

ASWA 2022 Annual Report

ASWA have continued to focus on our main mission of raising awareness of animal welfare issues and encouraging Anglican churches and Church of England Christians to extend their circle of compassion to include animals. We are also aware that the current economic crisis has adversely affected many animal charities as well as those concerned with human beings.

In 2022, subscription income decreased from 2021 by just under £1,300 to £5,855 but conversely donation income rose by nearly £2,500 from 2021 to £8,519 in 2022. Income from sales of leaflets and cards was down by about £300 but the purchase costs of these goods also decreased by about £200. ASWA was very lucky to receive bequests worth £36,449 in 2022 and we are very grateful to supporters who remember us in their wills.

A higher return was earned on ASWA's investments in 2022 than in 2021 with dividends and gains on sales of investments earning £19,833, £2,800 more this year than in the previous year. Due to a change in accounting policy in 2021 unrealised gains and losses on investments are now shown in the Income and Expenditure account. Investments are now held at market value instead of cost giving rise to an unrealised loss of £80,542 from the value at 31 December 2021 but an unrealised profit of £15,971 since the change of policy. The war in Ukraine has undoubtedly had a negative effect on the value of the portfolio.

2022's total expenditure was £114 lower than it was in 2021 with most categories being comparable between the two years. Following the decision by the Committee to offer Creaturekind a grant of £5,000 to write some animal friendly liturgy in 2021, the grant was paid. Unfortunately, the resulting work was disappointing, so no further grants will be offered. Our miscellaneous animal expenses were up by nearly £1,300 to £1,717 this year but were greatly reduced from previous years. In 2022 we were lucky enough to be able to donate nearly £7,500 to help some other animal charities, many which were struggling due to rising costs of feed and bedding for their animals and electricity for their shelters. ASWA donated to diverse charities, amongst them sending greatly needed funds to help animals made homeless by the war in Ukraine, to rescue dogs from the Chinese meat trade, to help animals owned by the homeless through last winter, to rescue and rehabilitate abused, abandoned and old horses, to help dogs rescued from the tsunami in Tonga and to help fund outreach clinics in the Holy Land for the welfare of working donkeys.

In 2022, excluding the unrealised loss, income was down by nearly £10,000 (due to a decrease in bequests) and with total expenditure being virtually identical to that in 2021 ASWA would still have made a healthy profit of almost £37,000, albeit lower than the £46,000 made in 2021. However due to the change in accounting policy ASWA is reporting a loss of £43,779 due to an unrealised loss on investments for the year of £80,542.

Our AGM was held on-line once again. We have come to the conclusion that the AGM is better attended by our supporters if we hold it on Zoom because as they are so spread out around the country it is impossible to find a location accessible to all. This year, we were pleased to welcome our guest speaker - Mark Randell of Naturewatch who spoke in particular about his work in Ukraine. The talk was well received.

Animalwatch continued to be published and sent to our members. The magazine continues to be popular and our thanks must go to our excellent Editor and contributors.

Our Annual Service on Animal Welfare was held on Sunday, 2nd October. We were welcomed to St Mary-at-Latton Church in Harlow and our Secretary, Revd Samantha Chandler preached the sermon. The service was all-age and included a Blessing of animals. It is always a great opportunity to be able to take the ASWA message to a new congregation each year.

Our service at the Animals War Memorial on Remembrance Sunday was held on the afternoon of Sunday 13th November. Our guest speaker was the actress, Jenny Seagrove who spoke about her work as a Trustee of Mane Chance Sanctuary. A really good crowd gathered including representatives from the Northern Ireland Dog Unit and many attendees laid wreaths.

The ASWA Animal Friendly Church awards went ahead as normal and the joint winners were St Michael and All Angels, Chalton, Hampshire and All Saints and St Margaret's Church, Pakefield, Suffolk. Both churches received a hamper of cruelty free goodies and a brass plaque to display. Entry numbers are still low despite advertising so we need to look at new ways of encouraging more churches to take part.

The Animal Aid Christmas Fayre at Kensington Town Hall was sadly cancelled once again due to concern about Covid-19. ASWA usually attends this fundraising event with a stall.

Overall ASWA has continued to carry out valuable work in raising awareness of animal welfare issues within the Church. We are not the only Christian animal welfare charity but we are unique as we operate at a 'grass roots' level encouraging local churches to become involved and also holding events for Christians who love animals to attend. We are continually grateful to our loyal members for their wonderful support.

The Anglican Society for the Welfare of Animals 1087270

Accounts

31 December 2022

The Anglican Society for the Welfare of Animals

Reference and Administration Information

Registered Charity Number	1087270
Trustees	Revd Dr Helen Hall Revd Samantha Chandler Chris Brown Revd Jennifer Brown Phillip Petchey Keith Cottrell Janet Murphy Revd Lynn Hurry Revd Jaime Wright Revd Olivia Maxfield Coote
Principal Office	PO Box 7193, Hook, Hampshire, RG27 8GT
Secretary	Rev Samantha Chandler
Bankers	Lloyds Bank PLC
Independent Examiner	Vanessa Saunders FCA
Accountant	Helen Hellier
Investment Advisors	Quilter Cheviot

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Approval statement

I approve the accounts which comprise of the Income and Expenditure account and Balance Sheet. I acknowledge my responsibility for the accounts and for providing all of the information and explanations necessary for their compilation.

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Chris Brown – Treasurer

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Independent Examiner's Report on the unaudited accounts of the Anglican Society for the Welfare of Animals

I report on the accounts of the Anglican Society for the Welfare of Animals for the year ended 31 December 2022, which are set out on the attached page.

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 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's report

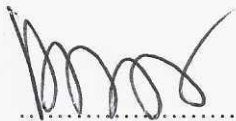
My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the account presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or 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 account presents a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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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 Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Acthave 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.



Vanessa Saunders – Independent Examiner

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Date 11/05/2023

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Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 December 2022

	<u>2022</u> £	<u>2021</u> £
Income		
Subscriptions	5,855	7,145
Donations	8,519	6,056
Sale of Leaflets and Cards	1,078	1,361
Bequests	36,449	50,000
Bank Interest	28	5
Dividends	6,679	6,677
Gain on Sale of Investments	13,153	10,365
	<u>71,761</u>	<u>81,609</u>
Unrealised (Loss)/Gain on Investments	(80,542)	96,513
	<u>(8,781)</u>	<u>178,122</u>
Expenditure		
Postage	1,222	1,068
Printing	227	702
Website	494	787
Stationery	37	421
Wages and Salaries	4,300	4,240
Goods for Resale, Including Christmas Cards	1,014	1,199
Equipment Hire or Purchase	412	0
Advertising	2,422	1,954
Animal Welfare Sunday Costs	1,457	1,184
Remembrance of Animals in War	1,122	782
Animal Watch Costs	6,577	5,514
Animal Friendly Church	580	1,758
Liturgical Resources Development	0	5,000
Bank Charges, Paypal and Stripe Costs	352	334
Investment Management Fees	2,960	2,991
Interest Paid on Purchase of Investments	177	0
Professional Fees	810	0
Subscriptions	144	0
Travel and Hotels	861	311
Donations to Other Charities	7,451	5,691
Insurance Costs	662	644
Animal Expenses	1,717	437
Miscellaneous Expenses	0	95
	<u>34,998</u>	<u>35,112</u>
(Deficit)/Surplus of Income over Expenditure	<u><u>(43,779)</u></u>	<u><u>143,010</u></u>

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Statements of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 December 2022

	<u>2022</u> <u>£</u>	<u>2021</u> <u>£</u>
Fixed Assets		
Investments at market value	374,197	439,139
Current Assets		
Trade debtors	0	50
Bank current account	116,696	95,021
Bank deposit account	67	67
COIF account	0	0
Quilter Income account	17,094	10,796
Quilter Capital account	3,981	9,182
Other Bank Accounts	<u>5,227</u>	<u>5,568</u>
	<u>143,065</u>	<u>120,684</u>
Current Liabilities		
Loans and overdrawn bank accounts	0	0
Short term creditors	<u>5,247</u>	<u>4,029</u>
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	137,818	116,655
	<u>512,015</u>	<u>555,794</u>
Capital Account		
Accumulated surplus	555,794	412,784
(Deficit)/Surplus for the year	(43,779)	143,010
	<u>512,015</u>	<u>555,794</u>

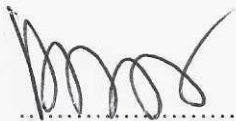
Investments are shown at market value of £374,197 with a book cost of £358,226 which gives rise to an unrealised loss of £80,542 as at 31 December 2022 and an unrealised profit to date of £15,971.

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