

ASHFIELDS EQUESTRIAN TRUST

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 JULY 2022

ASHFIELDS EQUESTRIAN TRUST

TRUSTEES: Ms Z E Morgan - Chair
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ASHFIELDS EQUESTRIAN TRUST
TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2022

The trustees present their report along with the financial statements of the charity for the period ended 31 July 2022. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on pages 6 and 7 and comply with the charity's trust deed and applicable law.

Constitution and objects

The Charity's objects are for the promotion for the benefit of the young or disabled people of the amateur sport of carriage driving, by providing facilities and equipment.

Organisation

The trustees who have served during the period are set out on page 1. Trustees were initially appointed from volunteers from amongst interested sectors of the community and all serve on the committee. Half of the members of the Committee are subject to election or re-election at the Annual General Meeting for a period of two years. The Committee meets regularly to discuss the running of the charity, and various sub-committees are formed to address specific issues, such as fund raising.

Financial Review

Incoming resources for the year amounted to £116,521 (2021: £118,789). Total resources expended for the year were £121,337 (2021: £125,274).

The net movement in funds was (£4,816) (2021: (£6,485)).

The net assets of the charity as at 31 July 2022 were £18,477 (2021: £23,293). The net book value of fixed assets as at 31 July 2022 was £6,844 (2021: £8,927).

Review of achievements during the year

This year has been on wards and up wards to get things back to normal after Covid to build peoples confidence to come back and try carriage driving. Flay has been with us for over a year now, he has been amazing with our drivers to help them to regain confidence and come back out and use the fantastic facilities at Ashfields. We have been building a group of young drivers with specific learning disabilities, who now regularly attend.

We have started to work with Barrow farm Riding and Driving for the disabled, some of their carriage drivers have been here driving Flay around the tracks which enables them to drive safely off the roads. In June Barrow farm held a very successful summer camp, they brought 2 of their ponies and drove Flay alongside them.

The carriage museum has been open throughout the year with visitors viewing the museums historic carriage collection. Talks are given to explain the history of each of the carriages on display and other historic equestrian artefacts.

The support continues from the East Anglia carriage driving group, holding junior camps and training days. Ashfield's works very closely with the East Anglia driving group as their objectives and views to encouraging people of all ages and disabilities into driving and other life skills, such as communication, organisation and working with others, a huge benefit to those who were unable to interact and get out in the community through Covid.

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Reserves Policy

The charity's policy is to maintain sufficient reserves to cover its operational costs for at least the following 3 months. At the year end, the charity had sufficient reserves to comply with this policy. The level of reserves is kept under close scrutiny by the trustees.

Public Benefit

The Trustees have complied with the duty in Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Charities Commission. They have referred to the guidance in the Charity Commission's general guidance on Public Benefit when reviewing the Trust's aims and objectives and in planning future activities as demonstrated above

Risk Management

The trustees have examined the major operational, strategic and business risks which the charity faces and confirm that appropriate systems are in place to mitigate the effects of these risks.

Trustee's responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial period, which give a true and fair view of the charity's financial activities during the period and of its financial position at the end of the period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Ms Z E Morgan

Date: 30 March 2023



INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO
THE TRUSTEES OF ASHFIELDS EQUESTRIAN TRUST

This report on the accounts of the trustees for the year ended 31 July 2022, which are set out on pages 4 to 11, is in respect of an examination carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011.

Respective responsibilities of the trustees and examiner

As the members of the trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (The 2011 Act) does not apply.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act.
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)9(b) of the Charities Act); and
- To state whether in particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 the 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 are 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 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 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.



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Date: 30 March 2023

ASHFIELDS EQUESTRIAN TRUST
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS 2022	TOTAL FUNDS 2021
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Activities in furtherance of the charity's Objectives	1	27,564	-	27,564	14,264
Activities for generating funds	2	88,957	-	88,957	104,525
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		116,521	-	116,521	118,789
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Cost of generating funds	3	25,623	-	25,623	33,898
Costs of activities undertaken directly	4	93,264	-	93,264	88,805
Governance costs		2,450	-	2,450	2,571
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		121,337	-	121,337	125,274
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS FOR THE YEAR		(4,816)	-	(4,816)	(6,485)
BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD					
At 1 August 2021		23,118	175	23,293	29,778
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD					
At 31 July 2022		18,302	175	18,477	23,293

ASHFIELDS EQUESTRIAN TRUST**BALANCE SHEET – 31 JULY 2022**

	Notes	2022		2021	
		£	£	£	£
TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	5		6,844		8,927
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	6	1,162		388	
Cash at bank and in hand		16,291		18,301	
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		17,453		18,689	
LIABILITIES					
Amounts falling due in 1 year	7	5,820		4,323	
NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)			11,633		14,366
TOTAL ASSETS			18,477		23,293
FUNDS					
Unrestricted			175		175
Restricted			18,302		23,118
			18,477		23,293

Approved by the Committee of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:

Ms Z E Morgan

Date of Approval: 30 March 2023



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PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES OF ASHFIELDS EQUESTRIAN TRUST

The financial statements have been prepared under historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Small Entities (effective January 2007), the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' issued in March 2005 (SORP 2005) and the Charities Act 1993.

The principal accounting policies of the Trust are set out below.

Fund accounting

The Trust's general reserves consist of funds which the Trust may use for its purpose at its own discretion.

Income

General income relates to transactions, which are unallocated to departmental activities.

Interest, rental and dividend income is credited when receivable to income and expenditure account.

All voluntary income is included in the financial statements on receipt.

Donations under gift aid plus the associated income tax recovery are recognised as income when received.

Legacies to which the charity is entitled are included in the statement of financial activities unless they are incapable of measurement.

Intangible income is valued and included in income to the extent that it represents goods or services, which would otherwise be purchased. An equivalent amount is charged as expenditure. Voluntary help is not included as income.

Fixed assets and depreciation

Fixed assets are included in financial statements at historical cost less depreciation.

Donated assets are recognised in financial statements on receipt.

Depreciation is calculated to write down the cost of all tangible fixed assets (other than freehold property) over their expected useful economic lives. The periods or rates generally applicable are:

Plant and machinery	- 25% reducing balance
Leasehold property	- 10% of cost

Stock

Stock is stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

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Taxation

The Trust has charitable status and is afforded the tax exemptions set out in the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988.

Foreign currencies

Income received from overseas in foreign currencies is translated at the rate of exchange ruling at the transaction date. Similarly for payments made.

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INCOMING RESOURCES

1. Activities in furtherance
of the charity's objectives

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2022 £	TOTAL 2021 £
Donations	27,564	-	27,564	14,264
	<u>27,564</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>27,564</u>	<u>14,264</u>

2. Activities for The Generation of Funds:

Funds generated by:	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2022 £	TOTAL 2021 £
Livery	82,202	-	82,202	76,146
Flat rental	6,755	-	6,755	13,450
Grants	-	-	-	14,929
	<u>88,957</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>88,957</u>	<u>104,525</u>

RESOURCES EXPENDED:

3. Cost of generating funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2022 £	TOTAL 2021 £
Materials Purchased	25,191	-	25,191	33,196
Hire of Equipment	-	-	-	-
Vets/Medical	432	-	432	702
	<u>25,623</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,623</u>	<u>33,898</u>

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4. Costs of activities in furtherance of the charity's objects:

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2022 £	TOTAL 2021 £
Gross Wages	37,708	-	37,708	37,825
Pension contributions	741	-	741	760
Sub-Contract	5,734	-	5,734	6,298
Water Rates	739	-	739	478
General Rates	1,167	-	1,167	(205)
Oil	983	-	983	1,402
Electricity	21,909	-	21,909	12,840
Repairs & Servicing	335	-	335	1,583
Telephone	521	-	521	468
Bank Charges	133	-	133	-
Vehicle expenses	2,742	-	2,742	1,693
Insurance	6,765	-	6,765	7,526
Website hosting	600	-	600	150
General expenses	371	-	371	830
Premises expenses	10,733	-	10,733	15,074
Depreciation	2,083	-	2,083	2,083
	<hr/> 93,264	-	<hr/> 93,264	<hr/> 88,805

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5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Plant & Machinery £	Leasehold Property £	Total £
COST			
At 1 August 2021	11,891	11,889	23,780
Additions	-	-	-
At 31 July 2022	11,891	11,889	23,780
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 August 2021	8,314	6,539	14,853
Charge for year	894	1,189	2,083
At 31 July 2022	9,208	7,728	16,936
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 July 2022	2,683	4,161	6,844
At 31 July 2021	3,577	5,350	8,927
6. DEBTORS	2022		2021
Prepayments	1,162		388
	1,162		388
7. CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within 1 year	<u>2022</u>		<u>2021</u>
	£		£
Other creditors	3,419		2,665
Accruals	2,401		1,658
	5,820		4,323

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The average number of employees during the year was 2 (2021: 2).

No employee received more than £50,000 in emoluments during the year (2021: Nil)

During the year, no trustees received any remuneration (2021 Nil) nor reimbursement of expenses (2021 Nil).

The total resources expended on managing and administering the charity of £2,450 (2021: £2,571) includes the cost of the independent review of the financial statements of £1,290 (2021: £937).