Trustees' Annual Report for the period							
	Period start date				Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
From	01	04	2025	To	31	03	2026

Reference and administration details

Charity name	The Seabird Group	
Other names charity is known by		
Registered charity number	SC038820 in Scotland and 260907 in England and Wales	
Charity's principal address	58 TRAMWAY ROAD	
	LIVERPOOL	
	MERSEYSIDE	
	ENGLAND	Postcode: L17 7AZ

Names of the charity trustees on date of approval of Trustees' Annual Report

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Alex Bond	Chair		
2	Nina O'Hanlon	Secretary	12/11/2025-31/3/2026	Appointed at AGM by membership vote
3	Alice Edney	Treasurer		
4	Antoine Grissot	Membership Secretary		
5	Ingrid Pollet	Journal Editor		
6	Debs Allbrook	Newsletter Editor	12/11/2025-31/3/2026	Appointed at AGM by membership vote
7	Jeff Stratford	Website Officer		
8	Anne Ausems	Assistant Journal Editor	12/11/2025-31/3/2026	Appointed at AGM by membership vote
10	Jacqui Glencross	Early Career Officer		
11	Katrine Siddiqi-Davies	EDI Officer		
12	Alena Lemazina	Social Media Manager	12/11/2025-31/3/2026	Appointed at AGM by membership vote
13	Lauren Evans	Newsletter and Social Media	12/11/2025-31/3/2026	Appointed at AGM by membership vote

Reference and administration details

Names of all other charity trustees during the period, if any, (for example, those who resigned part way through the financial period)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
Andie McQuillan (Secretary)	1/4/2025 - 12/11/2025
Amy King (Newsletter Editor)	1/4/2025 - 12/11/2025
Eryn Shinnie (Social Media Manager)	1/4/2025 - 12/11/2025
Debs Allbrook (Newsletter and Social Media)	1/4/2025 - 12/11/2025
Katherine Booth-Jones (Katherine Booth-Jones)	1/4/2025 - 12/11/2025

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document	The Seabird Group is an unincorporated association and the purposes and administration arrangements are set out in our constitution.
Trustee recruitment and appointment	The officers and ordinary members shall be elected by the Annual General Meeting and shall normally serve for four-year terms except in exceptional circumstances. Officers and ordinary members are not eligible for re-election to the Executive Committee until the Annual General Meeting following that at which their term of office expires, except for the Treasurer and both Editors who may be eligible for immediate re-election.

Objectives and activities

Charitable purposes	The Seabird Group is a body devoted to the promotion of study and conservation of seabirds. The Group aims to (1) increase the amount and quality of research on seabirds, particularly in Europe and its waters, (2) educate Group members and others of the importance of seabirds and their environment, and (3) advocate the conservation of seabirds.
Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects	Production of journals and newsletters. Disbursement of grants for seabird monitoring. Holding of The Seabird Group International Conference, usually biannually.

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the financial period	Seabird newsletter produced and distributed to members. Design, printing and distribution of latest issue of Seabird journal Disbursement of grants to: 4 grants to individuals for general seabird research (SG Grants) 3 grants to individuals for training opportunities (SG EDI Grants)

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	The committee decided in 2011 to keep a reserve of approximately £7000 – this would allow us to continue to offer the services for a year in the event that funding streams cease. It has been identified that the continuation of the charity long term is dependent on maintaining the membership at the current level. Based on the current accounts we have also increased membership rates to cover the cost of journal production which is our major cost.
Details of any deficit	
Donated facilities and services (if any)	

Other optional information

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	ALICE EDNEY	
Position (e.g. Chair)	Treasurer	
Date	10th October 2026	

Independent examiner's report on the accounts v2

Report to the trustees/members of	**THE SEABIRD GROUP**
Registered charity number	**SC038820**

On the accounts of the charity for the period

Period start date				Period end date		
Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
01	**04**	**2025**	**to**	**31**	**03**	**2026**

Set out on pages	FOLLOWING THIS	(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner	The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) 2005 Act and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.
Basis of independent examiner's statement	My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.
Independent examiner's statement	In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention [~~other than that disclosed on the attached page*~~] 1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements: • to keep accounting records in accordance with section 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and • to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations have not been met, or 2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:	Christine Ross	**Date:**	3rd November 2026
Name:	CHRISTINE ROSS		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):			
Address:	LAIRG COMMUNITY CENTRE		
	MAIN STREET		
	LAIRG		
	IV27 4DB		

*Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply. If the words do apply, set out those matters which have come to your attention on the following page.

Disclosure section

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose

APPENDIX 2

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THE SEABIRD GROUP

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date Day	Month	Year	to	Period end date Day	Month	Year
	01	04	2025		31	03	2026

Section A Statement of receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total funds current period to nearest £	Total funds last period to nearest £
A1 Receipts						
Donations	6,624				6,624	5,767
Legacies					-	
Grants	4,000				4,000	
Receipts from fundraising activities	4,000				4,000	6,445
Gross trading receipts					-	
Income from investments other than land and buildings					-	
Rents from land & buildings					-	
Gross receipts from other charitable activities					-	
					-	
A1 Sub total	14,624	-	-	-	14,624	12,212
A2 Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	14,624	-	-	-	14,624	12,212
A3 Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading payments					-	
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	7,066				7,066	5,534
Grants and donations	2,728				2,728	3,855
Refunds					-	50
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination	85				85	85
Preparation of annual accounts					-	
Legal costs					-	
Other					-	
					-	
A3 Sub total	9,879	-	-	-	9,879	9,524
A4 Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
A4 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	9,879	-	-	-	9,879	9,524
Net receipts / (payments)	4,745	-	-	-	4,745	2,688
A5 Transfers to / (from) funds					-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	4,745	-	-	-	4,745	2,688

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Section B Statement of balances

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash and bank balances at start of year	35,221				35,221	32,533
	Surplus / (deficit) shown on receipts and payments account	4,745				4,745	2,688
						-	
						-	
	Cash and bank balances at end of year	39,966	-	-	-	39,966	35,221
	(Agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	-	-	-	-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Market valuation to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B2 Investments				
		Total	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (if available) to nearest £	Current value (if available) to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B3 Other assets					
		Total	-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B4 Liabilities				
		Total	-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (estimate) to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B5 Contingent liabilities				
		Total	-	-

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature*	Print Name	Date of approval
		ALICE EDNEY	10 October 2026

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Section C Notes to the Accounts

C1 Nature and purpose of funds *(may be stated on analysis of funds worksheets)*

C2 Grants

Type of activity or project supported	Individual / institution	Number of grants made	£
SG Prject Grants	Individuals	4	1,978
SG EDI Grants	Individuals	3	750
Bank Charge and Correspondant Fee for Foreign Payment of Grants	Individuals	3	45
		Total	2,773

C3a Trustee remuneration

If no remuneration was paid during the period to any charity trustee or person connected to a trustee cross this box (otherwise complete section 3b)	x

C3b Trustee remuneration - details

Authority under which paid	£

C4a Trustee expenses

If no expenses were paid to any charity trustee during the period then cross this box (otherwise complete section 4b)	

C4b Trustee expenses - details

	Number of trustees	£
Alex Bond - fuel costs for travelling to BTO Thetford to sort Seabird Group archives	1	64
Jeff Stratford - website and email expenses	1	353
Debs Albrook and Amy King - Newsletter expenses	1	409

C5 Transactions with trustees and connected persons

Nature of relationship	Nature of transaction	Transaction amount (£)	Balance outstanding at period end (£)

C6 Other information

C2 Grants includes expeniture for sending foreign pyments to international grant recipients

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Additional analysis (1)

Analysis of receipts and payments

1 Donations

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Membership	4,915				4,915	4,767
Journal Sponsorship	1,000				1,000	1,000
Alada Books SL Royalties	709				709	
					-	
Total	6,624	-	-	-	6,624	5,767
	-	-	-	-	-	-

2 Grants

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £			Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
JNCC Seabird Monitoring Grant x2	4,000				4,000	
					-	
					-	
					-	
Total	4,000	-			4,000	-
	-	-			-	-

3 Gross receipts from other charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-

4 Payments relating directly to charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Journal	4,822				4,822	4,851
Newsletter	527				527	454
Payment and renewal to online CrossReference	272				272	229
IT expenses (website and emails)	411				411	
Membership platform (MemberMojo)	95				95	
Bank charges	45				45	
Fuel and mileage	64				64	
BUFF thank you for exiting ExComm members	830				830	
					-	
Total	7,066	-	-	-	7,066	5,534
	-	-	-	-	-	-