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REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1123569

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 JULY 2017
FOR
ANIMAL PROTECTION AGENCY FOUNDATION**

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2017

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 July 2017. 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 aims

The objectives of the charity are the advancement of animal welfare and environmental protection, the advancement of education via awareness-raising programmes and the protection of public health.

The Animal Protection Agency Foundation works with specialised consultants and other organisations to conduct awareness raising programmes on all issues concerning the trade in wild animals as pets. The Animal Protection Agency Foundation coordinates research into the impacts of the wildlife trade on individual animals and the natural environment, as well as the risks of disease transmission between wildlife and people.

Social investments

In consideration of the Charities Act 2006 definition of charitable purpose; the trustees of the Animal Protection Agency Foundation consider that the objectives and activities of the Charity are for the public benefit by supporting the advancement of animal welfare, environmental protection and public health promotion. In setting the programme each year, the trustees have regard to both the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit in terms of advancement of animal welfare, environmental protection and public health promotion for the public benefit. The trustees always ensure that the programmes undertaken are in line with the charitable objectives and aims. The activities, which are described in a separate section below, cover the following charitable purposes for public benefit.

- Promoting kindness to animals and working towards an end to the suffering of animals in the exotic pet trade.
- Raising awareness of the human health risks associated with exotic pet keeping.
- Carrying out research and conducting education initiatives on the species conservation and environmental protection issues associated with the exotic pet trade.

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ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

Following the result of the EU Referendum, we got together with senior executives of other UK-based charities under the auspices of Eurogroup for Animals to form a 'Brexit Taskforce' with the aim of seeking to influence the impact of Brexit on the welfare of animals. Within the Taskforce we helped to organise a Reception at the House of Lords to inform politicians of the key risks and opportunities that Brexit presents for animals. We contributed content to a 10-Point Plan for Animals briefing and took a lead on the design and production of materials for the Reception.

As a response to Brexit, we also worked with the UK Centre for Animal Law and the Wildlife & Countryside Link on a manifesto entitled 'Brexit: getting the best deal for animals'. We ensured that the Wild Animals section covered the key issues relating to the exotic pet trade.

We publicly welcomed DEFRA's proposals for new regulations governing pet selling. Thankfully, DEFRA discarded plans to move towards self-regulation of the pet trade following high level of opposition to this from animal welfare organisations including APA. We pressed for the proposed new measures to encompass all species traded as pets rather than just domesticated species and emphasised that husbandry guidance should be impartial - produced by independent experts and animal welfare groups rather than trade. We lobbied DEFRA regarding section 2 of the Pet Animals Act 1951 via the All Party Parliamentary Group for Animal Welfare and were delighted when DEFRA re-confirmed its intention to retain this important clause, which effectively prohibits trading animals at pet markets.

Following a reptile market that took place in Basildon at which our investigators obtained clear evidence of commercial trading, the venue manager agreed not to accommodate further such events. We publicly commended Basildon Council for working closely with us before and after the event, examining the evidence closely and facilitating a meeting between us and the venue. We continued to conduct investigations at reptile markets that took place at Doncaster Racecourse, and met with Doncaster Council to share evidence of unlawful commercial animal trading.

Prior to our attendance at an EU Conference at the European Parliament on Positive Lists for animals, we worked with Eurogroup for Animals and AAP in the Netherlands on a joint response to a European Pet Organisation position paper on Positive Lists, which was largely inaccurate and misleading. In the UK, we organised, chaired and gave a presentation at a meeting between the British Veterinary Association (BVA) and several like-minded organisations (World Animal Protection, Four Paws, Wild Futures, Eurogroup for Animals, AAP and Grace's Rest). The aim of this meeting was to work towards securing the support of the BVA for Positive Lists. Following this, we coordinated joint letters, involving those organisations who attended, to members of the BVA Council and honorary BVA members and we booked a stand at the London Vet Show in November 2017.

We worked with Gumtree on their sales of exotic animals. On our advice, the platform agreed to end their sale of tortoises, turtles, amphibians, parrots (other than budgerigars and cockateils) and arachnids. We also produced guidance on reptile keeping for the PreLoved website.

Following hundreds of complaints from the public about the conditions for animals at Pets at Home, Watchdog investigations in 2012 and 2015 reported welfare concerns for both reptiles and fish. Pets at Home claimed that the programme was inaccurate and unfair and, in response, the BBC Trust Committee carried out its investigation of the programme. We criticised the BBC Trust Committee's findings, which upheld several complaints against Watchdog, for using experts who had competing interests in the keeping and trading of exotic pets. Our press release made the front cover of the Veterinary Times.

Petting zoo events seemed to be ever more popular and we were engaged with local authorities and venues across England to educate against staging these events on the grounds of animal welfare and public health.

We commissioned work on husbandry guidelines for exotic animals and a 'pet labelling scheme'.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

The Foundation has not adopted a policy on reserve funds as we have a committed team of volunteers who act as an excellent safeguard should financial resources fall below expectation.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

In accordance with the Articles of Association, the number of trustees shall be no less than three but are not subject to any maximum.

New trustees may be appointed by ordinary resolution. Every new trustee shall sign in the minute book a declaration of acceptance and of willingness to act as a trustee of the charity.

Trustees are recruited as required or when a particular skill gap is identified. Trustees are selected based on what they can contribute to the charity. Trustees need to be prepared to take an active part in the running of the charity and therefore need to be able - and willing - to give time to the efficient administration of the charity and the fulfilment of its objectives.

Prospective trustees are required to consider whether there would be any possible conflicts of interest if they were to be appointed as a trustee. It is particularly important that the individual is free to make a full contribution to the trustees' discussions and decisions.

When recruiting new charity trustees, the existing trustees ensure they understand the purposes and aims of the charity, as well as their broader duties and responsibilities as trustees so that they are able to explain to prospective trustees what is required of them.

Organisational structure

In terms of organisational structure, the trustees are responsible for the strategic direction of the charity, governance and charting performance against budgetary expenditure.

The Director of Operations is responsible for the day-to-day operational management of the charity, reporting on progress to the trustees at trustee meetings. If there are extraordinary issues that need to be brought to the attention of the trustees, extra meetings are scheduled as required. The Director of Operations is responsible for recommending projects to the trustees, project management and annual financial performance.

The Director of Operations is supported by a team of paid and voluntary staff and consultants.

Partners

The Animal Protection Agency Foundation works closely with International Animal Rescue (IAR) on various projects and is part of Eurogroup for Animals, a European coalition of animal protection groups.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

06371987 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1123569

Registered office

Werks Central
15-17 Middle Street
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ANIMAL PROTECTION AGENCY FOUNDATION

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2017**

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Trustees

S Reddy

S Hutton

J M Sweet

Company Secretary

S C Hay

Independent examiner

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on and signed on its behalf by:

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S Reddy - Trustee

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF ANIMAL PROTECTION AGENCY FOUNDATION

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Animal Protection Agency Foundation ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 July 2017.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for 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)].

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 accounts to be reached

Simon James
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Chartered Accountants
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Date:

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2017

	Notes	2017 Unrestricted fund £	2016 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies		-	1
Charitable activities			
Animal Welfare		29,069	7,836
Total		29,069	7,837
 EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Animal Welfare		17,212	19,329
Other		474	(12)
Total		17,686	19,317
 NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		11,383	(11,480)
 RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		5,788	17,268
 TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		17,171	5,788
 CONTINUING OPERATIONS			
All income and expenditure has arisen from continuing activities.			

The notes form part of these financial statements

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BALANCE SHEET AT 31 JULY 2017

	Notes	2017 Unrestricted fund £	2016 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	4	3,145	-
Cash at bank		17,351	8,394
		<u>20,496</u>	<u>8,394</u>
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	5	(3,325)	(2,606)
		<u>17,171</u>	<u>5,788</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS			
		17,171	5,788
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		17,171	5,788
NET ASSETS		<u>17,171</u>	<u>5,788</u>
FUNDS	6		
Unrestricted funds		17,171	5,788
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>17,171</u>	<u>5,788</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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BALANCE SHEET - CONTINUED
AT 31 JULY 2017

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 July 2017.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 July 2017 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to charitable small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on and were signed on its behalf by:

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S Reddy -Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2017

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, 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 Companies Act 2006. 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.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation 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.

2. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 July 2017 nor for the year ended 31 July 2016.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 July 2017 nor for the year ended 31 July 2016.

3. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	
Donations and legacies	1
Charitable activities	
Animal Welfare	7,836
Total	<hr/> 7,837

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2017

3. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

	Unrestricted fund £
EXPENDITURE ON	
Charitable activities	
Animal Welfare	19,329
Other	(12)
Total	<u>19,317</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	<u>(11,480)</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS	
Total funds brought forward	17,268
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u><u>5,788</u></u>

4. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2017 £	2016 £
Trade debtors	<u>3,145</u>	<u>-</u>

5. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2017 £	2016 £
Trade creditors	<u>3,325</u>	<u>2,606</u>

6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.8.16 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.7.17 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	5,788	11,383	17,171
TOTAL FUNDS	<u><u>5,788</u></u>	<u><u>11,383</u></u>	<u><u>17,171</u></u>

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6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	29,069	(17,686)	11,383
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>29,069</u>	<u>(17,686)</u>	<u>11,383</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.8.15 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.7.16 £
Unrestricted Funds			
General fund	17,268	(11,480)	5,788
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>17,268</u>	<u>(11,480)</u>	<u>5,788</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	7,837	(19,317)	(11,480)
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>7,837</u>	<u>(19,317)</u>	<u>(11,480)</u>

7. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 July 2017.

8. FIRST YEAR ADOPTION

The company transitioned to FRS 102 from previously extant UK GAAP as at 1 August 2015. There are no adjustments arising from this transition to the total equity previously reported by the Company under UK GAAP as at 1 August 2015 or 31 July 2016, and no adjustment to the income or costs reported for the year ended 31 July 2016. Accordingly no reconciliations have been disclosed.

ANIMAL PROTECTION AGENCY FOUNDATION**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2017**

	2017 £	2016 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Gifts	-	1
Charitable activities		
Donations	29,069	7,836
Total incoming resources	29,069	7,837
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Sundries	297	545
Travel	79	81
Website expenses	15	181
Bank charges	383	360
Professional fees	15,583	17,851
Subscriptions	855	251
Rent	-	60
	17,212	19,329
Support costs		
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	474	(12)
Total resources expended	17,686	19,317
Net income/(expenditure)	11,383	(11,480)

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements