REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016 FOR

ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS WEST SUFFOLK BRANCH

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2016. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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 2015).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and activities for the public benefit

The RSPCA West Suffolk Branch is an unincorporated charitable association and a separately registered branch of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, carrying out its direct animal welfare work in the area of West Suffolk.

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

The key aim is to find suitable new homes for as many animals as possible and to provide proper care for those who have been mistreated or abandoned.

The Trustees have reviewed the outcomes and achievements of the Branch's objectives and activities for the year, to ensure it remains focused on its charitable aims, and continue to deliver benefits to the public. The Branch has complied with its duty under the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Commission.

There is an acceptance by the society that treating living creatures with compassion has a moral benefit for the public as a whole. The Branch's animal welfare work, although local in nature, benefits society at large, and also aims to help people in need with the care of their animals. The sections below highlight the main activities that are undertaken in order to meet the aims of the Branch and demonstrates the benefit provided to the public.

The Branch operates an animal re-homing programme, supported by an active website and a dedicated force of volunteers. It takes in, free of charge, mistreated or abandoned animals, including pets whose owners suffer ill health or financial difficulties or pass away.

The Branch provides education, information and advice in order to promote humane sentiments towards animals which involves moral benefit to humankind as a whole.

The Branch provides subsidised veterinary treatment for animals which are sick or injured and belong to local people on low incomes. This is achieved through a voucher scheme. This gives financial help for companion animals in need of veterinary treatment.

The Branch re-homes animals in need at a low cost to people willing and able to have a companion animal. The policy to charge a reasonable adoption fee for animals aims to highlight the ongoing personal and financial commitment of pet ownership. It would not be in the best interests of animals to re-home to those who could not afford them. This would then fall outside the main objective of the Branch, which is that of ensuring that animals are properly cared for.

Animals in the Branch's care receive veterinary treatment, vaccination, neutering, micro-chipping and are assessed for re-homing. This work helps to control the incidence and spread of disease and suffering.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

Once again the Branch has experienced another busy year with 47 dogs, 43 cats and 156 miscellaneous animals being re-homed, compared with 40 dogs, 21 cats and 143 miscellaneous animals being re-homed in 2015, a marvellous achievement. The aim is to continue with the Branch's current services and expand these as funds and additional volunteer/supporters permit.

The Branch would like to thank all the staff and volunteers for their hard work and dedication throughout the year. The shop has again contributed to the Branch's income, generating a massive £123,893 in sales (2015 - £127,603).

The Committee would like to thank the staff and volunteers at the shop and the team of home visitors for their hard work and support.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Investment policy and objectives

At 31st December 2016, the Branch investment policy was:-

- That the Lloyds business 30 day account, the Lloyds instant access account, The Cambridge Building Society deposit and the Scottish Widows deposit be maintained, together with a deposit of £50,721 at the CAF bank.

The Trustees recognise this policy should be reviewed on an annual basis following the publication of the annual accounts for the previous year.

Reserves policy

The total incoming resources for the year amounted to £170,792 (2015 - £176,762). Expenditure in the year amounted to £133,883 (2015 - £120,028). This brought the surplus for the year to £36,909 (2015 - £56,734).

The Branch holds reserves in order that levels of service provided for animal welfare may be maintained should there be a reduction in incoming resources.

Reserves in this context mean funds that are freely available for the Branch's general purposes after all commitments have been met

In addition to such "unrestricted reserves", the Branch may also hold additional "restricted reserves", such reserves represent funds donated for a specified purpose which cannot be used for anything other than the purpose for which they were donated.

The Branch had unrestricted reserves of £719,611, (2015 - £682,702) represented by net current assets of £719,611 at the year ended 31st December 2016. Such reserves represent a minimum of thirty six months anticipated expenditure.

FUTURE PLANS

In the current economic climate the deposit interest rates are likely to remain low and the level of charitable giving uncertain so the main source of income will be the profit made at the Branch's charity shop. The Branch remains financially sound and the Trustees continue to successfully promote the work of the Branch and hope to develop it to ensure a legacy for future Trustees.

A full time branch manager, Petra Martin, was appointed on 16th January 2017.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

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 2011.)

The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals was founded on 16th June 1824 and granted the "royal" prefix by Queen Victoria in 1840. The current constitution of the RSPCA was created with the adoption of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1932; the work of the Society is governed by the RSPCA Act and by the rules of the Society. Membership of the society is by subscription and may be on a life, annual, ex-officio or Junior basis.

Recruitment and appointment of new Trustees

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.

Organisational structure

The Trustees hold monthly meetings at which decisions are made. The day to day running of the shop is delegated to the Shop Managers.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

206965

Principal address

Leechmoor Cottage

West Stow

Bury St Edmunds

Suffolk IP28 6HF

Trustees

Liz Hopewell Chairman resigned 31st December 2016 Kath Blaza Secretary resigned 31st December 2016

Ian Ward Treasurer

Chairman appointed 1st January 2017

Mike Howell

Rob Gray Mike Blaza Pat Ward

Kerry Horn Secretary appointed 2nd May 2017

Shop Managers

Glenda Colby resigned 30th November 2016
Alex Beale resigned 3rd August 2016
Alison Plested appointed 9th August 2016

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS - continued

Independent examiner

Seago and Stopps Chartered Certified Accountants 61 Station Road Sudbury Suffolk CO10 2SP

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

The Trustees intend to ask the visiting independent examiner to undertake the independent examination of the charity in the following year.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on
Ian Ward - Trustee

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS WEST SUFFOLK BRANCH

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2016 set out on pages six to eighteen.

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 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is required.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the 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 statements below.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- (1) 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 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

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.

John Seago FCCA
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Date:	 	•••••	

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

		31.12.16 Unrestricted fund	31.12.15 Total funds
	Notes	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM Donations and legacies Charitable activities	2	28,191	27,748
Animal adoptions		11,849	10,149
Other trading activities Investment income	3 4	126,532 4,220	133,037 5,828
Total		170,792	176,762
EXPENDITURE ON Raising funds	5/6	70,680	65,715
Charitable activities Boarding fees Veterinary fees Telephone, postage and stationery		10,585 38,089 764	6,328 35,646 1,115
Advertising and publicity Welfare payments - veterinary fees		530 	87
Total		133,883	120,028
NET INCOME		36,909	56,734
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		682,702	625,968
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		719,611	682,702

CONTINUING OPERATIONS

All income and expenditure has arisen from continuing activities.

BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2016

		31.12.16 Unrestricted fund	31.12.15 Total funds
	Notes	£	£
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets	11	-	783
CURRENT ASSETS Debtors Cash at bank	12	3,647 732,620	3,344 690,805
		736,267	694,149
CREDITORS Amounts falling due within or	ne year 13	(16,656)	(12,230)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		719,611	681,919
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CUI	RRENT	719,611	682,702
NET ASSETS		710.611	
NEI ASSEIS		<u>719,611</u>	682,702
FUNDS Unrestricted funds	14	719,611	682,702
TOTAL FUNDS		719,611	682,702
The financial statements were signed on its behalf by:	e approved by the Board of Trustees on		and were
Rob Gray -Trustee			
Ian Ward -Trustee			

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Raising funds

Raising funds includes all expenditure incurred by the charity to raise funds for its charitable purposes and includes costs of all fundraising activities, events and non-charitable trading.

Charitable activities

Costs of charitable activities comprise all costs incurred in the pursuit of the charitable objects of the charity. These costs, where not wholly attributable, are apportioned between the categories of charitable expenditure in addition to the direct costs. The total costs of each category expenditure therefore include support costs and an apportionment of overheads.

Governance costs

Governance costs comprise all costs attributable to ensuring the public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice. These costs include costs related to statutory audit and legal fees together with an apportionment of overhead and support costs.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings - 25% on cost Motor vehicles - 25% on cost

Capital expenditure in excess of £200 is included at cost within tangible fixed assets. Having reviewed the Charity's fixed assets the Trustees are satisfied that there are no indications of impairment which might adversely affect the value of those assets.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Irrecoverable vat

Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the category of resources expended for which it was incurred.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

Donations and collections Legacies Subscriptions Branch share of national door to door campaign	31.12.16 £ 4,131 1,667 346 _22,047	31.12.15 £ 6,951 - 315 20,482
	28,191	27,748
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3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.12.16	31.12.15
	£	£
Fundraising events	2,639	5,434
Shop income	123,893	127,603
	126,532	133,037

The Branch operated from one shop during the year, selling goods donated from the public. The net income from the activity for the year is shown above.

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.12.16	31.12.15
	£	£
Bank interest -UK	4,220	5,828

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

5. RAISING FUNDS

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Raising donations and legacies

	31.12.16	31.12.15
	£	£
Staff costs	21,646	19,130
Rent, rates and insurance	29,754	28,244
Electricity and water	2,092	2,031
Telephone, postage and stationery	589	519
Motor vehicle expenses	778	918
Cleaning and sundry	3,151	3,476
Repairs and renewals	663	354
Shop goods for resale	427	483
Depreciation	782	1,231
(Profit) /loss on sale of assets	<u>(500</u>)	2,469
	50.000	50.055
	59,382	58,855
SUPPORT COSTS		
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Governance costs		
Legal and professional fees	1,380	-
Telephone, postage and stationery	194	208
Branch contribution	7,000	5,500
Donation	1,000	-
Sundries	824	252
Independent examiners fee	900	900
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	11,298	6,860
Aggregate amounts	70,680	65,715

7. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2016 nor for the year ended 31 December 2015.

Trustees' expenses

None of the Branch Trustees were directly or indirectly remunerated. A total of £4,159 (2015: £4,181) was reimbursed to 5 members of the Management Committee during the year (2015: 4) for telephone, pet food, postage, motor expenses and sundry expenses wholly incurred in connection with the charitable activities of the Branch.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

8.	STAFF COSTS	31.12.16	31.12.15
	Wages and salaries	£ 21,646	£
	The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:		
		31.12.16	31.12.15
	Administrative	3	3
	No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.		
9.	COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIV	ITIES	
			Unrestricted fund £
	INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM Donations and legacies		27,748
	Charitable activities Animal adoptions		10,149
	Other trading activities Investment income		133,037 5,828
	Total		176,762
	EXPENDITURE ON Raising funds Charitable activities		65,715
	Boarding fees Veterinary fees Telephone, postage and stationery Advertising and publicity Welfare payments - veterinary fees		6,328 35,646 1,115 87
	Total		120,028
	NET INCOME		56,734
	RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS		
	Total funds brought forward		625,968

682,702

TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

10. FEES FOR THE EXAMINATION OF THE ACCOUNTS

			31.12.16 £	31.12.15 £
	Independent Examiners Fees		900	900
11.	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	Fixtures and fittings	Motor vehicles	Totals
	COST At 1 January 2016 Disposals At 31 December 2016	£ 4,035 ————————————————————————————————————	£ 3,597 (3,597)	£ 7,632 (3,597) 4,035
	DEPRECIATION At 1 January 2016 Charge for year Eliminated on disposal At 31 December 2016	3,253 782 ———————————————————————————————————	3,597 (3,597)	6,850 782 (3,597) 4,035
	NET BOOK VALUE At 31 December 2016 At 31 December 2015		·	
12.	DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN	ONE YEAR		
	Other debtors Prepayments		31.12.16 £ 3,647 	31.12.15 £ 2,990 354 3,344

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

13. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.12.16	31.12.15
	£	£
Trade creditors	13,246	9,474
Other creditors	3,410	2,756
	16.656	10.000
	16,656	12,230

14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

		Net		
		movement in		
	At 1.1.16	funds	At 31.12.16	
	£	£	£	
Unrestricted funds General fund	682,702	36,909	719,611	
		-		
TOTAL FUNDS	682,702	36,909	719,611	

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	$\begin{array}{c} \text{Movement in} \\ \text{funds} \\ \text{\pounds} \end{array}$
Unrestricted funds General fund	170,792	(133,883)	36,909
TOTAL FUNDS	170,792	(133,883)	36,909

15. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2016.

16. OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

	31.12.16 £	31.12.15 £
Expiring:		
Between two and five years	112,000	28,000

RECONCILIATION OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

			Effect of	
			transition to	
		UK GAAP	FRS 102	FRS 102
	Notes	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM				
Donations and legacies		27,748	-	27,748
Charitable activities		10,149	-	10,149
Other trading activities		133,037	-	133,037
Investment income		5,828	-	5,828
			-	
Total		176,762	-	176,762
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EXPENDITURE ON				
Raising funds		58,855	6,860	65,715
Charitable activities		54,313	-	54,313
Governance costs		6,860	(6,860)	
		-	-	
Total		120,028	-	120,028
NET INCOME		56,734	_	56,734

RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS AT 1 JANUARY 2015 (DATE OF TRANSITION TO FRS 102)

ENVED A COMMO	Notes	UK GAAP £	Effect of transition to FRS 102 £	FRS 102 £
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets		4,732		4,732
		4,732	-	4,732
CURRENT ASSETS				
Debtors Cash at bank		3,978 631,737	-	3,978 631,737
		635,715		635,715
CREDITORS				
CREDITORS Amounts falling due within one year		(14,479)	-	(14,479)
NET CUDDENT ACCETS		(21.226		(21.226
NET CURRENT ASSETS		621,236		621,236
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIE	ES	625,968	-	625,968
		625,968		625,968
FUNDS				
Unrestricted funds		625,968		625,968
TOTAL FUNDS		625,968		625,968

RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS AT 31 DECEMBER 2015

			Effect of transition to	
	Notes	UK GAAP £	FRS 102 £	FRS 102 £
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets		783	-	783
CURRENT ASSETS				
Debtors Cash at bank		3,344 690,805		3,344 690,805
		694,149	-	694,149
CREDITORS				
Amounts falling due within one year		(12,230)		(12,230)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		681,919		681,919
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIE	ES	682,702	¥	682,702
NET ASSETS		682,702		682,702
FUNDS				
Unrestricted funds		682,702		682,702
TOTAL FUNDS		682,702		682,702

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

	31.12.16 £	31.12.15 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies Donations and collections	4,131	6,951
Legacies	1,667	0,931
Subscriptions	346	315
Branch share of national door to door campaign	_22,047	_20,482
	28,191	27,748
Other trading activities		
Fundraising events	2,639	5,434
Shop income	123,893	127,603
	126,532	133,037
Investment income		
Bank interest	4,220	5,828
Charitable activities		
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Total incoming resources	170,792	176,762
EXPENDITURE		
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Cleaning and sundry Repairs and renewals	3,151 663	3,476 354
Shop goods for resale	427	483
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	782	1,231
(Profit)/loss on sale of assets	(500)	2,469
	59,382	58,855

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

	31.12.16	31.12.15
	£	£
Charitable activities	10.707	
Boarding fees	10,585	6,328
Veterinary fees	38,089	35,646
Welfare payments - veterinary fees	13,235	11,137
Telephone, postage and stationery	764 530	1,115
Advertising and publicity	530	87
	63,203	54,313
Support costs		
Governance costs		
Legal and professional fees	1,380	=
Telephone, postage and stationery	194	208
Branch contribution	7,000	5,500
Donation	1,000	=
Sundries	824	252
Independent examiners fee	900	900
	11,298	6,860
Total resources expended	133,883	120,028
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