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ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS MID-SUSSEX AND EASTBOURNE BRANCH

ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

Chartered Accountants & Statutory Auditor

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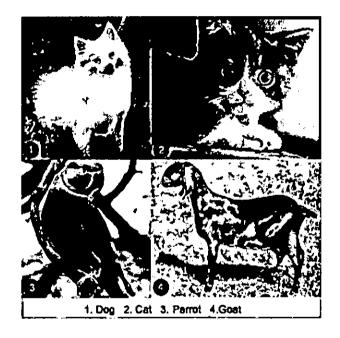
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Registered Charity No. 206308

Mid-Sussex &

Eastbourne Branch



ANNUAL REPORT 2021



PATRON: Her Majesty The Queen

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The charity is constituted as an unincorporated association. The charity operates as an autonomous branch of the National RSPCA subject to its rules for branches (as updated in 2006).

A Committee, elected at the AGM governs the branches, who are Trustees of the branch. All trustees are briefed on their responsibilities as trustees prior to their acceptance of the role.

The trustees hold bi-monthly meetings at which decisions are made.

The trustees actively review the risks, which the charity faces on a regular basis through regular meetings of the trustees that cover operational and financial reviews. The trustees also examine other operational and business risks which the branch face and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks, which have been identified as:

- loss of reputation through error or fraud;
- loss of income through error or fraud;
- Insufficient funds to cover the costs of animal welfare activities.

OBJECTS, OBJECTIVES AND PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The objects of the branch are to promote the work and objects of the National Society of the RSPCA, with particular reference to the area of branch.

The main objective of the branch is to promote responsible animal welfare and encourage spaying and neutering of dogs and cats.

The principal activities of the branch are to attend events to provide information on animal welfare and encourage members of the public to consider homing an animal from a rescue centre.

In planning the activities for the year the Trustees have complied with the duty in section 17(5) of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Public Benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Unfortunately, due to Covid-19, there were no fundraising events during 2021.

The Branch continued to support the Inspectorate and give advice to the public regarding their pets and those wishing to rehome an animal.

Financial Review 2021

The total incoming resources for the year amounted to £27,188 (2020:£45,152) a decrease on the previous year, reflecting the lack of receipt of any legacy income. The Branch was also unable to undertake any fund raising activities during the year due to coronavirus restrictions but it's hoped that fund raising will be able to resume in 2022. Expenditure throughout the year was broadly in line with expectations with both increases in requests for assistance from pet owners and veterinary fees incurred in respect of stray animals. This likely reflects the national increase in pet ownership during the coronavirus emergency. Expenditure for the year totalled £31,648 (2020: £79,850 including £50,000 once off grant to Sussex East & Hastings Branch) leading to an operating loss of £4,460 (2020:£34,698 loss). However, investment gains of £1,766 from the investment portfolio managed by NatWest Bank reduced the overall loss to £2,694. The fund balance at 31 December 2021 was £304,394 (2020:£307,088).

The Branch provided financial assistance totalling £8,142 to 47 pet owners (on means tested benefits) to help with the cost of veterinary treatment of their animals. This was an increase in the 39 pet owners (£6,238) assisted in 2020. Further veterinary fees (£1,991) were incurred in respect of the cost of treatment of unowned animals. Assistance with neutering costs (£1,494 in the year 2021) continues to be given to owners on means tested benefits. Vouchers issued by the Branch can be used as part payment for neutering costs at various veterinary surgeries, with the owner responsible for the balance of costs. More vouchers were issued during 2021 with 9 dogs, and 10 cats being neutered. However, this is an area of activity which the Branch has always considered important in the promotion of animal welfare and it is hoped that take up will continue to improve.

Expenditure on the boarding of stray and unwanted animals totalled £884 in the year (2020: £630) reflecting the continued low level of cats coming into Branch care and requiring transfer to Bluebell Ridge Cattery for rehoming. Bluebell Ridge, operated by the Hastings Branch, receive a daily contribution per cat towards cattery running costs.

The Branch is required to make an annual contribution to the National Society based on the level of reserves held by the branch which is used to finance projects within the South East Region. The contribution in 2021 was maintained at the previous year's level of £14,333.

The trustees believe that there are no uncertainties about the charity being able to continue in operation.

J M Henham Branch Treasurer 3

Reserves Policy

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The Branch holds reserves to generate investment income and to ensure that the service level provided for animal welfare is maintained should there be a reduction in incoming resources. The Branch has a long established investment portfolio (£175,048 at 31 December 2021), managed by professional advisors at National Westminster Bank, which was formed from bequests made to the Branch to enable it to continue its charitable work in the Eastbourne and Mid Sussex area. The Branch is heavily dependent upon the receipt of door to door grant and legacies to fund its current level of activity and without this uncertain income the Branch would be financially unviable. It is, therefore, considered important that sufficient reserves are maintained to meet expenditure in years where there is little or no legacy income.

Mr J Dash Chairman

<u>Chairman's Report.</u> 2021

Dear Members.

I did not think, when I wrote my chairman's report for 2020 last year, that we would be in almost the same situation when I came to write my 2021 year's report.

I am again writing this report in very unusual times, for the most part everything has been 'on hold' for the last two years due to the pandemic.

The exception being our inspectors, they have continued to carry out their much needed work regardless of the Covid situation, we are all very grateful to them for continuing to help animals in need.

Our Mid Sussex and Eastbourne committee has continued to meet regularly, but the meetings have continued to be virtual meetings using Zoom. Looking to the future we hope to be able to restart some 'in-person' meetings in the near future, although holding virtual Zoom meetings has meant that our Chief Inspector and our Branch Partnership Manager have been able to 'attend' meetings without the need to travel long distances.

All fund raising activity has, unfortunately, had to cease since the start of the pandemic, hopefully this fund-raising will restart before too long.

I would to like thank all of you for being members of and supporting the Mid-Sussex and Eastbourne Branch of the RSPCA. Without you this branch of the RSPCA would not exist.

I would especially like to thank all of the members of our committee and look forward to more normal times.

James Dash, B Vet Med, MRCVS. Honorary Chairman.

MEMBERSHIP

Thank you very much for supporting us throughout the year.

Sadly, due to age, some members are no longer with us and our total membership is on the decline. With the increasing number of other charities needing help many people are having to choose very carefully who they wish to support.

Our local Branch helps with both domestic animals and wildlife where possible.

1 am now taking the liberty of asking if anyone can possibly recruit a few new members to help the Branch continue, we would be very grateful.

The Committee would greatly appreciate it if anyone could find time to help at our fund raising events.

The total membership as at 31st December, 2021 was 95.

Linda Mauldon Branch Secretary



2021 Sussex Annual Report

The Sussex Group

Chief Inspector Patrick S. Hamby Deputy Chief Inspector Charlotte Baumann Deputy Chief Inspector Rachel Smith Inspector Zoe Ballard Inspector Kate Barnes Inspector Laura Bryant Inspector Rebecca Carter Inspector Cora Peeters Inspector Cora Peeters Inspector Georgina Bowles ARO Marie Stevens ARO Julie Parsons ARO Claire Thomas

It gives me great pleasure to present to you the annual report for the Sussex Inspectorate for 2021.

Once again this year has proved to be another difficult year. Covid 19 has continued to play a very disruptive role in all of our daily lives. We survived multiple lockdowns and movement restrictions throughout the year with the mutation of Covid -19 to include the latest Omicron variant. It would appear we will start 2022 where we left off at the end of 2021.

This year we picked up three multi animal cases from two properties and one caravan with over 100 animals being removed. Two cases are still proceeding through the investigation process with assistance from Sussex Police. However, with the hard work and dedication of staff at Leybourne Animal Centre and Brighton Branch's Patcham Animal Centre we were able to rescue these dogs, provide them with the necessary veterinary care and much needed TLC. Eventually all of them were rehomed to new and caring homes.

One case involved dealing with 36 puppies and one adult dog in a two berth caravan. This is the extent of puppy farming still occurring. But working with Sussex Police Rural Crime Team as well as local council licensing departments, we are slowly but surely making inroads in reducing the number of incidents of puppy farming.

We wish to offer our thanks to Sussex Police for their invaluable assistance. Our thanks also goes to East Sussex and West Sussex Fire and Rescue Service for the many occasions that they have helped with rescues of animals that have got themselves trapped or in difficulty and we have needed their equipment and manpower to resolve the situation. David

Buck, our go to solicitor, who has and continues to provide us with his excellent presentation of evidence in our cases at court.

Of course we have not forgotten the RSPCA animal centres that take in our animals, care for them and eventually rehome them. Our sincere thanks to the Branch catteries and kennels that board, care for and rehome our animals, usually at very short notice and at the most inconvenient times, and to the experts who care for our sick and injured wildlife until they have been rehabilitated and are able to be released back into the wild.

I would also like to thank the Regional Board and all the Local Branches for having the trust and confidence in field officers in developing the Inspectorate Welfare Fund for the region. This has been a brilliant tool for officers to really help those who need that bit of support in difficult times. There have been so many incidents where we were able to help senior citizens get their animal to the vet and assist if not pay for the treatment especially in these hard times. The appreciation for our help brings home the reason why we do what we do.

We are not the only charity that goes to great effort for the benefit of animal welfare and I wish to acknowledge other organisations that provide us with invaluable assistance. Thank you to Folly Wildlife for their excellent work for the welfare of wildlife, WADARS (Worthing and District Animals Rescue Services) for assisting us on numerous occasions going to rescues when we could not get there fast enough and Brent Lodge Wildlife Hospital in the Chichester area. We also work very closely with Sara Smith and Claire Gordon of World Horse Welfare to improve the welfare of equines in the area.

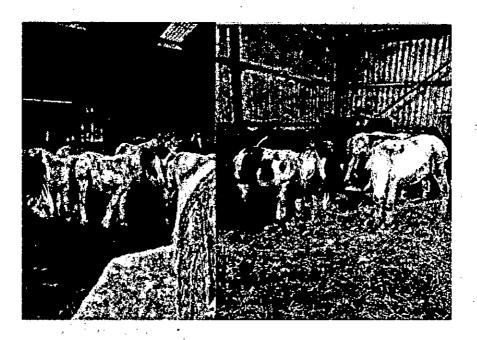
Our highly-skilled intelligence teams also need a mention, who use state of the art technology to trace some of the miscreants who mistakenly think that by running off to other parts of the country they can escape the consequences of their cruel or neglectful actions.

Finally, on behalf of everyone in the Sussex group, a big thank you to all of the Sussex Branches members and volunteers for making us feel so welcome at your meetings and for all the difficult and invaluable work you have done throughout 2021. Without you dedicating your time and efforts we would not be able to achieve all that we do.

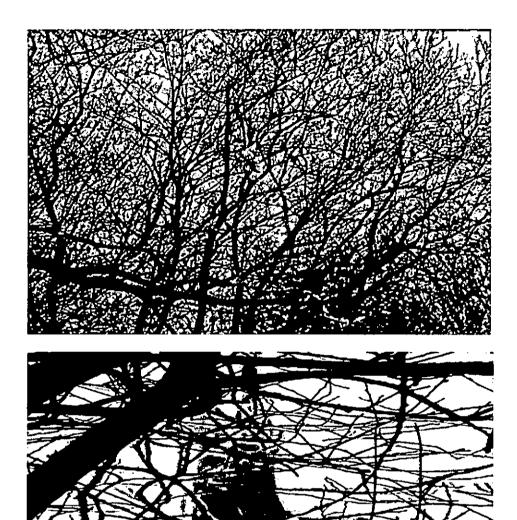
To give you a taste of what we do, here are just a few of the things that we dealt with in the past year that you may find interesting.

The Year of the Rescues:

Throughout the year, Inspector Carter, our National Deputy Coordinator for Equine has been to numerous roundups this year. Working with other organisations as World Horse Welfare, British Horse Society, Redwings, etc., removing over 300 horses from Wales, the Midlands and East Anglia. This is a herculean effort to organise staff, transport, vets, stabling etc. But this is a brilliant example of organisations working for the same goal helping each other for the benefit of animal welfare.



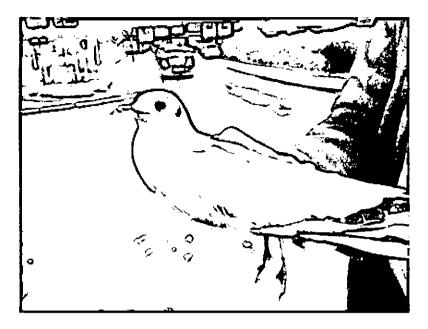
Inspector <u>Tony Woodley</u> responded to several calls from the members of the public of a gull hanging 40 ft in the air entangled in with fishing line which got wrapped up in the limbs of a tree on an island in the middle of a pond in Crawley. West Sussex Fire and Rescue were called and attended plus with the assistance of local council workings who supplied an inflatable boat to eventually rescue the gull. The bird suffered minor feather damage and made a full recovery and was later released back into the wild.



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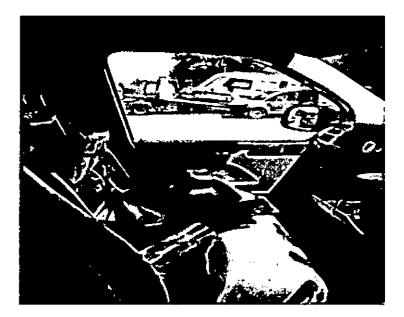


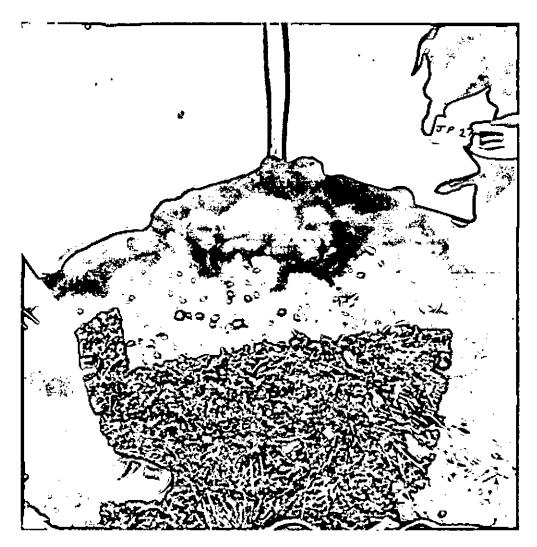
We continue to help cats get out of self made predicaments as we see with Inspector Rachel Smith had on Easter Monday. Frank, young male neutered cat from St. Leonards, East Sussex was missing for 36 hours when his owner found him 60ft up a tree on some wasteland quite a distance from home. The owner tried calling some tree surgeons but none were willing to come out on the bank holiday. Once Inspector Smith arrived, she called East Sussex Fire and Rescue who were able to get poor Frank out of the tree and was taken home by his very appreciative owner.





This was previously mentioned in the following pictures are the 36 puppies and one 9 month old golden lab found in a two berth caravan which you can see through the passenger side window being loaded up onto a removal lorry at the scene. The dog and puppies were inside the caravan. The puppies were all golden, black and chocolate labradors, dachshunds, and it was obvious this was for the puppy trade. As we all know the market for puppies was in high demand and when there is money to be made, unscrupulous people will always want to cash in. But they did not this time, the puppies were seized and eventually all given to the Society and rehomed to loving homes.





Thank you all and please stay safe!!!!!

Patrick S. Hamby 407 Chief Inspector Sussex

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that year.

In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;

- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

- state whether applicable 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 charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping sufficient accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the board of Trustees and signed on their behalf:

Herri Tox Date

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS MID-SUSSEX AND EASTBOURNE BRANCH

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Royal Society for the Prevention of Crueity to Animals Mid-Sussex and Eastbourne Branch (the charity) for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

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

independent examiner's statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared financial statements in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

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

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

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Alastair Towler BFP ACA DChA

18 Hyde Gardens Eastbourne East Sussex BN21 4PT

Dated: 10 May 2012

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

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	Unrestricted Unrestri		westricted
	,	funds	funds
		2021	2020
	Notes	£	£
Income from:			
Donations and legacies	2	24,769	42,057
Activities for generating funds	3	-	224
Investment income	. 4	2,419	2,871
Total Income		27,188	45,152
Expenditure on:	·		
Raising funds	5	1,946	2,136
Charitable activities	6	29,702	77,714
Total resources expended		31,648	79,850
Net gains/(losses) on investments	. 11	1,766	5,177
Net movement in funds		(2,694)	(29,521)
Fund balances at 1 January 2021		307,088	336,609
Fund balances at 31 December 2021		304,394	307,088

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

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	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Investments	12		175,048		179,402
Current assets					
Debtors	14	26		411	
Cash at bank and in hand		134,135		130,593	
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Creditors: amounts failing due with				-	
one year	15	(4,815)		(3,318)	
Net current assets			129,346		127,686
Total assets less current liabilities			304,394		307,088
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Income funds					
Unrestricted funds			304,394		307,088
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The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on .5th May 2022

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Mr J Dash Trustee

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Mid Sussex and Eastbourne Branch is an unincorporated charity.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's Branch rules, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice 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 2019)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update . Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest \pounds .

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the date of this report, there exists considerable uncertainty regarding the potential impact of the Coronavirus and the economic consequences, both within the U.K. and overseas, which may result from government policies to contain the spread. The duration and geographical extent of any possible lockdown or future government policies are unknown. Whilst we are unable to predict what the economic consequences may be and the impact on the charity's future ability to continue trading, we have continued to use the going concern basis as appropriate in the preparation of these accounts.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deterral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Inecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

1.6 Fixed asset Investments

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting date. Changes in fair value are recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

1.7 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.8 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

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Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Concessionary toans are initially measured at the amount paid and subsequently adjusted for repayments made.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current llabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current llabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial fiabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

2 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2021 £	2020 £
Donations and gifts Legacies receivable	280	<u>222</u> 16,300
Grents receivable	24,134	25,173
Other	355	362
	24,769	42,057

3 Activities for generating funds

	Total	Unrestricted funds
	2021 £	2020 £
Fundraising events	-	224

4 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2021	2020
	£	£
Income from listed investments	2,411	2,788
Interest receivable	8	83
	2,419	2,871

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

5 Raising funds

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		Unrestricted	Unrestricted
		funds	funds
		2021	2020
		£	£
	Investment management costs	1,946	2,136
		1,946	2,136
6	Charitable activities		
		Animai	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
		welfare	
		2021 £	
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	Veterinary fees	11,627	
	Homing/boarding	884	- + -
	Grants paid	14,333	
	Insurance	524	
	Printing, postage and stationery	199	
	ICO registration	40	40
		27,607	23,813
	Grant funding of activities (see note 7)	-	52,000
	Share of governance costs (see note 8)	2,095	1,901
		29,702	77,714
7	Grants payable		
		Animal	Animal
		welfare	
		2021	2020
		£	£

Grants to institutions:		
Brighton RSPCA	•	2,000
Hastings RSPCA	-	50,000
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	-	52,000

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

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Governance costs includes payments to the independent examiners of £2,050 (2020- £1,901) for independent examination fees and other services.

9 Trustees

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None of the trustees or their related parties received any remuneration during the year.

During the year 2 trustees was reimbursed for £239 of office and administration expenses (2020: 2 trustee were reimbursed £113 for expenses).

10 Employees

	2021 Number	2020 Number
Total	-	- -

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

11 Net gains/(losses) on investments

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2021 £	2020 £
Revaluation of investments Gain/(loss) on sale of investments	(5,479) 7,245	29 5,148
	1,766	5,177

12 Fixed asset investments

	Listed investments £
Cost or valuation	
At 1 January 2021	179,402
Additions	107,472
Valuation changes	(5,479)
Decrease in cash held within the portfolio	(1,874)
Disposais	(104,473)
At 31 December 2021	175,048
Carrying amount	
At 31 December 2021	175,048
At 31 December 2020	179,402

13	Financial instruments	2021	2020
		£	£
	Carrying amount of financial assets		
	Instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss	175,048	179,402
			
14	Debtors		
		2021	2020
	Amounts falling due within one year:	£	£
	Trade debtors	26	411

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

15	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
		2021	2020
		£	£
	Gross amounts owed to contract customers	1,509	561
	Other creditors	1,256	777
	Accruals and deferred income	2,050	1,980
		4,815	3,318
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16 Related party transactions

The Branch constitution is approved by the national RSPCA umbrella body, charity no. 219099, which is considered a related party for accounting purposes. During the financial year, the Branch received a total of £24,134 (2020: £25,747) in grant funding from the national RSPCA for the Branch's purposes. Donation and subscriptions of £871 from RSPCA were also received. In addition, the Branch made contributions of £14,333 (2020: £14,868) to the nation RSPCA for services rendered. The Branch also receives a number of umbrella body services, including legacy administration under the Branch Legacy Scheme, membership administration and practical guidance and assistance from a Branch Support Specialist employed by the national Society

During the year, the following transactions took place with the other associated branches:

Sussex and Hastings RSPCA	Connected entity	Payments of £1,342 (2020: £953) for costs. in 2020, a £50,000 interest free loan was written off.
Brighton RSPCA	Connected entity	Payments of £Nil (2020: £2,025) for grants and other costs

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