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

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

CHARITY REFERENCE 255762



Region:

North

Branch:

Nottingham West

Accounts to 31 December 2017

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

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2017 which are set out on pages 3 to 5.

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 needed.

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 of disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- 1) which gives us 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 comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

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

MR BRIAN STOPFORD
STOPFORD ASSOCIATES LIMITED
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Date: 29 May 2018

ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR TO 31 DECEMBER 2017

Royal society for prevention of cruelty to animals is registered with the Charities Commissions (No 255862) and constituted by Deed of Trust.

The Charity is administered by a Committee, comprising:-

Chairman -

Mrs V Vasper

V Chairman -

Mr M Boyd

Secretary -

Mr B Hufton

Treasurer -

Mr P Harrison

Other Members -

Mrs K M Harrison, Mrs A Hufton, Mrs S Boyd, Mr P Wood

and Mrs M Wood

The object of the charity is to promote kindness and prevent or suppress cruelty to animals.

The charity is run mainly on a voluntary basis and supplemented by a fully trained paid shop manageress.

Financial summary

The revenue account shows a surplus of £14,264 (2016: surplus £49,979) as detailed in the Income and Expenditure account on pages 4 of the financial statements, which has been transferred to reserves. The branch's major source of income is a charity shop.

Mrs V Vasper Chairman

Date: 29 May 2018

For and on behalf of the committee

V.A. Varpoul

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2017

	Notes	£	<u>2017</u> £	£ 2016 £
Funds General (accumulated fund)	1	£	309,921	£ 295,657
Assets Investments	2		200	200
Tangible fixed assets	3		148,892	152,995
Current assets Cash and bank balances Prepayments Current liabilities Creditors	_	169,146 - 169,146 8,317	160,829 309,921	142,290 5,793 148,083 5,621 £ 142,462 295,657

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

In a second	<u>Notes</u>	£	2017 £	£	2016 £
Income Sale of goods - shop			89,355		83,666
General Subscriptions and donations Bank and building society interest receive	d	2,696 191	2,887	2,306 254	2,560
Donations: Door to door collections Legacies General including		24,788		22,047 37,131	
collecting boxes Total income		170	24,958 £ 117,200	166 £_	59,344 145,570
Expenditure Branch contribution			500		500
Ratcliffe on Trent - Boarding costs - Veterinary charges		14,904 3,625	18,529	10,952 5,850	16,802
Homeless animal veterinary costs Occupation costs (kennels)		22,885 1,446	24,331	23,885 314	24,199
Publicity and appeals Publicity and advertising			6,051		4,387
Motor Depreciation General expenses		3,434 7,853	11,287	4,886 6,688	11,574
Fixtures and fittings depreciation			173		178
Property improvements depreciation			646		646
Administration Telephone and postage Other expenses(including shop) Total expenditure		1,051 40,368	41,419	949 36,356	37,305 95,591
Surplus/(deficit) of income over expenditure	1		14,264 £ 117,200	£	49,979 145,570

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

I. Funds		£
Balance at beginning of the year Income for the year		295,657 117,200
Expenditure for the year		412,857 102.936
Balance at end of the year	£	309,921

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	Market Value	Original Cost	Market Value	Original Cost
Government and Corporation stocks				
£200 31/2% War stock	201	200	201	200
	201	200	201	200

Due to Bank of England regulations, stock must be registered in the names of the Trustees.

The market value is the value shown by the Financial Times at 31 December 2017.

3. Tangible Fixed Assets

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Cost		-			
At 1st January 2017	135,767	11,739	26,334	5,806	179,646
Additions	-	-	-	150	150
At 31st December 2017	135,767	11,739	26,334	5,956	179,796
Depreciation					
At 1st January 2017	_	10,447	11,400	4,804	26,651
Charge for the year	-	646	3,434	173	4,253
At 31st December 2017	_	11,093	14,834	4,977	30,904
Net book value					
At 31st December 2017	135,767	646	11,500	979	148,892
At 31st December 2016	135,767	1,292	14,934	1,002	152,995

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING THE NOTTS WEST BRANCH OF THE RSPCA ON THURSDAY 31 MAY 2018

VENUE - THE RUSHLEY INN

APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE

Mrs S Boyd Mr M Boyd Mr B Hufton Mrs A Hufton C/Insp J Lawson

ADOPTION OF MINUTES 2016 To be approved if accepted.

There were no matters arising. Therefore it was proposed they should be accepted by Mr Phil Harrison. and seconded by Mr Peter Wood. All in favour.

<u>SECRETARIES REPORT</u> In the absence of the secretary Mrs Vasper read the secretary's report.

Tonight I was going to report another successful year for the branch but however recently listening to the reports from the RSPCA and Media on the increased animal cruelty especially in the Midlands I feel that a success story is far from the truth.

I reported last year on two cases of extreme cruelty to animals that my heart goes out to, and also to the Inspectors who have to be on the front line in dealing with the people who feel they can cause so much suffering. I am sure we all feel that the law in these circumstances should be much harder.

Not only do we have to deal with the inhuman animal cruelty but recently we were again dealt a blow when mindless vandals caused damage to our charity shop in breaking two of the large front windows at a cost of £650.

The membership of the branch continues to decline and this year 62 members were invited to the AGM. I again can only stress that without new members within the committee we will in a short number of years find it impossible to continue with the present structure of the Branch.

Within the year following a number of requests from owners outside our believed area a request for advice was made. The information given shows we are in the North West Region of the country with an area from NG15 to S81 being Annesley to Worksop.

Last year a contract was signed with the Radcliffe on Trent Animal Shelter that due to the expense of boarding animals at the kennels it was agreed that the Branch would pay 25% of all boarding and veterinary costs for the animals taken into the Shelter from our area. I am sure the treasurer will give us the figure for this amount.

The Charity shop continues to be the mainstay of our fundraising and year on year surprises us all with the continued increase in sale of goods brought into the shop by our supporters. We must thank everyone who gives so generously. We also give a big thanks to our managers Carol and Sue and the small number of volunteers for all there hard work in giving us another excellent year.

Following a discussion over the year it was agreed by the committee that due to increasing costs of the veterinary treatment it was agreed to increase our assistance in neutering vouchers by an extra twenty pounds per voucher and also increases in veterinary help.

Our contract with the Lincs Ferret Rescue has continued to be beneficial to the Branch and many Ferrets have been taken from our area to help in finding new homes.

Within the year the centre unfortunately had to move premises and requested financial help. It was agreed by the committee that a sum of five hundred pounds be given.

Over recent weeks we have had eight ferrets adopted that were taken from our area and we must thank Sharron Kincaid for all her hard work.

Before concluding the report I would like again to give our many thanks to Kim Forman our Branch Development Advisor for all her help over the year and also the committee members who continue to attend all the meetings making the decisions on the running of our Branch, and also to Phil who continues to work like no other for this Branch. Thank You.

TREASURERS REPORT Mr Harrison gave his report highlighting the following:

Branch surplus was down YOY due to no legacies received in 2017, however total Branch funds had increased to over £300,000.

The shop takings were up YOY by over £5000.

ROT charges for the year went up to £18,529 with veterinary and occupation kennel costs remaining relatively static.

<u>INSPECTORS REPORT</u> Inspector Ellis highlighted sections of the report produced by Chief Inspector Lawson, the whole report available in paper format to members.

Mr Vasper asked the question on how bad does animal cruelty have to be before a sentence is not suspended.

<u>REGIONAL MANAGER</u> Mr Tomlinson our Regional Representative gave a report on the work over the year of the RSPCA.

Referring to the question from Mr Vasper. The maximum sentence for animal cruelty in the U.K. is six months which is way below the rest of Europe, the Government has said it is committed to increasing to 5 years.

The new Chief Executive Chris Sherwood starts August 3rd.

The Charity Commission is very interested in the RSPCA, and is encouraging us to decrease from 25 to 20 Council Members. Regions may have to change again.

Charity Commission - Nation RSPCA is responsible for ALL Branch activities. More control will be exerted on the Branches from National RSPCA.

<u>ELECTION OF COMMITTEE</u> Members present were asked to fill out the ballot form.

<u>RESULT</u> All papers were returned approving the nine candidates who stood for committee membership.

ELECTION OF AUDITORS It was proposed that we should continue with Stopford Associates Auditors. Proposed Mr P.Harrison Seconded Mrs V Vasper All in Favour.

The chairman thanked Phil Harrison and Brian Hufton for there work through the year. She also thanked Committee Members for there attendance throughout the year and thanking Insp Keith Ellis and Mike Tomlinson for there support.

The Annual General Meeting was drawn to a close.