

# DOWNNS FARM TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1101181

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 2003-12-15

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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**Address** Downs Farm  
Yalding Hill  
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## Activities

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**Objects:** 1. FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC TO RELIEVE THE SUFFERING OF UNWANTED, ABANDONED, MISTREATED AND INJURED ANIMALS IN NEED OF CARE AND ATTENTION, PROVIDING FACILITIES FOR THEIR RESCUE, COLLECTION, RECOVERY, FEED AND SHELTER, AS WELL AS ANY ANCILLARY NEEDS2. TO PROMOTE HUMANE BEHAVIOUR TOWARDS ANIMALS BY PROVIDING CARE, REHABILITATION AND TRAINING FOR ANIMALS AND EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC IN RELATION TO ANIMAL WELFARE AND BEHAVIOUR.

**Activities:** To relieve the suffering of unwanted, abandoned, mistreated and injured animals and to promote human behaviour towards animals and education of the public in relation to animal welfare.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, Animals
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- Kent

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-10-31	£50,318	£55,854	-	-
2023-10-31	£46,431	£43,911	-	-
2022-10-31	£33,186	£40,674	-	-
2021-10-31	£16,046	£23,039	-	-
2020-10-31	£28,978	£25,320	-	-

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
Craig Michael Ellis		2024-04-25
GEORGE PURDIE		
NEALE ANDREW JACKSON		
NICOLA JANE JACKSON		

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**Downs Farm Trust**  
**Legal and administrative information**

**Trustees**

Neale Jackson  
Nicola Jackson  
George Purdie  
Craig Ellis

**Principal Office**

Downs Farm  
Yalding Hill  
Maidstone  
Kent  
ME18 6AL

**Accountants**

Henry Reeves & Co Limited  
Chartered Certified Accountants  
5 West Court  
Enterprise Road  
Maidstone  
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ME15 6JD

**Charity number**

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## **Downs Farm Trust Annual Report of the Trustees**

The trustees present their report along with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 October 2024

The trustees have had regard for the general guidance from the Charity Commission on public benefit when determining the charity's objectives.

The trustees must apply the income of the charity in furthering the followings objects:-

- (1) For the benefit of the public to relieve the suffering of unwanted, abandoned, mistreated and injured animals in need of care and attention. Providing facilities for their rescue, collection, recovery, feed and shelter as well as any ancillary needs.
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### **Reserves policy**

The trustees aim to hold reserves sufficient to meet the ongoing liabilities of the trust.

### **Governing document**

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### **Charity's activities and achievements during the period**

As ever as a charity we have continued caring for animals resident at the farm and also providing support and help to members of the public as and when required.

This year was not a good one at the farm. We sadly lost a number of our long term residents in quick succession, despite excellent veterinary care and round the clock nursing here at the farm. We lost 1 goat and 3 dogs but in these situations we always make the right decisions for the animals and do not allow them to suffer. One of the dogs arrived with us at just 5 weeks of age and we lost him at 15 years of age and he lived the most fantastic life on the farm so we take some comfort in that.

We welcomed some new goats to the farm who would otherwise have been sent for slaughter and they are fantastic, make people laugh every day and are living their best lives.

We have continued our fundraising via the charity shop, which continues to raise regular much needed funds and provides a good promotional tool for the charity and also a place for customers to talk about their animals and we can provide help if we can.

Our regular donations continue to come in every month.

Our social media pages are still up and running – informing users of our activities, what's happening at the farm and also providing a selling tool for items from the charity shop.

Our trustees continue to provide financial support to the charity as and when required. They pay out on a regular basis to buy supplies for the shop and provide maintenance and also help with feed/supplies bills for the animals.

This report was approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by

Trustee: N. Jackson

Date: 19/08/2025

## **Downs Farm Trust**

### **Independent examiners report to the Trustees of Downs Farm Trust**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Downs Farm Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 31 October 2024, which are set out on pages 5 to 7.

#### *Responsibilities and basis of report*

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trustee's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable 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 material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- (1) the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- (2) the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- (3) the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.

Signed:            Andrew Drinkwater

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Andrew Drinkwater FCCA  
For and on behalf of Henry Reeves & Co Limited  
5 West Court  
Enterprise Road  
Maidstone  
Kent  
ME15 6JD

Date:              26/08/2025

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**Downs Farm Trust**  
**Statement of financial activities**  
**(incorporating the income and expenditure account)**  
**for the year ended 31 October 2024**

	<b>Unrestricted funds 2024 £</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds 2023 £</b>
<b>Incoming resources</b>		
Donations	14,499	13,325
Shop Sales	35,819	33,106
Equine transportation	-	-
Raffle ticket & Fund Raiser	-	-
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<u>50,318</u>	<u>46,431</u>
<b>Direct charitable expenditure</b>		
Animal feed and consumables	22,834	25,972
Veterinary and associated costs	21,352	7,218
Rates	1,708	1,720
Farrier	2,425	2,765
Repairs and Maintenance	3,010	5,396
	<u>51,329</u>	<u>43,071</u>
<b>Management and administration</b>		
Accountancy fees	810	840
Depreciation	3,200	3,200
Credit charges	515	
	<u>4,525</u>	<u>4,040</u>
<b>Net (outgoing)/incoming resources</b>	<u>- 5,536</u>	<u>- 680</u>
<b>Fund balances brought forward</b>	17,520	18,200
<b>Fund balances carried forward</b>	<u>11,984</u>	<u>17,520</u>

**Downs Farm Trust**  
**Balance sheet as at 31 October 2024**

		<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>
	<b>Notes</b>	<b>2024 £</b>	<b>2023 £</b>
<b>Fixed assets</b>	2	12,800	16,000
<b>Current assets</b>			
Cash at bank and in hand		774	4,408
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	3 -	1,590	- 2,888
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>- 816</u>	<u>1,520</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>11,984</u>	<u>17,520</u>
<b>Income funds</b>			
Unrestricted funds		11,984	17,520
<b>Total funds</b>		<u>11,984</u>	<u>17,520</u>

N. Jackson  
Trustee  
Approved by the Trustees on: 19/08/2025

**Downs Farm Trust**  
**Notes to the Accounts**  
**For the year ended 31 October 2024**

**1 Accounting policies**

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and with the Charities Act 2011.

**Income**

Income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the receivable economic benefit, it is probable that this will be received, and the amount can be measured reliably.

**Expenditure**

Expenditure is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities when there is a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event, the transfer of economic benefits is probable and can be measured reliably.

**Stock**

Donated goods are only recognised on their sale, as the cost of valuation outweighs the benefit to users of the accounts.

**Depreciation**

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its estimated useful life

Equipment	10% straight line method
Motor vehicles	10% straight line method

**2 Tangible fixed assets**

	Equipment £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
<b>Cost</b>			
At 31 October 2023	23,910	32,000	55,910
Additions	-		-
Disposals			-
At 31 October 2024	<u>23,910</u>	<u>32,000</u>	<u>55,910</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>			
At 31 October 2023	23,910	16,000	39,910
Charge for the year		3,200	3,200
On disposals			-
At 31 October 2024	<u>23,910</u>	<u>19,200</u>	<u>43,110</u>
<b>Net book value</b>			
At 31 October 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>12,800</u>	<u>12,800</u>

**3 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year**

	2024 £	2023 £
Accrued costs	780	780
Other Creditors	810	2,108
	<u>1,590</u>	<u>2,888</u>

**4 Trustee Remuneration and expenses**

The trustees received no form of remuneration during the year ended 31 October 2024 (2023: £Nil).

During the year, a total of £24,551 was reimbursed to one trustee for costs incurred on behalf of the charity. (2023: £6,883 to one trustee).

The expenses reimbursed related to:

Vet costs	10,607
Animal Supplies	12,933
Repairs and Renewals	1,011
	<u>24,551</u>

No other payments were made to trustees.

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**Trustees** Neale Jackson  
Nicola Jackson  
George Purdie  
Craig Ellis (Appointed 25 April 2024)

**Principal Office** Downs Farm  
Yalding Hill  
Maidstone  
Kent  
ME18 6AL

**Accountants** Charcroft Baker LLP  
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors  
5 West Court  
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Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

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As ever as a charity we have continued to work caring for many animals' resident at the farm and providing support and help to members of the public as and when required.

We sadly lost 2 long term goat residents this year after a battle with their health.

We welcomed some new goats to the farm who were living in a bad situation and needed a better standard of care. We also welcomed two new dogs as permanent residents again both of whom needed a better standard of care due to health issues which we can provide here at the farm.

We have continued our fundraising via the charity shop, which continues to raise regular much needed funds and provides a good promotional tool for the charity and a place for customers to talk about their animals and we can provide help if we can.

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Trustee: N. Jackson

Date: 27/08/2024

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Signed: M.G Baker

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Michael Baker BA FCA  
For and on behalf of Charcroft Baker LLP  
Statutory Auditors  
5 West Court  
Enterprise Road  
Maidstone  
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ME15 6JD

Date: 27/08/2024

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**Downs Farm Trust**  
**Statement of financial activities**  
**(incorporating the income and expenditure account)**  
**for the year ended 31 October 2023**

	<b>Unrestricted funds 2023 £</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds 2022 £</b>
<b>Incoming resources</b>		
Donations	13,325	7,361
Shop Sales	33,106	25,495
Equine transportation	-	-
Raffle ticket & Fund Raiser	-	330
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<u>46,431</u>	<u>33,186</u>
<b>Direct charitable expenditure</b>		
Animal feed and consumables	25,972	22,339
Veterinary and associated costs	7,218	5,598
Rates	1,720	1,037
Farrier	2,765	2,670
Repairs and Maintenance	5,396	5,050
	<u>43,071</u>	<u>36,694</u>
<b>Management and administration</b>		
Accountancy fees	840	780
Depreciation	3,200	3,200
	<u>4,040</u>	<u>3,980</u>
<b>Net (outgoing)/incoming resources</b>	<u>- 680</u>	<u>- 7,488</u>
<b>Fund balances brought forward</b>	18,200	25,688
<b>Fund balances carried forward</b>	<u>17,520</u>	<u>18,200</u>

**Downs Farm Trust**  
**Balance sheet as at 31 October 2023**

		<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>
	<b>Notes</b>	<b>2023 £</b>	<b>2022 £</b>
<b>Fixed assets</b>	2	16,000	19,200
<b>Current assets</b>			
Cash at bank and in hand		4,408	440
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	3 -	2,888	- 1,440
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>1,520</u>	<u>- 1,000</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>17,520</u>	<u>18,200</u>
<b>Income funds</b>			
Unrestricted funds		17,520	18,200
<b>Total funds</b>		<u>17,520</u>	<u>18,200</u>

N. Jackson  
Trustee  
Approved by the Trustees on: 27/08/2024

**Downs Farm Trust**  
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Equipment	10% straight line method
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At 31 October 2022	23,910	32,000	55,910
Additions	-		-
Disposals			-
At 31 October 2023	<u>23,910</u>	<u>32,000</u>	<u>55,910</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>			
At 31 October 2022	23,910	12,800	36,710
Charge for the year		3,200	3,200
On disposals			-
At 31 October 2023	<u>23,910</u>	<u>16,000</u>	<u>39,910</u>
<b>Net book value</b>			
At 31 October 2023	<u>-</u>	<u>16,000</u>	<u>16,000</u>

**3 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year**

	2023 £	2022 £
Accrued costs	780	1,440
Other Creditors	2,108	-
	<u>2,888</u>	<u>1,440</u>

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### **Charity's activities and achievements during the period**

The charity has continued its work this year caring for the many resident animals at the farm, most of whom require regular and ongoing veterinary care and medications.

We have continued to support local wildlife where we can, helping birds, rabbits, squirrels, fish etc... We Supported a mother duck to raise her family of 9 ducklings (All reached adulthood in good health and are happily living in the wild now). We also support members of the public and their animals where we are needed.

We continue to run our social media pages, informing users of our activities and providing information on various animal welfare topics to the public and selling items to raise funds.

We took on another long term resident cat who came to us with a kitten after both were abandoned. The kitten has now been fostered out to a loving family and the mother cat will live at the farm as she is not suitable for rehoming due to her behaviour.

Our regular donations continue to come in every month.

The charity shop has gone from strength to strength and is popular with local residents and is proving to be a good advertising tool for the charity as well as raising much needed funds.

The trustees continue to provide financial assistance if required and have paid out on a regular

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Trustee: N. Jackson

Date: 15/08/2023

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**Statement of financial activities**  
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**for the year ended 31 October 2022**

	<b>Unrestricted funds 2022 £</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds 2021 £</b>
<b>Incoming resources</b>		
Donations	7361	4,596
Shop Sales	25495	9,612
Equine transportation	0	1,638
Raffle ticket & Fund Raiser	330	200
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<u>33,186</u>	<u>16,046</u>
<b>Direct charitable expenditure</b>		
Animal feed and consumables	22339	9,947
Veterinary and associated costs	5598	5,429
Rates	1037	529
Farrier	2670	2,140
Repairs and Maintenance	5050	1,074
	<u>36,694</u>	<u>19,119</u>
<b>Management and administration</b>		
Accountancy fees	780	720
Depreciation	3200	3,200
	<u>3,980</u>	<u>3,920</u>
<b>Net (outgoing)/incoming resources</b>	<u>(7,488)</u>	<u>(6,993)</u>
<b>Fund balances brought forward</b>	25,688	32,681
<b>Fund balances carried forward</b>	<u>18,200</u>	<u>25,688</u>

**Downs Farm Trust**  
**Balance sheet as at 31 October 2022**

		<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>
	<b>Notes</b>	<b>2022 £</b>	<b>2021 £</b>
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
	2	19200	22,400
<b>Current assets</b>			
Cash at bank and in hand		440	4,408
Debtors	3	-	200
		<u>440</u>	<u>4,608</u>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>			
	4	(1,440)	(1,320)
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>(1,000)</u>	<u>3,288</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>18,200</u>	<u>25,688</u>
<b>Income funds</b>			
Unrestricted funds		18,200	25,688
<b>Total funds</b>		<u>18,200</u>	<u>25,688</u>

N. Jackson  
Trustee  
Approved by the Trustees on: 15/08/2023

**Downs Farm Trust**  
**Notes to the Accounts**  
**For the year ended 31 October 2022**

**1 Accounting policies**

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The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and with the Charities Act 2011.

**Income**

Income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the receivable economic benefit, it is probable that this will be received, and the amount can be measured reliably.

**Expenditure**

Expenditure is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities when there is a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event, the transfer of economic benefits is probable and can be measured reliably.

**Stock**

Donated goods are only recognised on their sale, as the cost of valuation outweighs the benefit to users of the accounts.

**Depreciation**

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its estimated useful life

Equipment	10% straight line method
Motor vehicles	10% straight line method

**2 Tangible fixed assets**

	Equipment £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
<b>Cost</b>			
At 31 October 2021	23,910	32,000	55,910
Additions	-		-
Disposals			-
At 31 October 2022	<u>23,910</u>	<u>32,000</u>	<u>55,910</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>			
At 31 October 2021	23,910	9,600	33,510
Charge for the year		3,200	3,200
On disposals			-
At 31 October 2022	<u>23,910</u>	<u>12,800</u>	<u>36,710</u>
<b>Net book value</b>			
At 31 October 2022	<u>-</u>	<u>19,200</u>	<u>19,200</u>

**3 Debtors**

	2022 £	2021 £
Accrued Income	<u>-</u>	<u>200</u>

**4 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year**

	2022 £	2021 £
Accrued costs	<u>1,440</u>	<u>1,320</u>

**5 Trustee Remuneration and expenses**

The trustees received no form of remuneration during the year ended 31 October 2022 (2021: £Nil).

**DOWNS FARM TRUST**

England & Wales - Charity number 1101181

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# Accounts

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Downs Farm Trust  
Report and Accounts  
31 October 2020

Charity number  
1101181

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**Downs Farm Trust**  
**Legal and administrative information**

<b>Trustees</b>	Neale Jackson Nicola Jackson George Purdie
<b>Principal Office</b>	Downs Farm Yalding Hill Maidstone Kent ME18 6AL
<b>Accountants</b>	Charcroft Baker LLP Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors 5 West Court Enterprise Road Maidstone Kent ME15 6JD
<b>Charity number</b>	1101181

## **Downs Farm Trust Annual Report of the Trustees**

The trustees present their report along with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 October 2020

The trustees have had regard for the general guidance from the Charity Commission on public benefit when determining the charity's objectives.

The trustees must apply the income of the charity in furthering the followings objects:-

- (1) For the benefit of the public to relieve the suffering of unwanted, abandoned, mistreated and injured animals in need of care and attention. Providing facilities for their rescue, collection, recovery, feed and shelter as well as any ancillary needs.
- (2) To promote humane behaviour towards animals by providing care, rehabilitation and training for animals and education of the public in relation to animal welfare and behaviour.

### **Reserves policy**

The trustees aim to hold reserves sufficient to meet the ongoing liabilities of the trust.

### **Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

### **Names of trustees**

Neale Jackson  
Nicola Jackson  
George Purdie

In selecting individuals for appointment as trustees, the trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the charity.

### **Charity's principal address**

Downs Farm  
Yalding Hill  
Maidstone  
Kent  
ME18 6AL

### **Professional advisers**

Charcroft Baker LLP  
Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

**Downs Farm Trust  
Annual Report of the Trustees**

**Charity's activities and achievements during the period**

The charity has continued its work this year caring for the resident animals at the farm, most of whom require regular and ongoing veterinary care and medications.

Sadly, we lost a couple of long-term residents, due to ill health in old age, which is always very sad.

We have continued to support local wildlife where we can, helping birds, rabbits, squirrels, fish etc. We also support members of the public and their animals.

We continue to run our Facebook page informing users of our activities and providing information on various animal welfare topics to the public. We have also started up an Instagram page and also a fundraising page on Facebook- advertising items for sale with all profits going directly to the charity.

Following the success in rescuing a dog from Turkey last year we have agreed to support another street dog in Turkey- getting him shelter, veterinary care and support in Turkey whilst we wait to be able to bring him to the UK.

We continue to fundraise- selling donated items is working well now. We are also continuing the equine transport to raise funds.

The shortfall continues to be made up by donations from trustees.

This report was approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by

Trustee: N. Jackson

Date: 06/08/2021

## **Downs Farm Trust**

### **Independent examiners report to the Trustees of Downs Farm Trust**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Downs Farm Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 31 October 2020, which are set out on pages 5 to 7.

#### *Responsibilities and basis of report*

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trustee's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable 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 material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- (2) the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- (3) the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.

Signed: M.G Baker

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Michael Baker BA FCA  
For and on behalf of Charcroft Baker LLP  
Statutory Auditors  
5 West Court  
Enterprise Road  
Maidstone  
Kent  
ME15 6JD

Date: 06/08/2021

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**Downs Farm Trust**  
**Statement of financial activities**  
**(incorporating the income and expenditure account)**  
**for the year ended 31 October 2020**

	<b>Unrestricted funds 2020 £</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds 2019 £</b>
<b>Incoming resources</b>		
Donations	27,028	26,072
Sale of donated goods	-	1,467
Equine transportation	1,745	1,042
Raffle ticket & Fund Raiser	205	936
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<u>28,978</u>	<u>29,517</u>
<b>Direct charitable expenditure</b>		
Animal feed and consumables	11,442	6,797
Veterinary and associated costs	6,378	7,761
Demo Costs	-	710
Farrier	2,077	1,625
Repairs and Maintenance	1,563	2,943
	<u>21,460</u>	<u>19,836</u>
<b>Management and administration</b>		
Accountancy fees	660	600
Depreciation	3,200	3,200
Profit on sale Fixed asset	-	(22,000)
	<u>3,860</u>	<u>(18,200)</u>
<b>Net incoming resources</b>	<u>3,658</u>	<u>27,881</u>
<b>Fund balances brought forward</b>	29,023	1,142
<b>Fund balances carried forward</b>	<u>32,681</u>	<u>29,023</u>

**Downs Farm Trust**  
**Balance sheet as at 31 October 2020**

		<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>
	<b>Notes</b>	<b>2020 £</b>	<b>2019 £</b>
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
	2	25,600	28,800
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	3	-	233
Cash at bank and in hand		7,681	1,190
		<u>7,681</u>	<u>1,423</u>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>			
	4	(600)	(1,200)
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>7,081</u>	<u>223</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>32,681</u>	<u>29,023</u>
<b>Income funds</b>			
Unrestricted funds		32,681	29,023
<b>Total funds</b>		<u>32,681</u>	<u>29,023</u>

N. Jackson  
Trustee  
Approved by the Trustees on: 06/08/2021

**Downs Farm Trust**  
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<b>Depreciation</b>			
At 31 October 2019	23,910	3,200	27,110
Charge for the year		3,200	3,200
On disposals			-
At 31 October 2020	<u>23,910</u>	<u>6,400</u>	<u>30,310</u>
<b>Net book value</b>			
At 31 October 2020	<u>-</u>	<u>25,600</u>	<u>25,600</u>

**3 Debtors**

	2020 £	2019 £
Prepaid costs	-	233

**4 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year**

	2020 £	2019 £
Accrued costs	600	1,200

**5 Trustee Remuneration and expenses**

The trustees received no form of remuneration during the year ended 31 October 2020 (2019: £Nil).