



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01/04/2021 Period start date To 01/04/2022 Period end date

Charity name: Animal Antiks

Charity registration number: 1172099

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>To promote social inclusion for the public benefit by preventing people from becoming excluded, relieving the needs of those people who are socially excluded (In particular but not limited to those with physical, mental, social or emotional disabilities or disadvantages) by providing animal-assisted therapeutic and educational activities in order to assist them to integrate into society.</p> <p>To promote humane behaviour towards animals by providing appropriate care, protection, treatment and security for animals which are in need of care and attention by reason of sickness, maltreatment, poor circumstances or ill-usage and to educate the public in matters pertaining to animal welfare in general and the prevention of cruelty and suffering among animals.</p>
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>Animal Antiks is based on a farm in rural Buckinghamshire, approximately half way between Aylesbury and Milton Keynes. We support children (from the age of 10yrs) and adults who are facing various challenges in their lives. Bringing them together in a safe and unique environment, we support them with farm therapy, social and functional skills while providing a safe shelter for many rescue animals.</p> <p>Promoting good practice in animal welfare, we're set on a working farm and provide a stimulating, sometimes challenging environment for people struggling with social exclusion and emotional disadvantages.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<p>All trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	n/a
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	n/a
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	<p>Post Covid, we have seen a slight reduction in volunteer numbers. We have around 7 dedicated, regular people who help in numerous ways.</p> <p>With just under 850 hours worked, they're involved in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting our wellbeing alpaca walks • Working in the kitchen garden, helping to grow produce the students are able to cook and eat • Building enrichment activities in our workshop • Supporting members in caring for the animals • Assisting members with lifeskills (eg, cookery) <p>Due to the needs of our members, it's important that all volunteers undergo a rigorous interview process, along with reference checks and a successful DBS application. Our aim is to support the volunteers as much as possible to ensure they build a long-standing relationship with Animal Antiks. Their contribution is invaluable and we're eternally grateful for their time and effort in a raw, sometimes challenging, environment.</p>
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
<p>Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.</p>	<p>Para 1.20</p>	<p>Our charity looks and feels very different post Covid. We have seen a huge increase in requests for us to take in rescue animals, with ponies, rabbits, goats, chickens and alpacas rescued in the last year. We have seen an increase in people being referred to us for farm therapy – children may have been out of school for nearly two years, and the levels of anxiety and social isolation are higher than ever. We have seen a surge in referrals for young children (aged 10 and over) and have successfully forged relationships with local authorities and many schools.</p> <p>We have seen a massive growth in need, so 2021 has had to be about ensuring the foundations and facilities of the charity are strong enough to support these people and animals. We've rented a portacabin to use as an office and secondary classroom, we've hired more portable toilets while a drainage issue has stalled the installation of a permanent toilet block.</p> <p>We've employed additional staff and have welcomed a part time Administrator along with several part time Activity Support Assistants, who work directly with the members. A 57% increase in income is largely from educational and farm therapy placements for young people, while the refurbishment of the barns, and additional equipment and feed have increased costs.</p> <p>At a time of such huge growth we were informed that, due to restructuring, our post-16 training provider will not be continuing with an agreement that no further placements should be accepted. This is due to their focus shifting from commercial learners, to more apprenticeship-based placements. This is a huge blow to the Charity and, potentially, could leave us with the associated costs of supporting students who could no longer continue their studies. Therefore, after a Trustees meeting in early March 2022 we are investigating other training avenues but it has become apparent that the impact of this change could leave the charity vulnerable.</p> <p>Alongside this changing landscape, our farm therapy work has continued: Farm Therapy sessions have been offered 5 days per week all year – with children and young people attending during term time and many adult social care members continuing during the holidays. With around 150 people attending sessions each week during term time.</p>

Wellbeing Walks have become a staple part of our offering, with grants making it possible for us to run a minimum of two to three walks per week, attracting an additional 24-36 people to the farm each week to enjoy a social, relaxed walk as part of a group. These 6-8 week blocks of walks have ensured a fresh stream of visitors to the farm and have been beneficial to the vulnerable and isolated members of the community post-Covid.

We work with various mental health charities in the area to offer their clients the opportunity to join in, with us using the community bus to collect and drop off the people. This is a lifeline to many who may not leave their home for the rest of the week.

Feedback from the walks Includes:

"Thursdays are the highlight of my week. Fresh air, good company, worries drift away"

"Before starting the walks back in November I was suffering with panic attacks, depression and anxiety... the time with the alpacas has honestly improved my outlook and moods beyond belief"

"I absolutely love everything about the walks and it's really helped to meet people and help with my anxiety. My son has also been attending and he has hardly been out since Covid lockdown"

Our Country Club (formerly the Countrymen Club) is growing slowly. Wanting to increase numbers, we expanded the remit and partnered with the community bus again, to bring people to the farm. In 2021 around 9 people on average attended each week. They got involved in the gardening and maintenance of the site, including growing plants from seed, composting, harvesting and weeding! They've helped to build enrichment activities for some of the animals and have also taken part in crafting using the wool from our own sheep.

One of our main objectives at Animal Antiks is to support people to be the best version of themselves and 2021/22 saw one of our past students become an apprentice with us.

T initially came to the farm with a huge amount of social anxiety and anger. They are now a key member of the staff here, with a fantastic work ethic and are a pleasure to work with.

A significantly anxious student who was unable to attend school has successfully achieved their Level 2 Animal Care and are

currently attending college with their aim being focused on attending university in September.

From our initial alpaca walks we have successfully supported the transition of a service user to a volunteer role, and they are now paid staff.

All students who attend here have an EHCP plan, and a range of diagnoses, many are on a reduced timetable or have been excluded from school, or out of mainstream school for many years. Many face severe social and emotional challenges, with some unable to speak. Working on the farm, caring for the animals and being either on a one to one basis or in a small group, allows them the opportunity to achieve, building confidence alongside key life and functional skills.

In August 2021 the Nimar Charitable Trust granted us £30,000. Coming at this time, it was decided the money would be used for infrastructure improvements and equipment – including gates and fencing to enable access into pens for our less mobile clients, gardening equipment to extend our offer and the hire of the portacabin, improvements to the electricals and plumbing to extend our indoor working areas. It also allowed us to take in some rescue goats, and Katie and Kelsey, two rescue ponies who had previously supported young people with disabilities.

Funds from three local charities (Heart of Bucks Community Fund, the William Harding Trust and the Mobbs Memorial Trust) allowed us to purchase laptops for the office staff and an office printer, alongside a small number of iPads and laptops for the students, so they are now able to more easily access online maths and English work via an educational portal, while improving their IT skills.

To aid our income we continue to offer 'encounter' vouchers. They make ideal gifts and are booked during school holidays and weekends. Not only have they been an effective way to increase our income (we've raised just under £1000 this year) but also offer the siblings of young people attending Animal Antiks the opportunity to experience the farm. They've also helped those young people not able to commit to a regular placement.

Alongside our regular learners, adult social care, farm therapy members, the alpaca walkers and country club, we also welcomed families during the school holidays, running holiday sessions for a range of local charities supporting vulnerable families including Young Carers and Autism Bucks,

		<p>giving over 150 people an opportunity to leave their responsibilities behind and enjoy being outside, engaging with enrichment activities with the animals and taking part in some of our farm sports such as welly wanging, wheelbarrow racing and the goat assault course!</p> <p>Very little of the above would be possible without the generous support of our benefactors. During 2021/22, we successfully attracted 38 grants and, through our Open Day and generous donations, another £13,500 was raised.</p>
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	The post Covid landscape and the potential loss of our education provider has forced us to re-evaluate our objectives. 2021/22 has seen growth in income and the mirroring increase in costs. Ensuring the groundwork is done to allow this growth to continue, facilities have been improved and more plans are being formed to expand the inside space, allowing for more craft activities and classrooms. We are currently investigating other options to continue offering educational placements.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	This is the first full year of having our own fundraising officer. They continue to attract grants, including some significant amounts, and have a good understanding of the work of Animal Antiks.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	n/a
Other		n/a

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity has seen growth of approximately 50% and while costs have outpaced the rise in income, this is due to significant improvements to the facilities, increased salary costs and a surge in animals needing to be rescued post Covid. Improvements to the facilities will be ongoing, but managed via fundraising. Housing for animals is now almost at capacity, so numbers are unlikely to notably increase.
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Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Our policy is to minimise the amount of money kept aside, so to maximise the benefits we are able to offer to members. We are working towards building a reserve of three months operating costs, to protect us from late payments and/or a drop in income.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£56,000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	n/a
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	n/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	There are urgent ongoing investigations regarding the ability to continue offering our specialist work-based educational placements. Alongside an understanding of the new post-16 qualifications (T Levels) and our ability to deliver these, alongside the staff qualifications and professional development required to deliver them.

Additional information (optional)

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The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Sales (farm therapy, encounters etc) 78% Grants 19.7% Donations 2.3%
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	n/a
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	As noted above, as our current educational partnership is due to end, and if no other option can be found, we may have to limit the liability of having a large educational staff on the charity payroll.
Other		n/a

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		n/a
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Memorandum & Articles of Association
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Limited company
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Elected to post by the board of trustees

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	All trustees undergo relevant training regarding responsibilities and safer practises.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Animal Antiks
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1172099
Charity's principal address	Manor Farm St John's Lane North Marston Buckinghamshire MK18 3PU

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Sarah Kettley	Founder		Board of Trustees
2	Pamela Harding			Board of Trustees
3	Donna Ray Daniels-Moss			Board of Trustees
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
n/a		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	n/a
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	n/a
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	n/a

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Sarah Kettleby	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Founder	

Date 22/12/2022

Animal Antiks
Annual Accounts
12 months to 31st March 2022

Financial Statement by the independent examiner
For the financial period 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022

Produce by:

R.W.Willets (ACMA, CGMA)

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Animal Antiks

Accountants and Treasurers report on the 12 months accounts to Animal Antiks

You have approved the accounts for the twelve months ended 31st March 2022 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet and the relates notes. In accordance with your instructions, I have compiled these accounts from the accounting records and information and explanations supplied to me.

The charity is reliant mostly on contracts from local councils and schools for its income. The number of clients has increased during the year requiring the hiring of staff. The Charity continues to meet all its financial obligations as well as setting aside a surplus for future maintenance and possible expansion of activities.

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Accounting Services

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Profit and Loss Account

For 12 months to 31st March 2022

	This Year	Last year
	£	£
Sales	454230	288927
Donations	13551	12249
Grants	111830	86129
Total Income	579611	387305
Expenses		
Animal service costs	165317	69713
Rent, rates, utilities and insurance costs	82965	70462
Salaries, Ni & Pensions	199295	99540
Maintenance & Service charges	58650	36000
Staff costs	8584	2551
Telephone, stationery and office costs	4637	2732
Advertising and fund-raising costs	19557	15754
Accountancy, legal and other professional fees	1653	1271
Depreciation	18000	9000
Total Expenses	<u>558658</u>	<u>307023</u>
(Loss)/profit	<u>20953</u>	80282

Animal Antiks

Balance sheet

As at 31 st March 2022	This year	Last year
Fixed assets	£	£
Equipment, machinery and motor vehicles	57118	40766
Cash	80624	48096
Debtors	7376	31237
Creditors	(10382)	(6316)
Net Assets	<u>134736</u>	<u>113783</u>
Capital account		
Balance at start of period	113783	33501
Net(loss)/profit	20953	80282
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2. Plant, machinery and motor vehicles

	Plant and machinery
	£
Cost 1st April 2021	56813
Additions	34352
At 31st March 2022	<u>91165</u>
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