, Natural Capital Scotland Limited, which was incorporated in the year with the intention of that company manages the World Forum on Natural Capital planned for November 2013.

#### Fixed assets

Fixed assets costing over £2,500 are included in the Balance Sheet at cost. Depreciation is provided on all fixed assets, with the exception of wildlife reserves, in the year in which the fixed assets are purchased. The rates of depreciation are calculated so as to write off the costs of each asset evenly over its expected useful life as follows:

Properties – owned	25 - 50 years
Properties – leasehold improvements	Remaining lease term
Properties – fixtures and fittings	4 years
Plant and Machinery	6 years
Vehicles	3 years

Office Equipment	4 years
Computers and Software	3 years

Depreciation is not provided on nature reserves where the Council considers that the residual values of such assets are in excess of their book value and that any consequent charge for depreciation would not be material.

### Investments

Quoted investments are stated at market value, unquoted at par value on the basis that Council do not consider them readily realisable. Net investment gains/losses for the year are shown in the Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Financial Activities.

Investment income is credited to the Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which it is receivable.

### Stock

Stock is comprised of goods for re-sale and is valued at the lower of cost or net realisable value.

#### **Operating leases**

Operating lease rentals are charged on a straight line basis over the lease term.

#### Taxation

The company is registered as a charity with HMRC and is therefore not liable for taxation to the extent that any surplus or gains arising are wholly applied to its charitable objects. Consequently, all taxation recoverable or estimated to be recoverable has been incorporated in the financial statements.

The company is registered for VAT. Much of the income is either exempt or out-with the scope of VAT. Consequently, it is not possible to recover all the VAT incurred on expenditure.

#### **Incoming Resources**

Income is recognised as it becomes receivable.

#### Membership subscriptions and donations

Subscriptions and donations are credited to the Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Financial Activities on a cash basis. Specific amounts are allocated to specific accounts and funds following the wishes of their donor.

#### Legacies

Legacies are recognised as income when there is entitlement, certainty of receipt and measurability of the legacy.

### **Members Centres**

The transactions of the Members Centres have been incorporated into the charity and consolidated statements of financial activities and their bank balances included in the charitable and consolidated balance sheets.

### Grants

Grants are credited to the Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which they are receivable. Grants received for specific purposes are accounted for as restricted funds. Grants are not recognised as receivable until the conditions for receipt have been met.

#### Pensions

SWT makes contributions on behalf of its employees to two separate pension schemes. The Wildlife Trusts defined benefit scheme and a stakeholder (money purchase) scheme. Contributions to the money purchase scheme are accounted for on an actual basis. The Fund for the defined benefit scheme is valued every three years by a professionally qualified independent actuary, the rates of contribution payable being determined by the actuary. In the intervening years the actuary reviews the continuing appropriateness of the rates. However, as the defined benefit scheme is run in such a way that SWT is unable to identify its share of the underlying assets and liabilities, contributions are also accounted for on an actual basis.

### **Charitable activities**

Expenditure on charitable activities includes both direct charitable expenditure and an appropriate proportion of support costs for the meeting SWT's charitable objective to "advance the conservation of Scotland's biodiversity for the benefit of present and future generations" The Trust's current 5 year plan splits it's charitable activities into three areas; Champion, Demonstrate and Inspire. Prior year figures have been restated to reflect this change in presentation only. Expenditure is allocated between categories on a

cost centre by cost centre basis and is accounted for on an accruals basis, including irrecoverable VAT where applicable.

#### Support costs

Support costs include the head office functions of general management, finance, information communications technology, human resources and health and safety. These costs are allocated across the costs of generating funds and the various categories of charitable expenditure on the basis of the direct expenditure incurred. Support costs allocations for the prior year have been amended to reflect the changes to categories of charitable activities as explained above.

### Fundraising costs

Fundraising costs include membership administration and recruitment, the fundraising team and the communications team.

#### **Governance costs**

Governance costs include the costs of staff time in dealing with the strategic as opposed to day-to-day management of SWT's activities, the cost of the statutory audit, the expenses of Council members and the Annual General Meeting.

# 2. Grants

The principle grant funders included within "Other Grant makers / charitable trusts" in the Statement of Financial Activities were as follows;

2013	2012
£	£
-	13,128
5,000	-
15,750	-
5,520	-
9,910	-
17,625	-
13,354	
69,002	27,000
11,386	-
10,000	-
25,000	-
154,126	204,404
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	2013	2012
	£	£
Highland Leader	35,708	5,654
John Muir Trust	5,000	5,000
Loch Lomond & Trossachs National Park	10,000	-
Moray Leader	14,993	-
Peoples Trust for Endangered Species	-	10,000
Red Squirrel Survival Trust	22,000	13,621
Red Squirrels in South of Scotland	8,000	-
Renfrewshire Leader	-	16,698
The Robertson Trust	50,000	-
Scottish Government (inc WIAT, SRDP)	75,689	106,258
Spey Bay Leader	-	16,295
Tayside Leader	48,461	24,964
The D'oyly Carte Charitable Trust	5,000	-
The Wildlife Trusts	48,240	37,952
Tubney Charitable Trust	-	22,240
J & JR Wilson Trust	10,000	-
Other grants <£5k	34,852	13,549
	704,616	516,763

# 3. Net incoming/ (outgoing) resources for the year is stated after charging:

	2013 £	2012 £
Auditors' remuneration - current year	6,250	6,000
Auditors' remuneration - other services	400	650
Depreciation on fixed assets	239,391	216,260
Operating leases	88,956	87,952
Professional indemnity insurance	890	398
4. Staff numbers and costs	2013 £	2012 £
	-	-
Wages and salaries	2,094,558	2,461,183
Social security costs	177,313	195,704
Pension costs	219,502	197,673
	2,491,373	2,854,560
Redundancy costs	3,700	49,231
TOTAL	2,495,073	2,903,791

One employee had emoluments exceeding  $\pm$ 70,000 but not more than  $\pm$ 80,000 (2012: one employee exceeding  $\pm$ 60,000 but not over  $\pm$ 70,000). This employee is not a member of the defined contribution pension scheme (2012: None).

	2013	2012	
	No	No	
Permanent	57	59	
Projects/Seasonal	27	23	
Trainees (weekly average)	<u>12</u>	<u>59</u>	

The staff costs in relation to trainees are met by Government agencies and do not therefore constitute a cost to SWT. Staff numbers are calculated on a full time equivalent basis.

#### 5. Council members' remuneration and expenses

No member of Council received any remuneration from SWT. Expenses in relation to travel and subsistence costs relating to attendance at Council meetings were paid to 6 Council Members (2012: 5) and amounted to £9,490 (2012: £8,268).

#### 6. Charitable activities

	Direct Expenditure £	Support Costs £	2013 £	2012 £
Inspire	919,409	140,990	1,060,399	1,053,674
Champion	261,898	40,160	302,058	215,479
Demonstrate	2,299,870	352,674	2,652,544	3,269,823
	3,481,177	533,824	4,015,001	4,538,976

#### 7. Support Costs

The total support costs have been apportioned to the various Trust activities on the basis of direct expenditure as follows;

	Fundraising	Inspire	Champion	Demonstrate	Governance	2013	2012 (as restated)
Support Costs	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Finance	12,528	27,376	7,798	68,479	3,181	119,362	110,668
Head Office	15,889	34,722	9,890	86,856	4,035	151,392	235,941
Human Resources	20,080	43,879	12,499	109,761	5,099	191,318	181,204
Management	8,104	17,711	5,045	44,300	2,058	77,218	76,504
Health & Safety	1,483	3,241	923	8,107	377	14,131	15,077
Information Technology	6,434	14,061	4,005	35,171	1,634	61,305	46,109
	64,518	140,990	40,160	352,674	16,384	614,726	665,503

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#### 8. Governance costs

The costs of governance can be broken down as follows:

	2013 £	2012 as restated £
Management	81,788	84,087
Statutory audit	7,500	7,000
Trustees expenses	9,489	8,169
AGM	8,068	5,918
Direct Costs	106,845	105,174
Support Costs	16,384	15,460
Total Costs	123,229	120,634

#### 9. Pension arrangements

During the year SWT made pension contributions to the following Schemes:

	2013 £	2012 £
The Wildlife Trusts Pension Scheme	104,368	96,602
Friends Provident - Stakeholder Scheme	115,134	100,215
Personal Pensions Schemes	-	856
	219,502	197,673

### The Wildlife Trusts Pension Scheme

SWT participates in the Wildlife Trusts Pension Scheme, a hybrid multi-employer pension scheme, which provides benefits to members on a defined benefit or a defined contribution basis, as decided by each employer.

SWT participates only in the defined benefit section. However, the Scheme is run in such a way that SWT is unable to identify its share of the underlying assets and liabilities of the defined benefit section. Therefore, the pension charge shown in the financial statements is the amount of contributions payable by SWT during the year ended 31 March 2013. However, while the underlying share of assets and liabilities cannot be readily identified, Council has taken the decision to designate funds on an annual basis to meet the potential liability arising under the Scheme. Further details of this designated fund are included in note 19 to the financial statements.

Contributions to the defined benefit section of the Scheme are determined on the basis of triennial actuarial valuations carried out by an independent, qualified actuary. The last full valuation was carried out as at 1 April 2010. At that point scheme assets were £7.4m and represented 65% of liabilities. All employers in the scheme increased their contributions to a level which should see the scheme 100% funded by 2021.

The overall scheme deficit calculated at 1 April 2010 was £3.985m, of which the estimated share of the liabilities attributable to the Scottish Wildlife Trust was estimated to be in the region of just over £907,000. However, it should be noted that this is a notional liability as the Scheme actuary is unable to identify the share of the assets and liabilities of the respective members on a consistent and reliable basis.

Since the full actuarial valuation at 1 April 2010, an interim valuation has been completed at 1 April 2012 which indicated that the overall scheme deficit had risen to £7.752m. Scottish Wildlife Trust's required payment in 2012/13 was £104,369 (2012: £96,602). Under the current recovery plan contributions are expected to rise by 2.8% per annum until 2021.

#### 10. Wildlife reserves

	2012	Additions	Disposals	Depreciation	2013
	£	£	£	£	£
Wildlife reserves	1,046,059	2,799			1,048,858

In addition to the above the charity also leases a number of reserves for preservation and conservation purposes. The costs associated with entering into these leases are expensed as incurred.

# **11. Other property and buildings (Net Book Values)**

	2012 £	Additions £	Disposals £	Depreciation £	2013 £
Owned					
Montrose Basin Wildlife Centre	540,620	-	-	(28,453)	512,167
Loch of the Lowes	208,825	-	-	(10,991)	197,834
Largiebaan	36,621	-	-	(868)	35,753
Balgavies Loch	6,846	-	-	(166)	6,680
Bawsinch & Duddingston	6,093	-	-	(142)	5,951
Leasehold Improvements					
Bemersyde Moss	3,434	-	-	(286)	3,148
Falls of Clyde	216,057	-	-	(17,145)	198,912
Hare & Dunhog Moss	906	-	-	(302)	604
Loch of Lintrathen	7,733	-	-	(491)	7,242
Handa Island	32,069	5,728	-	(3,559)	34,238
Harbourside House, Leith	59,912	4,340	-	(6,445)	57,807
Fixtures & Fittings					
Montrose Basin Wildlife Centre	-	-	-	-	-
Falls of Clyde	-	-	-	-	-
Loch of the Lowes	22,940	8,450	-	(5,911)	25,479
	1,142,056	18,518		(74,759)	1,085,815

# 12. Other tangible fixed assets

	Plant & Machinery £	Motor Vehicles £	Office Equipment £	Computers £	Total £
COST	L	L	L	L	L
As at 1 April 2012	180,000	613,626	10,589	168,530	972,745
Additions	13,979	36,623	-	-	50,602
Disposals		(119,506)			(119,506)
As at 31 March 2013	193,979	530,743	10,589	168,530	903,841
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>					
As at 1 April 2012	152,123	381,347	-	112,878	646,348
Charge for year	12,172	120,119	2,118	30,223	164,632
Disposals		(119,506)			(119,506)
As at 31 March 2013	164,295	381,960	2,118	143,101	691,474
NET BOOK VALUE					
As at 31 March 2012	27,877	232,279	10,589	55,652	326,397
As at 31 March 2013	29,684	148,783	8,471	25,429	212,367

### 13. Investments

The investment powers of SWT are contained in the Memorandum of Association allowing investment of "the monies of SWT not immediately required for its purposes in or upon such investments, securities or property as may be thought fit, subject nevertheless to such conditions (if any) and such consents (if any) as may for the time being be imposed or required by law and subject also as hereinafter provided".

Brooks MacDonald Asset Management is responsible for the day-to-day management of the investments and the custody of the related documents of title. All investments are held in the UK.

	Unrestricted	d Main Fund	Cumbe	rnauld	Irv	ine
Group and Parent	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Market Value of securities at 1 April	1,471,752	1,653,451	919,160	994,713	644,842	699,963
Purchases	215,843	693,383	78,370	278,495	91,502	244,322
Disposals	(50,923)	(873,312)	(46,481)	(377,196)	(27,654)	(313,484)
Donated Shares	12,500	-	-	-	-	-
Gains / Losses	239,770	(1,770)	147,995	23,148	119,157	14,041
Market value of securities at 31 March	1,888,942	1,471,752	1,099,044	919,160	827,847	644,842
Cash	26,718	201,330	96,522	135,068	31,257	99,854
Market value at 31 March	1,915,660	1,673,082	1,195,566	1,054,228	859,104	744,696
Cost at 31 March	1,476,970	1,473,767	883,183	874,949	607,428	602,749

The market value of investments representing more than 5% of the total portfolios is as follows: Impax Environment – Specialist manager that invests in the transition to a cleaner global economy £318,602

The unrestricted main fund includes unquoted securities of £12,500 valued at par.

#### 14. Investment in Joint Venture

The charitable company entered into a joint venture last year with the Coigach Community Development Company. The joint venture company, Ben Mor Hydro Limited, was incorporated on 11 July 2011 with the intention of undertaking a feasibility study into constructing a hydro electricity generating plant on SWT's crofted estate north of Ullapool, with the aim of generating income for distribution to its members.

The total of the charitable company's 50% share of the joint venture, Ben Mor Hydro Limited, per the unaudited statutory financial statements as at 31 March 2013 was as follows:

Income and Expenditure Account	period ended 31/3	
	<u>2013</u> <u>£</u>	<u>2012</u> <u>£</u>
Income	0	0
Administration Expenses	(12,013)	(20,295)
Share of loss before tax	(12,013)	(20,295)
Taxation	0	0
Share of loss for the year	(12,013)	(20,295)
Balance Sheet	As at 3	31/3
	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Share of assets: Current Assets	11,725	22,042
Share of liabilities: Due within 1 year	(44,033)	(42,337)

# Net Assets / (Liabilities) (32,308)

### 15. Debtors

Group and parent Amounts falling due within one year	2013 £	2012 £
Sundry debtors	23,830	31,140
Prepayments and accrued income	397,261	162,332
Income tax recoverable	42,282	31,568
VAT	7,520	16,603
Grants receivable	380,035	336,725
	850,928	578,368

Sundry debtors at 31 March 2013 included £8,000 due from Ben Mor Hydro Limited, the charitable company's joint venture undertaking, under a loan facility dated 5 April 2012. This loan is unsecured, repayable on demand and bears interest, which is payable in arrears, at an annual rate of 1% above LIBOR.

(20,295)

#### 16. Creditors

Group and parent Amounts falling due within one year:	2013 £	2012 £
Obligations under finance leases	-	-
Other taxation and social security	48,626	51,509
Other creditors	514,389	561,011
Prepaid Income	26,179	30,854
	589,194	643,374

#### 17. Endowment funds

The Cumbernauld Fund was set up in 1995 with £832,000 received from the Cumbernauld Development Corporation. The Irvine Fund was set up in 1996 with £530,000 received from the Irvine Development Corporation. Both funds were established to enable SWT to manage the town's green spaces in perpetuity for the benefits of the residents and wildlife. Any unspent balance and gains/losses arising are credited back to the endowment fund

Group and parent	Balance as at 31 March 2012 £	Investment Income £	Other Income £	Expenditure £	Investment Gains £	Balance as at 31 March 2013 £
Cumbernauld endowment fund	1,038,269	27,622	-	(44,340)	147,995	1,169,546
Irvine endowment fund	736,346	19,793	-	(35,051)	119,157	840,245
Total	1,774,615	47,415	-	(79,391)	267,152	2,009,791

#### **18. Restricted Funds**

Group and Parent	Balance at 1 April 2012	Income Received	Expenditure	Transfer	Balance at 31 March 2013
Restricted funds > £50k	£	£		£	£
Property	1,029,046	-	(59,015)	-	970,031
Wildlife Reserves	1,027,785	-	-	-	1,027,785
Saving Scotland's Red Squirrels	67,533	532,475	(464,294)	-	135,714
Other Funds	502,443	1,376,301	(1,862,026)	408,947	425,665
	2,626,807	1,908,776	(2,385,335)	408,947	2,559,195

# 19. Unrestricted Funds

	2013 £	2012 £
Consolidated General Funds brought forward	2,430,079	2,547,964
Net (outgoing)/incoming resources	135,411	1,102,170
Investment gains (losses)	239,770	(1,770)
Share of Operating Loss of Joint Ventures	(12,013)	(20,295)
General Funds before transfers	2,793,247	3,628,069
Transfers between funds	(399,577)	(1,197,990)
Consolidated General Funds carried forward	2,393,670	2,430,079
Less: Share of Operating Loss of Joint Ventures	32,308	20,295
Charity General Funds carried forward	2,425,978	2,450,374

Movements on Designated Funds	Balance at	New	Changes to	Spend	Balance at
	01/04/2012	designation	designations	in year	31/03/2013
SWT Foundation					
Saving Scotland's Red Squirrels	330,000				330,000
Beaver Reintroduction Trial	77,631			(16,685)	60,946
Wildlife Reserve Signage	49,271			(919)	48,352
Cumbernauld Living Landscape Project	77,338			(3,841)	73,497
Coigach Assynt Living Landscape Project	98,864			(15,486)	83,378
Wildlife Reserve Maintenance / Improvements	0		543,848	(543,848)	0
Edinburgh Living Landscape Project		10,000			10,000
Total SWT Foundation	633,104	10,000	543,848	(580,779)	606,173
Trialling New Methods of members Recruitment	54,029		(49,191)	(4,838)	0
Business Development Activity	50,000			(671)	49,329
Landscape Architecture	30,000				30,000
Land Agent	20,000				20,000
SWT Energy Efficiency	35,000				35,000
Pension Deficit	300,000		50,000		350,000
TOTAL DESIGNATED FUNDS	1,122,133	10,000	544,657	(586,288)	1,090,502

## Scottish Wildlife Trust Foundation

Council has a policy of designating all unrestricted legacy income through the SWT foundation. Spend in a number of areas was held back this year given the financial challenges that were apparent part way through the year.

- 1) Saving Scotland's Red squirrels the project continues to progress well and remains in surplus, hence no call on the designated fund this year
- 2) Beaver Reintroduction Trial the project continues to progress to plan. It is expected that the remaining fund balance will be utilized over the remaining 18 months of the project
- 3) Wildlife Reserve Signage many of the signs installed a few years ago are now looking very shabby. This, along with updated logo / brand guidelines led Council to set aside £60,000 to fund a programme of improvements. Work is ongoing.
- 4) Cumbernauld Living Landscape a project officer is now in post. A much larger fund is desirable given the aspirations for a flagship project over an extended time period.
- 5) Coigach Assynt Living Landscape a project officer has been appointed and plans are developing well. A much larger fund is desirable given the aspirations for a flagship project over an extended time period.
- 6) Wildlife Reserve Maintenance / Improvements income from legacies is set aside each year for the purpose of maintaining and enhancing the Trust's wildlife reserves.
- 7) Edinburgh Living Landscape A new project currently under development

### Other designated funds;

- 1) Trialing New Methods of Membership Recruitment this fund has been eliminated and all related spend will be met from annual operating budgets in future
- 2) Business Development Activity Council has approved a marketing and business development strategy which aims to generate new streams of income for the Trust. This fund will help underwrite the costs of the World Forum on Natural Capital planned for November 2013
- 3) Landscape Architecture this project was delayed and will be reconsidered in 2013/14
- 4) Land Agent this project was delayed and will be reconsidered in 2013/14
- 5) SWT energy efficiency this project was delayed and will be reconsidered in 2013/14
- 6) Pension Deficit Council has stated an intention of designating an average of £50,000 per annum until the total designation matches the estimated liability in the final salary pension scheme

# 20. Net cash (outflow)/inflow from operating activities

	2013	2012
	£	£
	404.455	(40, 640)
Net (outgoing)/incoming resources	131,155	(19,649)
Investment income	(99,491)	(99 <i>,</i> 769)
Donated Shares	(12,500)	0
Realised Gains on Investments	(7,266)	80,349
Unrealised Gains on Investments	(499 <i>,</i> 656)	(115,768)
Share of Operating Loss on Joint venture	12,013	20,295
Depreciation	239,391	216,260
(Gain) on sale of fixed assets	(63 <i>,</i> 539)	(44,615)
(Increase) in stocks	4,696	(2,072)
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	(272,560)	298,480
(Decrease)/increase in creditors - excluding leases	(54,180)	(243,486)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	(621,937)	90,025

# 21. Analysis of changes in cash during the year

	2013	2012
	£	£
Balance at the beginning of the year	900,972	998,489
Balance at the end of the year	391,236	900,972
Net cash inflow/(outflow)	(509,736)	(97,517)

# 22. Analysis of fund balances between net assets

	General Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds £
Fixed Assets	169,703	2,177,337	-	2,347,040
Investments	1,915,660	-	2,054,670	3,970,330
Net Current Assets	308,307	381,858	(44,879)	645,286
	2,393,670	2,559,195	2,009,791	6,962,656

### 23. Financial Commitments

The annual commitment under non-cancellable operating leases and their expiry dates were as follows:

	2013 Land and buildings £	2012 Land and buildings £
Within one year Within two to five years After more than five years	13,312 16,910 58,734	15,488 13,730 58,734
	88,956	87,952

### 24. Contingent Liabilities

The Trust is a member of a multi-employer pension scheme as disclosed in note 9. As such the Scottish Wildlife Trust has a contingent liability for the share of the Scheme deficit borne by the other 17 scheme employers in the event of one or more of those employers becoming insolvent. The Council consider that the likelihood of such an event occurring and having a material impact on the charitable company's liabilities to be remote.

### 25. Notified legacies unrecognised at the balance sheet date

At the balance sheet date the Trust had been notified of 17 legacies that were not fully recognised in the Trust's financial statements as they were not sufficiently reliably measurable to meet the conditions for recognition. Four of these were residual legacies that are subject to life interests held by third parties. The likely income from these is in the region of £200,000. Of the remainder, 13 were residual and 1 pecuniary, the likely income being in the region of £500,000.