



# **LOWLANDS FARM RIDING FOR THE DISABLED ASSOCIATION**

**Registered under Charity Number 1169453**

**A Member of Riding for Disabled Association Incorporating Carriage Driving**

**Registered under Charity number 244108**

## **Trustee Annual Report Financial Year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021**

Lowlands Farm Riding for the Disabled Association became a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2016. The Constitution is the standard CIO Constitution of the Riding for the Disabled Association adopted at a meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2016. The aim of the Association is to provide disabled people with the opportunity to ride and drive, to benefit their health and well-being, in Shrewley and the surrounding area. The Charity's correspondence address is: Lowlands Equestrian Centre, Old Warwick Road, Shrewley, Warwickshire, CV35 7AX

The Trustees during the year to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 were as follows:

Ms Marisa Bretherton-McKay – Chair (re-elected Chair 29<sup>th</sup> December, 2020)

Ms Louise Clarke – Treasurer (re-elected 29<sup>th</sup> December, 2020)

Mr. David Ivens – Secretary (re-elected Secretary 29<sup>th</sup> December 2020)

Ms Alex Cloughton – Participant representative (elected 19<sup>th</sup> January 2020)

Ms Sue Mack – Coaching (elected 19<sup>th</sup> January 2020)

The activities of the Group take place at Lowlands Equestrian Centre but during the year under review activities have been severely restricted due to the Covid Pandemic.

The first tentative exposure was in August 2020 where we introduced horse therapy sessions under strictly controlled conditions, whereby young participants could come and familiarise themselves with their favourite ponies, by grooming, stroking or otherwise interacting at close quarters.

This was offered as a free initiative to youngsters who had been previous riders.

In October 2020, the Group introduced small, carefully managed riding sessions again, with very restricted access and careful attention to all the recommended protection protocols, including tack cleaning, hand-washing, and face masks.

The sessions had to be cancelled in late December and were not re-started until well into the next financial year, by which time the Trustees had decided to consolidate its activities into a Saturday only service.

### **Activities**

During this period, we delivered a total of 55 individual services.

Consisting of 20 Group sessions (up to 4 riders, but rarely achieved this);

1 Private lesson,

and 17 Horse Therapy events.

There were 16 participants in all

14 of our participants were 25 and under

2 were over 25 years of age

There were no new participants.

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## **Fundraising**

A few local loyal supporting groups had provided donations during the year, but their fundraising activities had been much affected as well.

However, as a result of the transfer of ownership of the horses in the previous year, the Association's income is now better aligned with its running costs, but fundraising activities will re-start in the next financial year to provide essential equipment and upgrades. The Association will also fundraise in order to cover maintenance and running costs of the Mechanical horse.

The Group's bankers throughout the year were Nat West Bank, Royal Priors, 59 The Parade, Leamington Spa CV32 4ZX

The Charity has no employees but pays one self-employed coach per session (from September 2019) and is otherwise entirely reliant on voluntary helpers who are trained on a regular basis.

During the year, 24 loyal volunteers, who are now also Members of the Group, provided riding and fundraising support to enable the group to carry out its prime objectives.

The Trustees have approved this Report

Marisa Bretherton-McKay (Group Chair)

For and on behalf of the Trustees

10<sup>th</sup> December 2021

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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

LOWLANDS FARM RIDING FOR  
THE DISABLED ASSOCIATION

On accounts for the year  
ended

31st MARCH 2021

Charity no  
(if any)

1169453

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above  
charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/3/2021.

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 Trust's accounts carried out  
under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I  
have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission  
under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent  
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have  
come to my attention (~~other than that disclosed below~~) in connection with  
the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material  
respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of  
the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection  
with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a  
proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

C. Parr

Date:

28/11/2021

Name:

CRAIG PARR

Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):

FCA (ICAEW)

Address:

1 THROCKMORTON CLOSE  
WARWICK  
CV35 7HY

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

**Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.**





CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Lowlands Farm Riding for the Disabled Association

1169453

## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period  
from

1 April 2020

To

31 March 2021

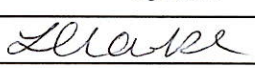
### Section A Receipts and payments

|                                                       | Unrestricted funds<br>to the nearest £ | Restricted funds<br>to the nearest £ | Endowment funds<br>to the nearest £ | Total funds<br>to the nearest £ | Last year<br>to the nearest £ |
|-------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>A1 Receipts</b>                                    |                                        |                                      |                                     |                                 |                               |
| Donations                                             | 5,436                                  | -                                    | -                                   | 5,436                           | 2,860                         |
| Grants                                                | -                                      | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | 100                           |
| Fund generation - horse shares                        | -                                      | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | -                             |
| Fund generation - fundraising                         | -                                      | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | 2,333                         |
| Charitable income - riding income                     | 846                                    | -                                    | -                                   | 846                             | 22,667                        |
| Other income                                          | -                                      | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | -                             |
|                                                       | -                                      | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | -                             |
|                                                       | -                                      | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | -                             |
| <b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>                | <b>6,281</b>                           | <b>-</b>                             | <b>-</b>                            | <b>6,281</b>                    | <b>27,960</b>                 |
| <b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>    |                                        |                                      |                                     |                                 |                               |
|                                                       | -                                      | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | -                             |
|                                                       | -                                      | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | -                             |
| <b>Sub total</b>                                      | <b>-</b>                               | <b>-</b>                             | <b>-</b>                            | <b>-</b>                        | <b>-</b>                      |
| <b>Total receipts</b>                                 | <b>6,281</b>                           | <b>-</b>                             | <b>-</b>                            | <b>6,281</b>                    | <b>27,960</b>                 |
| <b>A3 Payments</b>                                    |                                        |                                      |                                     |                                 |                               |
| Charitable expenditure                                | 2,101                                  | -                                    | -                                   | 2,101                           | 188                           |
| Cost of charitable activities - coach costs           | 480                                    | -                                    | -                                   | 480                             | -                             |
| Cost of charitable activities - horse hire            | 1,038                                  | -                                    | -                                   | 1,038                           | 15,125                        |
| Cost of charitable activities - coach hire            | -                                      | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | 1,120                         |
| Cost of generating funds - fundraising                | -                                      | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | 2,279                         |
| Support costs - repairs & maintenance                 | 874                                    | -                                    | -                                   | 874                             | 259                           |
| Support costs - equipment for lessons                 | 101                                    | -                                    | -                                   | 101                             | 277                           |
| Support costs - volunteers costs                      | 366                                    | -                                    | -                                   | 366                             | 122                           |
| Support costs - admin & office costs                  | 1,031                                  | -                                    | -                                   | 1,031                           | 2,103                         |
| Bank and other charges                                | 10                                     | -                                    | -                                   | 10                              | -                             |
|                                                       | -                                      | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | -                             |
| <b>Sub total</b>                                      | <b>6,000</b>                           | <b>-</b>                             | <b>-</b>                            | <b>6,000</b>                    | <b>21,473</b>                 |
| <b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b> |                                        |                                      |                                     |                                 |                               |
|                                                       | -                                      | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | -                             |
|                                                       | -                                      | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | -                             |
| <b>Sub total</b>                                      | <b>-</b>                               | <b>-</b>                             | <b>-</b>                            | <b>-</b>                        | <b>-</b>                      |
| <b>Total payments</b>                                 | <b>6,000</b>                           | <b>-</b>                             | <b>-</b>                            | <b>6,000</b>                    | <b>21,473</b>                 |
| <b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>                     | <b>281</b>                             | <b>-</b>                             | <b>-</b>                            | <b>281</b>                      | <b>6,487</b>                  |
| <b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>                     | <b>-</b>                               | <b>-</b>                             | <b>-</b>                            | <b>-</b>                        | <b>-</b>                      |
| <b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>                    | <b>14,944</b>                          | <b>-</b>                             | <b>-</b>                            | <b>14,944</b>                   | <b>8,457</b>                  |
| <b>Cash funds this year end</b>                       | <b>15,225</b>                          | <b>-</b>                             | <b>-</b>                            | <b>15,225</b>                   | <b>14,944</b>                 |

## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

| Categories                                          | Details                                                | Unrestricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Restricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Endowment funds<br>to nearest £ |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>B1 Cash funds</b>                                | Natwest current account                                | 15,046                             | -                                | -                               |
|                                                     | Cash in hand                                           | 179                                | -                                | -                               |
|                                                     |                                                        | -                                  | -                                | -                               |
|                                                     | <b>Total cash funds</b>                                | <b>15,225</b>                      | <b>-</b>                         | <b>-</b>                        |
|                                                     | (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s)) | OK                                 | OK                               | OK                              |
|                                                     |                                                        | Unrestricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Restricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Endowment funds<br>to nearest £ |
| <b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>                     |                                                        | -                                  | -                                | -                               |
|                                                     |                                                        | -                                  | -                                | -                               |
|                                                     |                                                        | -                                  | -                                | -                               |
|                                                     |                                                        | -                                  | -                                | -                               |
|                                                     |                                                        | -                                  | -                                | -                               |
|                                                     |                                                        | -                                  | -                                | -                               |
|                                                     |                                                        | -                                  | -                                | -                               |
| <b>B3 Investment assets</b>                         |                                                        | Fund to which asset belongs        | Cost (optional)                  | Current value (optional)        |
|                                                     |                                                        |                                    | -                                | -                               |
|                                                     |                                                        |                                    | -                                | -                               |
|                                                     |                                                        |                                    | -                                | -                               |
|                                                     |                                                        |                                    | -                                | -                               |
|                                                     |                                                        |                                    | -                                | -                               |
| <b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b> |                                                        | Fund to which asset belongs        | Cost (optional)                  | Current value (optional)        |
|                                                     | Para rider hoist                                       | Restricted                         | 3,846                            | 3,846                           |
|                                                     |                                                        |                                    | -                                | -                               |
|                                                     |                                                        |                                    | -                                | -                               |
|                                                     |                                                        |                                    | -                                | -                               |
|                                                     |                                                        |                                    | -                                | -                               |
|                                                     |                                                        |                                    | -                                | -                               |
|                                                     |                                                        |                                    | -                                | -                               |
|                                                     |                                                        |                                    | -                                | -                               |
| <b>B5 Liabilities</b>                               |                                                        | Fund to which liability relates    | Amount due (optional)            | When due (optional)             |
|                                                     |                                                        |                                    | -                                |                                 |
|                                                     |                                                        |                                    | -                                |                                 |
|                                                     |                                                        |                                    | -                                |                                 |
|                                                     |                                                        |                                    | -                                |                                 |
|                                                     |                                                        |                                    | -                                |                                 |

|                                                             |                                                                                     |               |                  |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|------------------|
| Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees | Signature                                                                           | Print Name    | Date of approval |
|                                                             |  | LOUISE CLARKE | 28/11/21         |
|                                                             |                                                                                     |               |                  |