FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 205153

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# ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS ALTON, HASLEMERE, PETERSFIELD & DISTRICT BRANCH INDEX TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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#### ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

#### ALTON, HASLEMERE, PETERSFIELD & DISTRICT BRANCH

#### COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND ADVISERS

Committee members:

Mrs V Kemp

Mrs H. Woodrow

Mr J Leston

Ms D Fowler

Mr N Fowler

Ms C Houghton Mrs D Andrews

Mrs D Andrey Mr L Brown (Chairman and Hon.Treasurer)

(Deputy Chairman and Facebook)

(Hon.Secretary)

(Hon Membership Secretary)

(Homing Co-ordinator) up until 31st December 2019

(Website)

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#### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

The Committee present their draft report for the year ended 31 December 2019.

Chairman and Hon. Treasurer

Deputy Chairman and Facebook

Hon. Secretary

Hon Membership Secretary

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#### Objects, organisation and activities

The objectives of the RSPCA Alton Haslemere Petersfield & District Branch are to promote animal welfare and help the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (the Society) in the branch area. Our main objective is to find suitable homes for as many animals as possible and provide proper care for those who come into its care. A secondary objective is to provide financial assistance to those on low incomes whose animals are in need of veterinary treatment. The branch is very involved in fundraising to achieve these aims.

#### Constitution

The charity is constituted as an unincorporated association. The charity operates as an autonomous branch of the National RSPCA (Charity Number 219099), subject to its rules for branches.

The branch is run by a Committee who are trustees of the branch. This Committee is elected at the AGM and is usually recruited from existing volunteers and supporters or by recommendations. The branch will also use local volunteer centres. All new Trustees will be sent an information pack from HQ who also run training courses. Trustees have individual and collective responsibility for the management of the branch and the funds. Subject to the supervision of the Society, the Committee controls and monitors all the fundraising and animal welfare initiatives of the branch. The trustees hold monthly meeting at which all decisions are made as to the running of the Branch. However, the Branch does work closely with HQ staff and where applicable other RSPCA Branches.

#### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019 (cont.)

#### Chairman's review of the year

During 2019 we received just over f26,000 from the National Door to Door campaign and have managed to do a few fundraising events during the year including holding our second Dog Show on Lion Green as part of the Haslemere Festival. Again, this was a very successful event and seemed to be enjoyed by all who took part. It was filmed and put on YouTube.

We have been talking about opening a shop in our branch area and 2019 was the year this finally happened. In conjunction with Solent Branch we have opened a shop in Petersfield which is doing very well. (Due to the current coronavirus situation it is obviously shut at the moment, but we are hoping it will open as soon as it is possible). Donations and volunteers are always required and more information is available on our Facebook page.

I would like to thank every member of our Committee for all the sterling work they do, and to thank John as Secretary for his great support. During 2019 we also appointed a Deputy Chairman. This is a new position for our Branch and Heather has given a lot to this role thank you. Di and Norman are still handling the branch mobile phone dealing with welfare requests, Di is also our Membership Secretary and Norman has been our Homing Coordinator during this year. Sadly, he felt he should stand down from this position and Heather has taken this on temporarily. We are hoping to appoint a new Coordinator later this year who will also take on a role as a Trustee on the Committee. Thanks also to Chris for her continued work on the website and setting up our new one, I am also very grateful to Delia and Laurie for help and support during the last year.

On behalf of the Committee, I would also like to thank the veterinary practices who support us and our other volunteers who help by fundraising, emptying boxes etc. and generally helping us achieve all that we do. Our thanks also go to A&N for continuing to allow us to use their offices for all our meetings.

our website address is <u>www.rspca-altonhaslemerepetersfield.org.uk</u> our email addresses have changed and can be found on the back of this report as can the relevant telephone numbers.

#### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019 (cont.)

#### Risk Statement

The branch has carried out a review to identify the key risks and has taken appropriate steps to mitigate them.

The key risks identified are:-

- (a) The loss of reputation due to error, or fraud.
- (b) The loss of income due to error, or fraud.
- (c) The loss of income and reserves due to poor investment performance.
- (d) The loss of reserves due to savings being held which exceed the FSCS threshold.
- (e) Insufficient numbers of volunteers for fundraising activities.
- (f) Insufficient numbers of trustees to allow the branch to continue.
- (g) Insufficient funds to allow the branch to meets its objectives.
- (h) Loss of reputation if it is perceived to not be using its available reserves in a positive manner to meet the stated aims and objectives.

In the opinion of the Trustees the Branch policies and procedures are adequate to mitigate financial and reputation loss due to error, or fraud whilst maintaining a viable future financially. The controls in place are also adequate but are being monitored to help strengthen the Branch in any way deemed appropriate. The numbers of volunteers and trustees is being addressed, especially in light of having recently lost the skills of several valued committee members.

#### **Public Benefit**

The trustees have given consideration to how the Charity considers it benefits the public. It achieves this amongst other ways by education of the general public to help alleviate suffering of animals which might otherwise suffer due to neglect and ill treatment. In addition, the Charity provides homing and neutering services for animals which would otherwise possibly roam unchecked and cause a nuisance in the local region. Through the dedication and love of animals we try to pass on to others the benefits to life that can be bought through owning animals.

#### Reserves Policy

The branch holds reserves in order that levels of service provided for animal welfare may be maintained should there be a continued decline of incoming resources. Despite all efforts the fundraising levels continue to fall with more competition amongst Charities for the goodwill and generosity of the general public and our membership, via the RSPCA's headquarters is declining.

Without Legacies, which are irregular and unpredictable, though highly welcomed, expenditure may well exceed income. For this reason the Trustees believe that Reserves should be maintained to ensure a safe long term future for the branch. If however opportunities, such as when the Cattery arose, which will offer long term financial savings then the trustees will consider them even if the initially reduce the reserves of

#### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019 (cont.)

the Charity. Where Legacies are received the size of the income will dictate how the trustees can make best use of the funds in order to achieve the stated aims of the Charity. The trustees are aware that the Charities reputation can be damaged where the general public perceive that funds are being hoarded and not used in a positive manner.

The Trustees will, via their monthly management meetings, monitor the reserves and policies and take appropriate action to ensure that the reserves policy is adhered to and that the reserves comply with the guidelines issued by the Charities Commission.

#### **Investment Policy**

At 31 December 2019 the branch investment policy was:-

- (a) The Current Bank Account operates with a preserved daily balance. Any excess or deficit is swept to or from the Business Premium Account on a daily basis. This prevents the Current Account from becoming overdrawn.
- (b) To continue to review funds held on deposit in our base rate reward account.
- (c) The M&G Equity fund should be maintained.
- (d) The Charishare Common Investment fund and Charinco Common Investment fund should be maintained where day to day funding allows.
- (e) To ensure reserves are managed to ensure Financial Services Compensation Scheme is monitored and action taken to mitigate any risk arising from the failure of any of the Charities bank or savings providers.

The trustees recognise the need to review this policy on an annual basis and to appropriately monitor the investment funds and be proactive in their management, to ensure the best interests of the branch objectives are maintained

#### **Connected Parties**

The Charity is a local branch of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Charity Number 219099) a national Charity that acts as a support organisation. The Charity pays an annual Quota to the RSPCA Headquarters based on its level of reserves during the previous year.

Vaness Kemp

Signed:

Mrs V Kemp - Chairman

#### INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

### ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS ALTON, HASLEMERE, PETERSFIELD AND DISTRICT BRANCH

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2019 which comprise of the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, and the related notes and are set out on pages nine to sixteen.

#### Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed. I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of Institute of Chartered Accountants of England and Wales (ICAEW).

It is my responsibility to:

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

#### Basis of independent examiner's report

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

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#### INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

# ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS ALTON, HASLEMERE, PETERSFIELD AND DISTRICT BRANCH (CONT.)

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act;
   and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act

have not been met; or

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

Mrs Anugrah Sharma BSc.FCA
A & N (Haslemere) Limited
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors
Aruna House
2 Kings Road
Haslemere
Surrey

Date:....

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

	T I.e.		<u>2018</u>	
	<u>Un-</u> <u>Restricted</u>	Restricted	<u>Total</u>	
	£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES				
Voluntary income				
Donations	890	_	890	1,471
Collecting boxes	727	_	727	440
RSPCA Headquarters collections	26,739		26,739	27,034
Legacies received (Note 10)	-	-	-	200
Activities for generating funds				
Membership subscriptions	-	<b>-</b>	-	333
Proceeds from special efforts	1,551	-	1,551	681
Charity Shop	-		-	
Miscellaneous income	300		300	55
Investment income				
Bank deposit interest (gross)	440		440	338
Investment income	6,478	₩	6,478	6,271
Incoming resources from charitable				
<u>activities</u>	37,125	-	37,125	36,823
Other incoming resources	~	-	-	-
Total incoming resources	37,125	<del>-</del>	37,125	36,823
RESOURCES EXPENDED				
General Expenditure				
Clinics and veterinary fees	11,747	-	11,747	11,014
Animal expenses	370	-	370	929
Expenses of special efforts	244	-	244	55
Fundraising trading costs of goods sold				
Merchandise	359	-	359	148
	12,720	<del>-</del>	12,720	12,146
Costs of charitable activities				
Headquarters and regional quotas	22,050	~	22,050	5,855
Donation	1900		1900	-
	23,950	<u>.</u>	23,950	5,855

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# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

		<u>2018</u>		
	<u>Un-</u> <u>Restricted</u> <u>£</u>	Restricted £	<u>Total</u> <u>€</u>	<u>£</u>
Governance costs				
Printing, stationery, advertising,				
telephone, postage and bank charges	597	~	597	100
Insurance	524	-	524	524
Computer exp & equipment hire	122	-	122	
Independent Examiner's fee	950	-	950	680
Bookkeeping fees	1,290	-	1,290	1,000
Subscription	35	_	35	-
Meeting and AGM expenses	90	-	90	-
-	3,608	-	3,608	2,304
Other resources expended	-	-	-	-
Total resources expended	40,278	<del>-</del>	40,278	20,305
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers	(3,153)	-	(3,153)	16,518
Gross transfer between funds	-	-	-	-
Gains/(Losses) on investment assets				
Realised	-	-		-
Un-Realised (Note 3)	26,124	-	26,124	(20,388)
Net movement in funds for the year:	22,971		22,971	(3,870)
Fund balances brought forward	308,606	-	308,606	312,476
Fund balances carried forward	331,577		331,577	308,606

#### The notes on pages 12 to 16 form part of these accounts

# ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS ALTON, HASLEMERE, PETERSFIELD & DISTRICT BRANCH

#### **BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2019**

		<u>2019</u>		<u>2018</u>	
	Note	£	£	£	£
<u>Fixed assets</u> Investments	3		182,051		155,927
Current assets Debtors Goods in stock Cash at bank	4 7	223 400 137,407	_	246 550 159,149	
<u>Current liabilities</u> Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	5 -	8,504	-	7,266	
Net current assets			129,526		152,679
Total assets less current liabilities		_	311,577	-	308,606
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year			-		-
Provision for liabilities and charges			-		-
Net assets		- -	311,577	=	308,606
<u>Funds</u>	2				
<u>Unrestricted income funds</u> Designated funds General funds			4,410 307,167		24,410 284,163
Restricted income funds General fund Cattery project			~		- -
Total funds		=	311,577	-	308,606
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Signed: Vances Komp

Date: 7/5/20

Mrs Vanessa Kemp

Chairman

For and on behalf of the Committee

#### The notes on pages 12 to 16 form part of these accounts

# ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS ALTON, HASLEMERE, PETERSFIELD & DISTRICT BRANCH

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at market value. SORP (FRS 102), the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005. This is necessary for their accounts to give a true and fair view as required by the 2008 Regulations.

The charity has availed itself of Paragraph 4(1) of Schedule 1 of the Regulations 2008 and adapted the Companies Act formats to reflect the special nature of the charity's activities. No separate SOFA has been presented for the charity alone as permitted by Section 408 of the Companies Act 2006 and paragraph 397 of the SORP.

#### (b) Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

#### (c) Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the SOFA when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. For legacies, entitlement arises when the charity has sufficient evidence that a gift has been left to them. The fair value is measured or estimated based on the information available, and will generally be the expected cash amount.

The branch splits its income between different categories on the SOFA. These are Membership subscriptions, which represent the branch's element of the national subscription paid by members in their area. Donations represent the monies donated locally (excluding those in special efforts) and those made direct to the RSPCA Headquarters but for the benefit of this branch. Income from Special Efforts represents the monies raised at events (such as fetes, car boot sales etc). Collecting boxes are the monies collected from the various collecting tins displayed in local shops and amenities. RSPCA Headquarters collections reflect the branch's element of the monies collected on a national level from donations by bank transfer.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019 (Continued)

Gifts in kind donated for distribution are included at valuation and recognised as income when they are distributed to the projects. Gifts donated for resale are included as income when they are sold. Donated facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified and a third party is bearing the cost. No amounts are included in the financial statements for services donated by volunteers.

#### (d) Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources. Premises overheads have been allocated on a floor area basis and other overheads have been allocated on the basis of the head count.

Fund-raising costs are those incurred in seeking voluntary contributions and do not include the costs of disseminating information in support of the charitable activities. Support costs are those costs incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the charity and include project management carried out at Headquarters. Management and administration costs are those incurred in connection with administration of the charity and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

#### (e) Investments

Investments are stated at market value at the balance sheet date. The SOFA includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluations and disposals throughout the year.

The Trustees recognise the need to review this policy on an annual basis and to look at other potential opportunities whilst appropriately monitoring the available funds and being proactive in their management, to ensure the best interests of the Charity's objectives are maintained.

#### (f) Stock

Stock consists of purchased goods for resale. Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Items donated for resale or distributions were not included in the financial statements until they are sold or distributed.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019 (Continued)

#### 2. STATEMENT OF FUNDS

	Balance at 01/01/19 £	Resources received £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31/12/19 £
Unrestricted					
Designated					
Shop Project	20,000	-	(20,000)	-	_
Emergency Vet	4,410	-	-	-	4,410
Neutering	-	_	-	-	-
General Fund	284,196	37,125	(14,154)	-	307,167
•	308,606	37,125	(33,974)		311,577

#### **DESIGNATED FUNDS**

#### Shop Project

The trustees earmarked during 2014 £10,000 to put towards the cost of opening a branch shop. This was viewed as a long term project which was expected to give them an opportunity to improve the branch profile and allow them to increase the branch's income. Post year end a joint shop was opened with the Solent RSPCA Branch (11 May 2019). A further £10,000 has been designated for the initial set up costs of the shop.

#### Emergency Vet

RSPCA Headquarters will now only meet the cost of an emergency vet where they are contacted in advance and agree the treatment, otherwise emergency veterinary treatment for injured animals is now the responsibility of the individual branches. The trustees do not have any historical information about the likely cost over one year and initially set aside a reserve of £4,410 to help meet this expense. Whilst there has been no specific use of this fund during 2019 or 2018, the trustees believe this is still an ongoing funding requirement for which they felt it was appropriate to maintain it as designated funds.

#### Neutering

The trustees have re-evaluated the need for a designated neutering reserve and due to a decrease in demand locally. The trustees considered alternative options such as donating funds towards a street vet charity however policy rules prevented this. It was felt therefore that the funds would be better allocated back to general reserves.

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#### ALTON, HASLEMERE, PETERSFIELD & DISTRICT BRANCH

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

#### 3. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

		<u>2019</u>			<u>2018</u>	
	<b>Holding</b>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Market</u>	<u>Holding</u>	Cost	<u>Market</u>
			<u>value</u>			<u>Value</u>
		<u>£</u>	£		$\underline{\mathcal{E}}$	$\underline{\mathcal{E}}$
Quoted equity shares:						
M & G Equities Inv. Fund	3,200.00	4,954	53,142	3,200.00	4,954	45,569
Investment funds		01004	400 100	4F (F4 PF	24.206	00.004
Charishare Common Inv. Fund	15,674.77	34,296	108,438	15,674.77	34,296	90,381
Charinco Common Inv. Fund	10,740.07	19,370	20,471	10,740.07	19,370	19,977
Total		58,620	182,051		58,620	155,927

The unrealised gain shown in the Statement of Financial Activities is £26,123 (2018 – loss of £20,388).

#### 4. <u>Debtors</u>

	2019	2018
	£	£
VAT recoverable	268	246
Trade debtors	(45)	-
	223	802

#### 5. Creditors

	2019	2018
	£	£
Trade creditors	2,004	766
Other creditors and accruals	6,500	6,500
	8,504	7,266

#### 6. COMMITTEE MEMBERS' EXPENSES AND REMUNERATION

No committee members received any remuneration and the branch has no other paid staff.

#### 7. <u>Stock</u>

The stock held at the year-end was valued by the committee at £400 (2018 - £550). All stocks have been valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

#### ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

#### ALTON, HASLEMERE, PETERSFIELD & DISTRICT BRANCH

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

#### 8. <u>Donations Made</u>

Donations of £1,900 to Barn Owl Project Hampshire were made by the Branch during the year (2018 - £nil).

#### 9. DONATIONS RECEIVED

During the year the branch received donated items worth £348 (2018 £683) to the Charity.

#### 10. <u>Legacies</u>

A legacy received during the year was nil (2018 from the late E.V Bulmer £200).

#### 11. CONTROLLING PARTY

The trustees control the Charity in accordance with the constitution and the branch rules of the main RSPCA Charity.