

# ANIMAL ANTIKS

England & Wales · Charity number 1172099

## Details

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Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	<a href="#">10226808</a>
Registered	2017-03-16
Register	<a href="#">View on the Charity Commission register</a>

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## Activities

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**Objects:** (1) TO PROMOTE SOCIAL INCLUSION FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT BY PREVENTING PEOPLE FROM BECOMING EXCLUDED, RELIEVING THE NEEDS OF THOSE PEOPLE WHO ARE SOCIALLY EXCLUDED (IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT LIMITED TO THOSE WITH PHYSICAL, MENTAL, SOCIAL OR EMOTIONAL DISABILITIES OR DISADVANTAGES) BY PROVIDING EQUINE-ASSISTED THERAPEUTIC AND EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES THAT MAY ALSO INVOLVE OTHER ANIMALS IN ORDER TO ASSIST THEM TO INTEGRATE INTO SOCIETY(2) TO PROMOTE HUMANE BEHAVIOUR TOWARDS ANIMALS BY PROVIDING APPROPRIATE CARE, PROTECTION, TREATMENT AND SECURITY FOR ANIMALS WHICH ARE IN NEED OF CARE AND ATTENTION BY REASON OF SICKNESS, MALTREATMENT, POOR CIRCUMSTANCES OR ILL-USAGE AND TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC IN MATTERS PERTAINING TO ANIMAL WELFARE IN GENERAL AND THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY AND SUFFERING AMONG ANIMALS IN SUB-CLAUSE (1), "EMOTIONAL DISABILITIES" WILL ENCOMPASS THOSE BENEFICIARIES WHO STRUGGLE WITH LOW SELF-ESTEEM OR SELF-CONFIDENCE, OR HAVE DIFFICULTY WITH COMMUNICATION AND RELATIONSHIPS OR IN REGULATING EMOTIONS (SUCH AS ANGER, ANXIETY AND SADNESS), OR WHO LACK EMOTIONAL STABILITY AND RESILIENCE. "DISADVANTAGES" WILL ENCOMPASS THOSE BENEFICIARIES WHO EXPERIENCE SOCIAL OR EDUCATIONAL EXCLUSION OR LACK OF OPPORTUNITY, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT FACTORS SUCH AS SOCIO-ECONOMIC OR EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND OR PHYSICAL, MENTAL, COMMUNICATIONAL, BEHAVIOURAL OR EMOTIONAL DIFFICULTIES. FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE CLAUSE 'SOCIALLY EXCLUDED' MEANS BEING EXCLUDED FROM SOCIETY, OR PARTS OF SOCIETY, AS A RESULT OF ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING FACTORS: UNEMPLOYMENT; FINANCIAL HARDSHIP; YOUTH OR OLD AGE; ILL HEALTH (PHYSICAL OR MENTAL); SUBSTANCE ABUSE OR DEPENDENCY INCLUDING ALCOHOL AND DRUGS; DISCRIMINATION ON THE GROUNDS OF SEX, RACE, DISABILITY ETHNIC ORIGIN, RELIGION, BELIEF, CREED, SEXUAL ORIENTATION OR GENDER RE-ASSIGNMENT; POOR EDUCATIONAL OR SKILLS ATTAINMENT; RELATIONSHIP AND FAMILY BREAKDOWN; POOR HOUSING (THAT IS HOUSING THAT DOES NOT MEET BASIC HABITABLE STANDARDS); CRIME (EITHER AS A VICTIM OF CRIME OR AS AN OFFENDER REHABILITATING INTO SOCIETY).

**Activities:** Animal Antiks operates on a working farm based in the village of North Marston, Buckinghamshire located in between the towns of Aylesbury and Buckingham. On a daily basis the farm supports children and adults with all disabilities, bringing them together in a safe and unique non-segregated environment, promoting and enhancing key life, social and functional skills through bespoke therapeutic

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, Disability
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities

## Geography

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- Buckinghamshire

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£218,090	£182,347	-	-
2024-03-31	£160,983	£161,203	-	-
2023-03-31	£411,806	£405,216	-	-
2022-03-31	£579,611	£579,894	£112,329	18
2021-03-31	£387,305	£307,023	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>SARAH LOUISE KETTLETY</b>	Chair	2017-04-01
Donna Ray Daniels- Moss		2019-06-25
Nicholas Sear		2024-06-01

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# ANIMAL ANTIKS THE CARING FARM

## Charity Commission Report 2023-2024

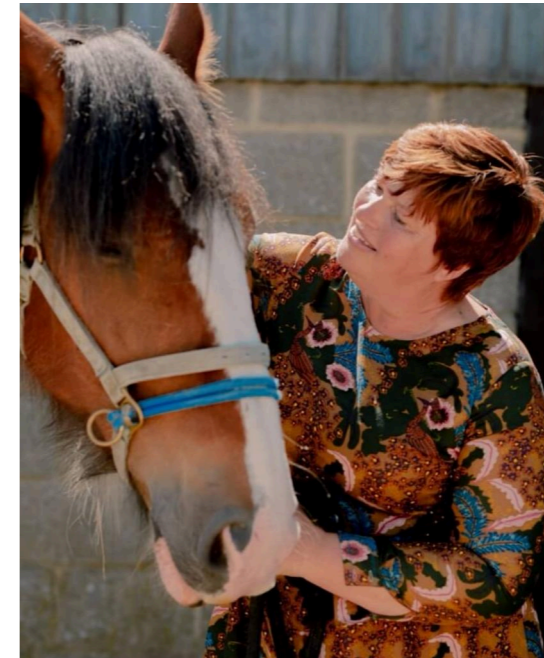


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## Chairman's Summary



Animal Antiks has seen another year of increased demand for the services we provide for our adult social care and wellbeing activities. This is a worrying trend which seems to have exploded during the pandemic and not yet begun to slow.

As we set out in the last report, in September 2022, the organisation was divided with educational services being separated from our social care and wellbeing activities which remain under the charity. This was to better serve our clients and give the Charity a clearer profile.

The change also enables us to donate a percentage of any profit made from the educational business to subsidise some of our wellbeing offerings.

Animal Antiks is a popular Farm Care and Animal Assisted Wellbeing provider in Buckinghamshire, and we continue to receive referrals from our own Adult Social Care team as well as those from neighbouring counties including Bedfordshire, Hertfordshire, Oxfordshire and Northamptonshire.

We see over 50 adults each week for a wide programme of activities designed to improve mental wellbeing, social interaction and physical activity.

Sadly, in our area, we are still seeing increased social anxiety, loneliness and feelings of isolation in referrals but are now seeing more cases of a complete breakdown in the ability or desire to communicate or engage in day to day activities. Clearly the local health services, hospitals and social care providers are becoming even more stretched and many are at capacity with long waiting lists for assessment, let alone support.

During the year we continued our work with Buckinghamshire Mind, providing walks for their service users to help improve their mental health and wellbeing, as well as giving them gentle exercise. Those who have participated found the walks to have positive benefits including friendship, feeling revitalised and something to look forward to.

Healthy Minds/Talking Therapies started the year with regular walks, funded by the charity but after six months they felt that the walks were so beneficial for their service users that they then paid for four blocks of six weeks of walks.

The walks we ran for SPACE were funded which meant they were only able to run for a given time, however, if further funding is acquired, we would be able to open up another walk for them.

We were able to make a few visits to care homes this year but spent a lot of the year restricted by the potential TB breakout scare so we had to cancel some visits that were due and decline to accept any new bookings until the restrictions had been lifted. We were able to rebook the cancelled visits but most then fell into the following reporting year.

The first few years after the pandemic were unsettled as we all got back to 'normal', whatever that looked like, but I can now say that as an organisation, Animal Antiks has found its feet and is making strong progress both in increasing our offering for mental health support and moving towards our future goals.

Over the course of 2022/23, I feel that we have built on last year's successes, learnt more about our strengths and identified areas for improvement to continue to provide support for those facing the challenges that poor mental health, isolation or learning difficulties brings to their lives. One of the main areas that we will be concentrating on is fundraising. Without grants, donations and sponsorship, we cannot expand the Charity provision we offer.

Thank you to everyone who made the last year as successful as it has been.

Sarah Kettlely  
Chair of Trustees

## Trustees



Sarah Kettlely, Chair of Trustees, is at the heart of everything we do at Animal Antiks.

Her love of animals and passion for enriching lives and empowering people is clear to see.

Nick Sear has taken on the role of trustee this year, following the retirement of a previous trustee.

This role is in addition to being our Farm Manager and joint owner of Animal Antiks.



Donna Daniels-Moss is our Safeguarding Trustee.

Her input and support for all of our Safeguarding needs is much appreciated.

## A Year in Focus

We are pleased to report that we have continued to widen the scope of our services and activities throughout 2022/23. There is an evident increase in demand for services for people experiencing social isolation, poor mental health and as an alternative to day care centres.

As we mentioned in our last report, the charity was successful in securing funding to introduce a breakfast club for the Education students as part of the Cost of Living funding from the National Lottery.



This funding has proved a vital tool in allowing our young people to learn about healthy food choices to start their day and fuel their bodies to carry out their tasks.

This led to an improvement in their ability to focus and engage fully. We have also noticed a change in their social behaviour. Having breakfast together gave them opportunities for socialising and starting the day on a positive note.



We have also been able to provide snacks/lunch and hot drinks for those who needed it.

The funding has also enabled us to provide overalls and hoodies to all the students to help them stay clean and warm, while protecting their own clothing.

We have been busy behind the scenes too, with a lot of investment around the farm to improve facilities.

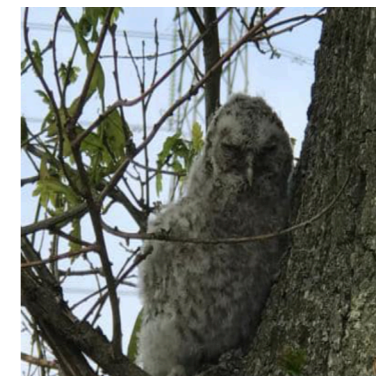
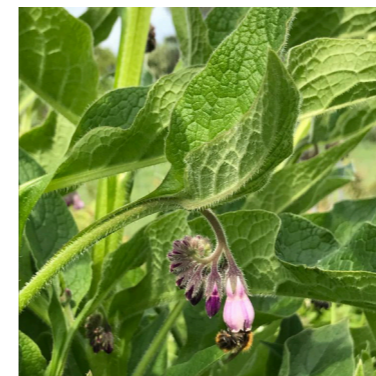
Additional warm indoor areas have been created using portacabins to enable and extend activities for our Adult Social Care placements and the Country Club members.

Log burners have been added to the main teaching/activity space and the kitchen.



Work around the rest of the farm has continued under Farmer Nick's supervision. We were relieved to have a good hay harvest as this is one of our biggest commodities and by producing a plentiful crop of our own, we are self sufficient.

The landscape of the farm attracts so much wildlife, we have been restoring and creating habitats to encourage birds, mammals and insects to make the farm their home. Great for bio-diversity and for our visitors who want to get closer to nature.



## Supporting Young People

### Breakfast Club

As we reported previously, the Animal Antiks Charity has been able to support the young people who attend the farm for Educational purposes by successfully applying for National Lottery funding to set up and run a Breakfast Club. The club was launched in the summer term of 2023.

With the Cost of Living issues many of our families are facing, more and more of the students were arriving at the farm for a full day of learning and working without having anything to eat before leaving home. There were also numerous students who were not bringing anything in for lunch either.

This meant that their focus on particular tasks was short-lived, their energy levels dropped significantly or were non-existent and their emotions broke free on a regular basis. Their behaviour was affected and often resulted in unnecessary disagreements with peers and staff.

The Breakfast Club has made a huge difference to students' behaviour, focus and energy, benefiting everyone involved.

Being able to also provide lunch or snacks later in the day for those who need them has enabled students to manage their food intake accordingly, without the worry of how to pay for it.



### Student Uniforms

The National Lottery Funding was also used to provide items of uniform for the Students. For the start of the autumn term 2023, we were able to supply a warm hoody and a set of overalls for each student and we introduced a t-shirt for the summer months.

This has enabled students to be warmer, cleaner and more comfortable while they are working around the farm, preventing damage to their own personal clothing as well as encouraging a sense of belonging.

### Animal Antiks Farm Therapy sessions for under 14's

Sessions successfully help young people gain confidence, build resilience, learn to work as part of a team and realise how their own behaviour effects the people around them.

We focus on support and encouragement to help them cope when they are at school.

We are still supporting some parents who are self-funding Farm Therapy sessions but most sessions are paid for through a young person's Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) and therefore go through Education.



## Supporting Adults

We have had another busy year supporting adults in our community and those from neighbouring counties of Bedfordshire, Hertfordshire, Northamptonshire and Oxfordshire. Our activities aim to combat social isolation, anxiety and depression for older adults.

There is so much going on these days it's not surprising we are seeing increasing numbers of people needing help.

Covid-19 left many people missing loved ones and friends who would previously have cared for them or who would be their companions. People became used to not going out as they would have done previously, which then became a habit even after pandemic. This reduced their opportunities to socialise and many older people now struggle with the resulting isolation.

The cost of living crisis has also impacted the money available to many to enjoy hobbies or outings in the same way, again resulting in more time spent at home, often worrying about their financial situations.

More cases of stress and depression are being reported weekly yet the more traditional routes to support have not increased in proportion so are now overwhelmed by demand.



### Adult Social Care Supported Placements

Our ASC sessions run on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays. We have 16 regular participants with some attending all three sessions.

Members get involved with lots of different activities during their time at the farm. These can include animal care, crafts, baking or gardening.

Many love watching seeds they have planted grow into plants and then flower and there is always a lot of excitement when they hear there are new lambs needing bottle feeding!

Members often have learning difficulties, physical disabilities or poor mental health and their visits to the farm can provide respite for their families or carers or as a more active option to a day care centre.

Some of our National Lottery Cost of Living funding has allowed us to give low income ASC members a hoodie to help keep them warm whilst they're at the farm.

Many were not bringing suitable clothing and were feeling cold and wanting to stay indoors.

As you can see, they have proved very popular with the members!



### Wellbeing Walks

Getting out into the fresh air is a well documented therapy for those experiencing mental health issues and the gentle exercise helps release endorphins which can lift moods and provide a feeling of calm and relaxation.

Using alpacas as walk companions calms the mind and often provides moments of light relief. They choose the most inopportune moments to dive into puddles for a quick dip or the nearest dusty spot for a dust bath.

Those walking often find they can talk about their concerns more openly when they are not face to face with someone and this is key to helping them find a positive way forward.

### Walks for Buckinghamshire Mind and AIM (Bicester)



Our strong relationship with Buckinghamshire Mind has seen their weekly Wellbeing Walks for adults with mental health issues continue this year. We see 16 regular walkers as well as a number of others joining in when required.

We also have 6 regular walkers from AIM, in Bicester that come to the farm and walk alongside the Mind group on Thursdays.

Thursday walks ran for 48 weeks this year.

Members of these groups say they feel much less stressed and more refreshed when they leave us.

### Walks for Healthy Minds/Talking Therapies

We worked with Healthy Minds/Talking Therapies last year and were able offer them some funded walks. This year, they decided that the walks were so beneficial, they have paid for blocks of walks throughout the year. We will still bear them in mind should further funding become available as they could then increase the number of people who visit each week.

We usually see 6 walkers each week and the walks were provided for 26 weeks of the year.

### Wellbeing Walk and Talk Sessions for the General Public

We have been able to offer personal walks or small group walks on an ad-hoc basis throughout the year. Some of these have been bought as gift vouchers others are paid for directly by the participant themselves.

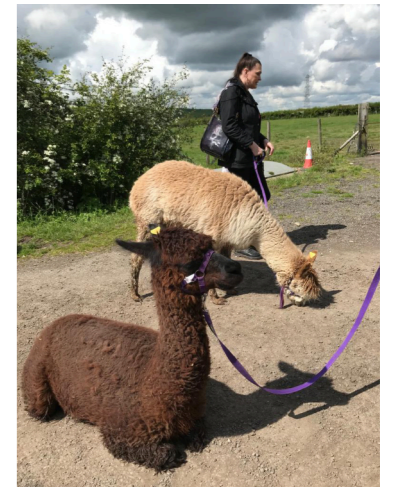
Any profit from these walks is used by the Charity.

*"So so restorative. Just what I needed to help recoup from a few months of stress and anxiety."*

*"I'll definitely be back and will be recommending these walks to all of my friends. Thank you" c.*

*"My family realised that I was really stressed out because of my exams. I wasn't leaving the house and had lost my appetite, just kept myself shut in my room working away."*

*"I was anxious about coming to the farm as I thought I would be wasting study time, but really, it was just THE BEST!" P.*



### Care Home Visits



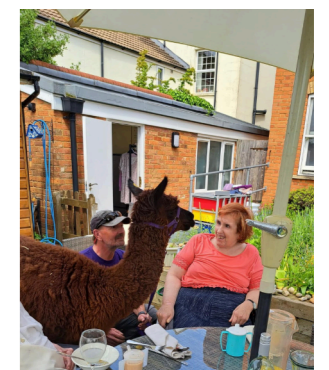
This year has been a frustrating one as far as care home visits go as for several months, we were under restrictions due to the potential TB scare.

We did manage a few visits before the restrictions were introduced.

The homes we visited were some that we had been to before, so some of the residents were able to remember our last visit.

The engagement between the residents and the alpacas is always a lovely thing to see and creates positive memories for residents, care home staff and our own staff.

Staff at the homes tell us that our visits are discussed for days and weeks afterwards.



## Animal Antiks Country Club



Our popular Country Club has run on Thursdays for 36 weeks this year. We took the decision to take a break during the coldest months, where growing and gardening tasks slow right down and for the sake of our members, who often find it hard to stay warm and well in the colder weather .

Some of those who participate in the Wellbeing Walk in the morning have been staying on for the Country Club, giving them a whole day of company and fun activities, we usually have 6 staying on with an additional 4 joining them at the start of the afternoon session.

Members who attend the Country Club can be facing one or more of the following challenges:

- Isolation because of deteriorating physical or mental health or a change in social conditions
- Neurological disorders including Dementia, Alzheimer's, Parkinson's and Stroke
- Mental Health issues including Anxiety, Depression, Bipolar, Post Traumatic Stress Disorders
- Other long-term health problems including Cancer, Chronic Pain and Heart and Lung Conditions

The activities are dependent on the season but include sowing seeds, planting bulbs and root stock as well as learning how to take cuttings and grow them on into new plants. For those able to be more physical, there is always ground to be dug over and mulched, weeding and watering.

Members also have craft sessions where they can make decorative items using things they have collected from around the farm. Simple twigs bound into star shapes and decorated with leaves and flowers or cones and wool.



## Recognition

### Good Morning Britain - 1 Million Minutes Award

Animal Antiks was approached by Good Morning Britain to advise us that we had been nominated for one of their prestigious 1 Million Minutes awards. At first we weren't sure if someone was playing a prank but it quickly became clear that this was a genuine call.



The judging panel had shortlisted Animal Antiks for the Award for Animal Loneliness Champion in recognition of the work we do to combat isolation in our community, so after a brief chat, we arranged a date for the filming to take place.

The 21 November 2023 was absolutely freezing but a bright blue sky made for great shots around the farm. The production team met several members of staff, some students and some of our ASC members and their families. Sarah and Nick were on hand for the introduction of the video too. Who knew that a whole day of filming was needed to produce a short 2 minute video?

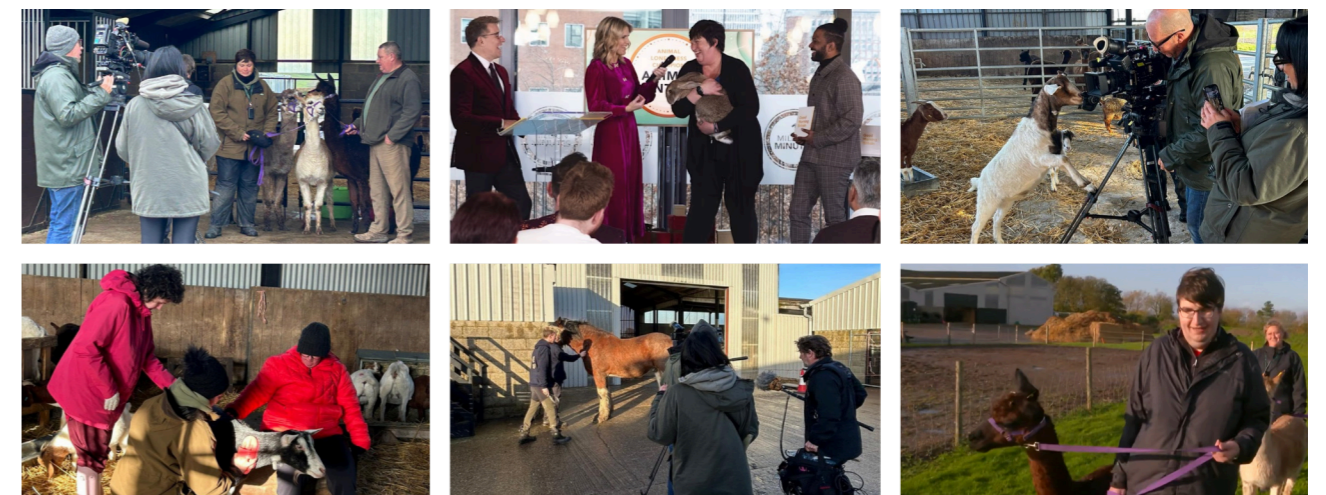
The production team told us that they were 'blown away' by what they saw on the day and were really pleased that we had been shortlisted.

Sarah and Nick had an early start to get up to the London studios where the presentation event was taking place. They took our giant rabbit Malteser as a mascot, and for good luck.

Having met the presenters and some of the celebrities who support the 1 Million Minutes project, it was time to take their seats and wait for their Award to be called. The presentation was broadcast live on that morning's GMB programme. The announcement we had been waiting for was made - we had won!

Our beautifully edited video was shown before Ben Shephard and Charlotte Hawkins interviewed Sarah, and JLS star JB Gill presented the award.

We were so delighted to win the award and to be able to showcase the work we have done at the farm to combat loneliness through animal therapy.



## Events

### Alpaca Tea Parties – Sunday 30 April

We held one of our popular Alpaca and Friends tea parties with two sittings.

Both sittings were sell-outs and everyone commented that it was a super afternoon and a really unusual but fun experience.

We raised money from ticket sales and donations on the day.



### Open Farm Sunday – Sunday 11 June

We ran our second Open Farm Sunday on what turned out to be one of the hottest days of the year!

We welcomed over 200 visitors to the farm during the day and ran over 20 activity sessions as well as several alpaca walks.

It was great to see so many happy, if rather hot, faces enjoying their time at the farm.



### Waddesdon Weekender – Sunday 9 July

We were so popular last year that we were invited back for this year's fete day!

Our friendly alpacas and llamas attracted lots of attention, especially Tina, who was doing her best unicorn impression.

Families came to chat with us and meet the animals and we were able to collect donations from visitors to the event.

This has become one of our favourite events of the year and we hope to make it an annual opportunity to meet and greet local residents and their families.



### Aston Clinton Beer Festival – Saturday 29 July

Another favourite that has become an annual event. We took some alpacas and llamas this year and enjoyed a busy day meeting residents and festival visitors.

The selection of beers available always amazes us but it's what draws in such big crowds.



### Bucks County Show – Thursday 31 August

Accompanied by Hilder, Harriet and Norman our donkeys, a selection of exotics and a handful of alpacas, we had a good day at the show.

It started off with fair weather but soon clouded over and got cooler which seemed to have deterred the visitors.

We were neighbours with our friends @yourbucksradio so received plenty of mentions throughout the day.

## Our Funders and Supporters

As always, we cannot do what we do without the support and funding we receive from trusts, charities and organisations as well as the private donations collected when we attend local events. With an increasing number of referrals being received, every penny counts and goes towards providing support and a safe space for as many young people and adults facing the challenges of poor mental health, isolation or age related illnesses as we can.

This year, we would like to thank the following for their continued support:

Enid Slater CT

Ammco CT

National Lottery Cost of Living

Buckinghamshire Mind

Healthy Minds/Talking Therapies

This year we received **£28,433** of funding split as follows:

<b>Unrestricted use</b>	<b>£5,750</b>
<b>Funds Restricted to:</b>	
Holiday Sessions	£900
Cost of Living	£9,000
Walk & Talk	£2,000
Outreach no specific area	£1,350
Outreach Northants	£2,500
Outreach Buckingham/MK	£350
Farm Therapy General	£1,283
Farm Therapy Adult	£5,000
Minibus	£300
<b>Total Restricted Funds</b>	<b>£22,683</b>

With 53 new applications for funding made in March 2024 and over 440 applications pending with Trusts, our Fundraiser is busy trying to maximise our income from grants and trusts but it is not an easy task.

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# Accounts

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Animal Antiks  
Annual Accounts  
12 months to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024

Financial Statement by the independent examiner  
For the financial period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024

Produce by:

**R.W.Willets ( ACMA, CGMA)**

**Accounting Services**

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## **Animal Antiks**

### **Accountants and Treasurers report on the 12 months accounts**

#### **to Animal Antiks**

You have approved the accounts for the twelve months ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes. In accordance with your instructions, I have compiled these accounts from the accounting records and information and explanations supplied to me.

The charity is reliant mostly on Farm Therapy from schools and adult social care sessions for its income. The Charity continues to meet all its financial obligations, despite the fact that its overall volume of activity has reduced this year. The main donation was £14K from Animal Antiks Education Ltd

R.W.Willetts ACMA, CGMA

Accounting Services

## Animal Antiks

### Profit and Loss Account

For 12 months to 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2024	This Year	Last year
	£	£
Sales	108381	271328
Donations	47602	6764
Grants	5000	133714
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>160983</b>	<b>411806</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Animal service costs	6690	84958
Rent, rates, utilities and insurance costs	37823	75947
Salaries, Ni & Pensions	51666	167420
Maintenance & Service charges	25779	27747
Staff costs	6098	800
Telephone, stationery and office costs	3144	3757
Advertising and fund-raising costs	11774	27776
Accountancy, legal and other professional fees	2840	1811
Depreciation	15389	15000
Total Expenses	<b><u>161203</u></b>	<b><u>405216</u></b>
<b>(Loss)/surplus</b>	<b><u>-220</u></b>	<b><u>6590</u></b>

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### Balance sheet

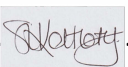
As at 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2024	This year	Last year
<b>Fixed assets</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Equipment, machinery and motor vehicles	68849	56582
Cash	7412	90702
Debtors	43396	10274
Stock	25186	25186
Creditors	( 3737)	(41418)
Net Assets	<u>141106</u>	<u>141326</u>
<b>Capital account</b>		
<b>Balance at start of period</b>	<b>141326</b>	<b>134786</b>
Net(loss)/profit	(220)	6590
Capital introduced/(taken)		
	<u>141106</u>	<u>141326</u>

**Animal Antiks**

**Approved statement**

I approve the accounts comprising the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance sheet and the related notes. I acknowledge my responsibility for the accounts, including the appropriateness of the applicable financial reporting framework as set out in note 1, and for providing R.W.Willetts Accounting Services with all the information and explanations necessary for their completion

Miss S Kettleby

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## Animal Antiks

### Notes to the Accounts

For the 12 months ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024

#### 1. Accounting basis

The accounts have been compiled on the basis that enables profits to be calculated in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice and that provides sufficient and relevant information to enable the completion of a tax return.

#### 2. Plant, machinery and motor vehicles

	Plant and machinery
	£
Cost 1st April 2023	105629
Additions   minibus	27500
Office equipment	156
At 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2024	<u>133285</u>
Depreciation 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2023	49047
Charge for the year	15389
At 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2024	<u>64436</u>
Net Book value 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2024	<u>68849</u>
Net Book value 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2023	<u>56582</u>
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In September 2022, the organisation was divided with educational services being separated from our social care and wellbeing activities which remain under the charity. This enables us to donate a percentage of any profit made from the educational business to subsidise some of our wellbeing offerings.

The increase in poor mental health in our local community manifests in numerous ways including social anxiety, loneliness and feeling isolated as well as increased numbers of hospital admissions or burdens on our social care systems.

Animal Antiks is a popular Farm Care and Animal Assisted Wellbeing provider in Buckinghamshire, and we continue to receive referrals from our own Adult Social Care team as well as those from neighbouring counties including Bedfordshire, Hertfordshire, Oxfordshire and Northamptonshire.

We see over 100 people each week for a wide programme of activities designed to improve mental wellbeing, social interaction and physical activity.

2022 has also seen Animal Antiks partner with the Countryside Stewardship Scheme to improve accessibility on all the farm tracks to allow all abilities to benefit from being outside in the fresh air and walking or working with the animals.

Animal Antiks received over 400 saplings and whips from the Woodland Trust to infill gaps and extend our natural hedgerows and enhance our already good bio-diversity. We also purchased and planted over 2000 hedging whips.

These were planted by our Country Club members, volunteers and staff and have continued to thrive since being planted.

We have continued our work with Buckinghamshire Mind and SPACE and held walks for their service users to help improve their mental health and wellbeing. Those who have participated found the walks to have positive benefits including relaxation, camaraderie and feeling revitalised.

With the help of our staff and some of our level 2 animal care learners, we have made visits to care homes as part of their enrichment programmes, taking some of our alpacas into the lounges and even some of the private rooms to meet the residents. The pride is clear to see on the faces of our learners and the enjoyment for the residents is evident too.

Animal Antiks wouldn't be where we are today without the dedicated team of trained staff and volunteers to support our members and look after our animals. There have been a few changes in the team over the year so plenty of training has been undertaken to ensure everyone is up to date with all appropriate aspects of health and safety, safeguarding, education and animal care.

All in all 2022 has been a successful year with plenty of growth and evident potential to help and support more people experiencing poor mental health, social isolation or learning difficulties improve their wellbeing, social skills and confidence.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to our success.

Sarah Kettleby  
Chair of Trustees

## Trustees



Pam Harding, one of our Trustees, has stepped down from her role for personal reasons.

We would like to thank her for her dedication and support as Trustee over the years.

Pam has been a staunch supporter of Animal Antiks since the very beginning so we are all sad to see her leave.



Donna Daniels-Moss remains as Safeguarding Trustee and her input and support for all of our Safeguarding needs is much appreciated.



In light of Pam stepping down, Nick Sear will be appointed as third Trustee.

## A Year in Focus

We are pleased to report that we have continued to widen the scope of our services and activities throughout 2022. There is an evident increase in demand for services for people experiencing social isolation, poor mental health and as an alternative to day care centres.

We have been successful in securing grants and funding to be able to offer specific sessions for displaced Ukrainian families living in Milton Keynes, thanks to the Milton Keynes Community Foundation and to introduce a breakfast club for our Education students as part of the Cost of Living funding from the National Lottery. More about these sessions later in the report.

This year has also seen us take in more animals as rescues:

- Maisie a rescued ewe found wandering alone after clearly having given birth but there was no sign of her newly born lamb(s).
- Kelsey and Katie, two Shetland ponies came to live with us when their owners couldn't look after them any more.
- Hope and JB two traveller ponies who were left for dead.
- Popeye the pony who was dumped out of a moving van, we think due to his severely injured left eye which we have obviously had treated by our vets.
- Lulu and her six piglets.
- Bonnie, Cornflake, Cloud and Mallow the four alpaca girls.
- DJ, Rocky, Mabel and Steve the rabbits.
- Gherkin the gecko.



Work around the farm has continued and the land is looking good under the watchful eye of Farmer Nick. His small team keep the hay growing, the hedges tidy and the fencing animal proof. This year's hay harvest was great quality and plentiful thankfully as it helps us be self-sufficient over winter.



Farmer Nick and his team have continued to improve the facilities around the farm, whilst retaining the rural environment. Their work has included improvements to the toilets, locker and changing areas, as well as installing 2 log burners to give some warmth in our indoor areas.

Work has continued in the animal barn improving the accessibility to the pens for our less mobile clients and creation has begun of a dedicated quieter therapy area.

## Supporting Young People

It is a worrying trend to see the number of young people experiencing anxiety, depression, loneliness and behavioural issues on such a rapid increase. The numbers were increasing prior to Covid-19 but the impact of disrupted education, changes to routines, social isolation and the overall stress living through the pandemic caused has seen this number rocket beyond any predictions.

We have seen the number of referrals to Animal Antiks increase in line with this trend but have noticed that the challenges or triggers are vastly different now to what they were historically. The impact of the constant use of social media, easy access to films portraying violence or unrealistically proportioned characters helped by CGI, make up or costumes and the general speed of life today have all played a part in the change of peer pressure and also lack of self-confidence.

In order to support more young people in and around Buckinghamshire, we have introduced some new activities and now that we have confirmed funding, can launch further initiatives in the coming months.

### Post 16 Training Education

Working in partnership with Haddon Training, we have continued to help students gain the most from further education with specialist coaching on site at the farm.

The placements are work based programs on the farm with some time dedicated to a quieter space for study. Both of which provide a less formal classroom format conducive for Post 16 pupils. Our learners come to the farm on a full time programme throughout term time to complete various units towards their qualifications.



Learners can select from City & Guilds work based Animal or Equine Care accreditation along with employability units Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3 as well as functional skills (various levels) in both English and Mathematics.

Animal Antiks is also an AQA unit award scheme centre which enables us to offer a portfolio of achievements where students can work towards certificates in a variety of units.

By working together as a team to complete various tasks around the farm, our learners gain confidence and skills to communicate effectively with their peers and our staff and to build up evidence for their qualifications. They are also allocated tasks to carry out as individuals to build skills and resilience.

### Day Placements

We continue to provide day placement opportunities for young people to provide both a goal and focal point for those struggling to stay the course of a whole schooling week, or simply give a young person an additional safe environment.

These types of placements can be included into a reduced timetable for a different style of learning to continue in a less structured and more vocational way.



Many young people have benefitted from a day placement with schools and colleges finding a 'day-release' program a positive reinforcement and integral part of their students' progress and educational development.

### Achievement Awards Presentation Event

Animal Antiks introduced an award presentation event to celebrate the successes of all our learners for the first time at the end of the 21-22 academic year. We decided to combine this year's event with our Christmas Disco and make a really good night of it all.

The Roman Park Hall in Aylesbury was selected as a great accessible venue and we invited learners' families and carers to join us and through sponsorship, we were able to provide food, music and a compere for the event. The venue ran their own bar for us.



To mark each learner's time with us, we created a folder with their own work, some of our favourite photographs and their certificates that they can take away with them as a memory of their time at Animal Antiks.

125 people attended, including Greg Smith MP, and local councillors who presented the awards at the inaugural event which was a huge success.

### Change in Structure

As mentioned in our Chairman's Summary, the new academic year for 22-23 saw Animal Antiks split the Farm Therapy and the Educational aspects of the organisation into two separate entities.

As our education offering is paid for by the relevant local authorities but farm therapy is funded by grants and partnerships, this split ensures that there is a clear divide as to where any funding is spent. However, this does not prevent us using grant or sponsorship funds to provide extra services for our learners in addition to their education and training.

### Breakfast Club for our young people – Cost of Living Support

We have secured funding of £9,999 from the National Lottery's Cost of Living scheme to enable us to set up and maintain a Breakfast Club for our younger members, including our learners and is separate to any educational cost.

This is vitally important as our staff had found that many of our young people were arriving without having eaten breakfast or not having a sufficiently nourishing meal to sustain them throughout their day with us at the farm. A significant number also arrived without any lunch. The reasons for this varied but not enough money for food within the family/home setting was a common issue. This was leading to our young people not being able to concentrate on the task they were doing, not focussing on their educational learning or not having the energy to perform the manual jobs they had been assigned.

Funding for the breakfast club will enable us to provide fresh fruit, toast, cereals and eggs as well as fruit juice, squash, milk, tea or coffee to drink.

Our young people will be encouraged to understand the benefits of making healthy choices and the importance of fuelling themselves with food that will sustain them throughout the day rather than giving them a 'quick fix'. By getting involved in making their breakfasts, they will learn valuable life skills including safe food preparation and simple cooking skills. They will also be encouraged to try new foods to provide them with a wider variety of ingredients as they become independent.

Animal Antiks staff also noticed that many of the learners were arriving without suitable clothing for the wet and wintery weather. Some of our funding will be used to provide a range of warm jumpers and overalls to keep our young people warm and dry when they are working outside.

### **Animal Antiks Farm Therapy sessions for under 14's**

This has proved very popular and has successfully helped so many young people gain confidence, build resilience, learn to work as part of a team and realise how their own behaviour effects the people around them.

The interaction with our smaller animals provides a sense of calm and reassurance whilst increasing self-assurance and independence. We focus on support and encouragement to help them cope when they are at school.

These sessions are funded by schools or parents but are subsidised through Animal Antiks donations. Each session lasts for two hours. Our young members usually attend once a week but can attend more if places are available.



## **Supporting Adults**

Animal Antiks continues to provide activities to combat social isolation, anxiety and depressions for older adults in Buckinghamshire and the surrounding areas.

As with young people, Covid-19 has impacted on the wellbeing of many older adults who have either lost their loved ones to the virus or due to the need to isolate during the pandemic, they have become even more cut off from social activities and now do not have the confidence to go out and about like they used to.

With the Cost of Living crisis many adults have found the pressure to make ends meet and provide a home, food and warmth for their families an increasing struggle. Worry about long-term employment in a world where so many businesses are having to downsize or close is also creating more stress and therefore more mental health issues.

### **Adult Social Care Supported Placements**

These placements enable people with learning difficulties, physical disabilities or poor mental health to come to the farm often as respite for their families or carers or as a more active option to a day care centre.

Our ASC members get involved in many different activities including animal care, gardening, crafts and baking.

Many love nothing more than sitting with their favourite rabbit, goat or sheep, helping to groom the ponies or taking some of our animals for a walk around the farm.



### **Wellbeing Walks for Buckinghamshire Mind and SPACE Aylesbury**

We have worked with Buckinghamshire Mind and SPACE Aylesbury to provide Wellbeing Walks for adults affected with mental health issues. These walks are specifically for each organisation's service users and allows them to come to the farm and take time out for themselves to recoup whilst getting fresh air and some gentle exercise.

Using our alpacas as walk companions calms and often provides moments of light relief – alpacas choose the most inopportune moments to dive into puddles for a quick dip or will take you to the nearest dusty spot for a dust bath.

Those walking often find they can talk about their concerns more openly when they are not face to face with someone and this is key to helping them find a positive way forward.

### Wellbeing Walk and Talk Sessions for the General Public

As well as the Buckinghamshire Mind and SPACE Aylesbury specific walks, we have run walks for members of the public to come along and benefit from the calming influence and companionship of the alpacas whilst taking in the fresh air and stunning scenery of the farm. These walks are always popular, and we have received some fantastic feedback from people who have walked with us.

Each walk supports a different group of over 15 regular adults with a bank of others making the walks generally up to 20 people.

*"I really enjoyed my alpaca walks with Animal Antiks. It's lovely to get out in the countryside to spend time with both the alpacas and making new friends."*

*"My anxiety and PTSD normally render me flat bound, needing carers to help me with daily tasks."*



### Care Home Visits

The benefits of visiting care homes are evident by the number of residents wanting to engage with our animals, the number of questions we are asked and the change in energy once the residents see the animals.

Stroking animals is a proven way to reduce stress and heart rates and encourages engagement for those who have become reclusive in their day-to-day behaviours due to illnesses such as dementia or mental health problems. Residents within the homes love to stroke the animals and meet the different personalities.

We usually meet residents in communal areas but where they need to stay in bed, we can take some of our alpacas into individual's rooms to say hello. The delight is clear to see and we know that care home staff use the visits to theme activities for the residents.

*"What can I say?! The visit from Tina, Sumo and Limahl on Thursday was amazing!"*

*"So many special, magical moments with our residents that we can't thank you enough in particular, Paul, Rachel and Harry for their time, knowledge and patience in answering all our questions."*

*"Please can you pass on our thanks."*

Nicky Vin d'Arc, Engagement Lead - St Leonards Care Home, Aylesbury



When we visit care homes, two members of staff are usually accompanied by at least one of our Level 2 Animal Care students. This gives them an opportunity to show what they have learnt about the alpacas and how to care for them plus encourages the students to engage with the residents and staff at the home, boosting their confidence.

### Animal Antiks Country Club

Animal Antiks introduced our Country Club to support older people from the local community. Some of our members have physical and/or mental disabilities. This year we have seen a continued increase in member numbers.

Taking that first step towards adding variety to life and experiencing something new encourages a positive impact on both physical health and mental wellbeing. The Country Club offers an alternative to a day care centre for those who prefer to be outside or as a respite for family carers.



The farm and facilities provide an ideal setting to meet the challenges being faced by people in a more mature age group who may be experiencing one or more of the following:

- Isolation because of deteriorating physical or mental health or a change in social conditions
- Neurological disorders including Dementia, Alzheimer's, Parkinson's and Stroke
- Mental Health issues including Anxiety, Depression, Bipolar, Post Traumatic Stress Disorders
- Other long-term health problems including Cancer, Chronic Pain and Heart and Lung Conditions

We now have 10 members who come each week to take part in activities.

The activities depend upon which season we're in but include making bird boxes and planters, planting seeds and bulbs and growing salads and vegetables in the garden.

Those who are more active can also join in with walking an alpaca or helping with conservation and habitat renewal.

The friendships that have grown amongst our members have really had positive impacts on them.



## Partnerships

### Haddon Training

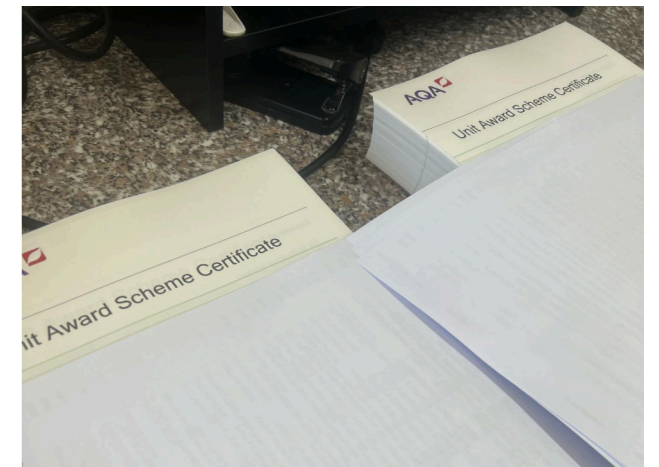
Animal Antiks has been working with Haddon Training to deliver City and Guilds Qualifications for our learners for 5 years. With their representative, Frankie Roberts, working from the farm on a regular basis to check progress and support the learners where needed. Regular updates from Animal Antiks staff on the tasks undertaken and progress made helps keep learners records up to date.

It just goes to show that with the right environment, support and engagement, young people can find a way to gain qualifications. By offering an alternative provision for education that works well for those with anxiety, mental health problems, behavioural difficulties or SEN, Animal Antiks has helped its learners achieve great things.

Our results for our class of 22-23 speak for themselves:

- 7 x Level 1 Animal Care Certificates
- 9 x Level 1 Animal Care Diplomas
- 1 x Level 1 Horse Care Certificate
- 1 x Level 1 Horse Care Diploma
- 4 x Level 2 Animal Care Certificates
- 24 Functional Skills qualifications sat.

We had an amazing 425 AQA Unit Award Certificates to hand out!



## Employees

We have seen some of our staff develop and move on to new challenges throughout the year which has called for us to recruit new members to the team at Animal Antiks. We are, as always, very appreciative of the ongoing support and flexibility of our amazing group of staff.

From staying late on baby watch or overnight to help with new born feeds, or supporting our service users to achieve a new skill or talk through their concerns, to some of the less glamorous tasks including remedying issues with our drains or toilets there is always someone who will step up and do whatever needs doing.

We will always look to improve the skills and knowledge of our staff as part of ongoing professional development and have held training sessions for safeguarding of both children and adults, mental health first aid, use of new administration systems, safe use of social media, new research into sight or hearing impairment, autism related problems and dementia.

We also offer mental health and wellbeing support for all staff members through individual discussion, whole team discussions or with an external provider, whichever is appropriate. The management team at Animal Antiks promotes a strong belief in prevention rather than cure and actively encourages staff members to approach their manager to raise any concerns as soon as possible.

The team come together outside of work for quizzes, social gatherings, BBQs and meals out which helps build a strong foundation of support and friendship.



## Volunteers

Animal Antiks has several volunteers who give up their time to support us either by coming to the farm to assist with activities, by helping to run events or by using their fantastic creative skills to make items to be sold at craft fairs and seasonal markets with profits being donated to the charity.

One of our volunteers drives the community minibus for us which picks up some of our Adult Social Care placements who otherwise wouldn't be able to attend their sessions.

As with any organisation of this type, we welcome any application to become a volunteer as more hands means more activities and support for Animal Antiks.

Dependent upon existing experience and skills, basic training can be provided to ensure that volunteers can work with our service users by assisting our regular staff.

During the year 2022-23 our amazing volunteers racked up 1275 hours between them. Their help and support is invaluable and they are all very much appreciated.



# Events

## Open Farm Sunday – Sunday 12 June

Open Farm Sunday, managed by LEAF (Linking Environment and Farming) is a fantastic opportunity for everyone, young and old, to discover at first hand what it means to be a farmer.

It showcases the fabulous work they do producing our food, enhancing the countryside and all the goods and services farmers provide.

Each event is unique and based around the farm's individual story.

Activities during the day included a farm walk, nature trail, tractor and trailer rides, demonstrations, pond dipping, activities for children, a mini farmers market or farm shop.

For Animal Antiks, the day was marked with a free event for our service users and anyone else who wanted to find out more about what we do.



Activities included alpaca walks, welly-wanging, tractor rides and wheelbarrow racing.

Of course, there was the ever popular cuddle corner, a chance to get up close to some of our smaller animals including rabbits, guinea pigs and chickens.

## Dinton Hermit Quiz Night – Tuesday 14 June

This local pub kindly hosted a quiz night to raise funds for Animal Antiks. Teams of six pitted their general knowledge skills with some wickedly tricky questions but a good night was had by all.

## Waddesdon Weekender – Sunday 26 June

We were invited to attend the second day of this year's event.

With two llamas, four ponies and an assortment of exotic pets, we made our way to Waddesdon Cricket Club for an afternoon of meeting and greeting.

The animals caught the attention of children and adults alike and proved very popular.



Many of the people we saw didn't realise the full scope of Animal Antiks so it was a great opportunity to raise awareness of what we do at Animal Antiks and explain how we fund these activities and services.

These events also allow us to collect donations which really do help boost our funds and help us provide additional items for our learners and members alike.

## Aston Clinton Beer Festival – Saturday 30 July

We took two llamas and some of our alpacas as well as a selection of small exotic animals over to Aston Clinton's annual beer festival.

This is a very popular community event (could be the beer) and is a great opportunity for people to find out more about what we do as well as for us to raise some much needed funds.

## Bucks County Show – Thursday 1 September

We took part in our first Bucks County Show. We decided to trust our newest llama boys along with Fergus, Oscar and Coops our alpacas to be the main attraction and they strutted their stuff perfectly, drawing in the crowds.

We also took a couple of ponies and Uncle Norm our vocal statesman of the yard.

Our stand was right next to our friends at @yourbucksradio who did a grand job of mentioning Animal Antiks via their on site station throughout the day.

## Inspirations Fair – Monday 10 October

Sarah (Animal Antiks) and Frankie (Haddon Training) attended this year's Inspiration Fair in Oxford.

It was a fantastic opportunity to chat to Oxford SEN Schools, Children and Teachers about the support and options Animal Antiks provides for post 16 training, day placements and animal/equine care qualifications.



This type of event helps us promote our services directly to the teams who are responsible for referring young people to us and inform parents and carers about the benefits of animal assisted learning.

**Aylesbury Cheerleading Academy Christmas Fair – Saturday 19 November**

Following a lot of hard work from our students and supporters, led by Karen Place with woodwork ably provided by Paul, we attended the ACA Christmas Fair. Two of our fantastic members of staff manned the stall and sold the beautiful and useful items made by students, Country Club members and our supporters. All proceeds came back to Animal Antiks.



**Springhill Christmas Fair – Saturday 3 December**

This local outdoor Christmas fair was an ideal opportunity to take more of our fabulous items, made by students, staff and supporters alike out to the public. They provided great ideas for Christmas presents and stocking fillers.

A bonus (apart from the chilly weather) with it being outdoors, we were able to take a couple of our friendly llamas too.

A lovely event with plenty of people to chat to. Again, any proceeds came back to Animal Antiks.



**Our Funders and Supporters**

As always, we cannot do what we do without the support and funding we receive from trusts, charities and organisations as well as the private donations collected when we attend local events. With the increase of referrals following the pandemic, every penny counts and goes towards providing support and a safe space for as many young people and adults facing the challenges of poor mental health, isolation or age related illnesses as we can.

This year, we would like to thank the following for their continued support:

- Heart of Bucks
- National Lottery Reaching Communities
- The Clare Foundation
- Buckinghamshire Council
- The Dinton Hermit
- Woodland Trust
- Countryside Stewardship
- Bucks Mind
- Milton Keynes Community Foundation

This year we received **£130,614** of funding split as follows:

<b>Unrestricted use</b>	<b>£55,550</b>
<b>Funds Restricted to:</b>	
Farm Therapy	£17,500
Country Club Gardening Equipment	£5,000
Country Club General	£4,000
Ukraine Family Sessions	£6,000
Walk & Talks	£2,000
Sponsoring of Katie and Kelsey the Shetlands	£500
10 Stable Mats & A Pair of Horse Clippers	£800
Holiday Sessions	£9425
Farm Therapy for Aylesbury Residents	£1500
Minibus	£250
Cost of Living	£16,999
Walk & Talk and Cuddle Club	£4840
City & Guilds Qualifications	£6250
<b>Total Restricted Funds</b>	<b>£75,064</b>

With 65 new applications for funding made in March 2023 and 389 applications pending with Trusts, our Fundraiser is busy trying to maximise our income from grants and trusts but it is not an easy task.



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**Animal Antiks**

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## Animal Antiks

### Profit and Loss Account

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	£	£
Sales	271328	454230
Donations	6764	13551
Grants	133714	111830
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>411806</b>	<b>579611</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Animal service costs	84958	165317
Rent, rates, utilities and insurance costs	75947	82965
Salaries, Ni & Pensions	167420	199295
Maintenance & Service charges	27747	58650
Staff costs	800	8584
Telephone, stationery and office costs	3757	4637
Advertising and fund-raising costs	27776	19557
Accountancy, legal and other professional fees	1811	1653
Depreciation	15000	18000
Total Expenses	<u>405216</u>	<u>558658</u>
<b>(Loss)/surplus</b>	<u><b>6590</b></u>	<u><b>20953</b></u>

## Animal Antiks

### Balance sheet

As at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

This year

Last year

#### Fixed assets

£

£

Equipment, machinery and motor vehicles

56582

57118

Cash

90702

80624

Debtors

10274

7376

Stock

25186

0

Creditors

( 41418)

(10832)

Net Assets

141326

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#### Capital account

Balance at start of period

134786

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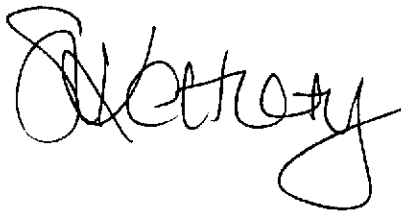
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**Approved statement**

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S Kettleby', written in a cursive style.

Miss S Kettleby

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## Animal Antiks

### Notes to the Accounts

For the 12 months ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

#### 1. Accounting basis

The accounts have been compiled on the basis that enables profits to be calculated in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice and that provides sufficient and relevant information to enable the completion of a tax return.

#### 2. Plant, machinery and motor vehicles

	Plant and machinery
	£
Cost 1st April 2022	91165
Additions	14464
At 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2023	<u>105629</u>
Depreciation 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2022	34047
Charge for the year	15000
At 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2023	<u>49047</u>
Net Book value 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2023	<u>56582</u>
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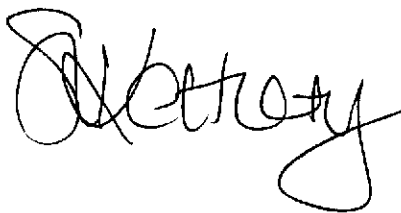
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## Animal Antiks

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**ANIMAL ANTIKS**

England & Wales - Charity number 1172099

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# Accounts

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**Trustees' Annual Report for the period**

**From 01/04/2021 Period start date To 01/04/2022 Period end date**

**Charity name: Animal Antiks**

**Charity registration number: 1172099**

**Objectives and Activities**

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p><b>To promote social inclusion for the public benefit by preventing people from becoming excluded, relieving the needs of those people who are socially excluded (In particular but not limited to those with physical, mental, social or emotional disabilities or disadvantages) by providing animal-assisted therapeutic and educational activities in order to assist them to integrate into society.</b></p> <p><b>To promote humane behaviour towards animals by providing appropriate care, protection, treatment and security for animals which are in need of care and attention by reason of sickness, maltreatment, poor circumstances or ill-usage and to educate the public in matters pertaining to animal welfare in general and the prevention of cruelty and suffering among animals.</b></p>
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p><b>Animal Antiks is based on a farm in rural Buckinghamshire, approximately half way between Aylesbury and Milton Keynes. We support children (from the age of 10yrs) and adults who are facing various challenges in their lives. Bringing them together in a safe and unique environment, we support them with farm therapy, social and functional skills while providing a safe shelter for many rescue animals.</b></p> <p><b>Promoting good practice in animal welfare, we're set on a working farm and provide a stimulating, sometimes challenging environment for people struggling with social exclusion and emotional disadvantages.</b></p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<p><b>All trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.</b></p>

**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	n/a
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	n/a
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	<p><b>Post Covid, we have seen a slight reduction in volunteer numbers. We have around 7 dedicated, regular people who help in numerous ways.</b></p> <p><b>With just under 850 hours worked, they're involved in:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Supporting our wellbeing alpaca walks</b></li><li>• <b>Working in the kitchen garden, helping to grow produce the students are able to cook and eat</b></li><li>• <b>Building enrichment activities in our workshop</b></li><li>• <b>Supporting members in caring for the animals</b></li><li>• <b>Assisting members with lifeskills (eg, cookery)</b></li></ul> <p><b>Due to the needs of our members, it's important that all volunteers undergo a rigorous interview process, along with reference checks and a successful DBS application. Our aim is to support the volunteers as much as possible to ensure they build a long-standing relationship with Animal Antiks. Their contribution is invaluable and we're eternally grateful for their time and effort in a raw, sometimes challenging, environment.</b></p>
Other		

## Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
<p>Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.</p>	<p>Para 1.20</p>	<p><b>Our charity looks and feels very different post Covid. We have seen a huge increase in requests for us to take in rescue animals, with ponies, rabbits, goats, chickens and alpacas rescued in the last year. We have seen an increase in people being referred to us for farm therapy – children may have been out of school for nearly two years, and the levels of anxiety and social isolation are higher than ever. We have seen a surge in referrals for young children (aged 10 and over) and have successfully forged relationships with local authorities and many schools.</b></p> <p><b>We have seen a massive growth in need, so 2021 has had to be about ensuring the foundations and facilities of the charity are strong enough to support these people and animals. We've rented a portacabin to use as an office and secondary classroom, we've hired more portable toilets while a drainage issue has stalled the installation of a permanent toilet block.</b></p> <p><b>We've employed additional staff and have welcomed a part time Administrator along with several part time Activity Support Assistants, who work directly with the members. A 57% increase in income is largely from educational and farm therapy placements for young people, while the refurbishment of the barns, and additional equipment and feed have increased costs.</b></p> <p><b>At a time of such huge growth we were informed that, due to restructuring, our post-16 training provider will not be continuing with an agreement that no further placements should be accepted. This is due to their focus shifting from commercial learners, to more apprenticeship-based placements. This is a huge blow to the Charity and, potentially, could leave us with the associated costs of supporting students who could no longer continue their studies. Therefore, after a Trustees meeting in early March 2022 we are investigating other training avenues but it has become apparent that the impact of this change could leave the charity vulnerable.</b></p> <p><b>Alongside this changing landscape, our farm therapy work has continued: Farm Therapy sessions have been offered 5 days per week all year – with children and young people attending during term time and many adult social care members continuing during the holidays. With around 150 people attending sessions each week during term time.</b></p>

**Wellbeing Walks have become a staple part of our offering, with grants making it possible for us to run a minimum of two to three walks per week, attracting an additional 24-36 people to the farm each week to enjoy a social, relaxed walk as part of a group. These 6-8 week blocks of walks have ensured a fresh stream of visitors to the farm and have been beneficial to the vulnerable and isolated members of the community post-Covid.**

**We work with various mental health charities in the area to offer their clients the opportunity to join in, with us using the community bus to collect and drop off the people. This is a lifeline to many who may not leave their home for the rest of the week.**

**Feedback from the walks Includes:**

**"Thursdays are the highlight of my week. Fresh air, good company, worries drift away"**

**"Before starting the walks back in November I was suffering with panic attacks, depression and anxiety... the time with the alpacas has honestly improved my outlook and moods beyond belief"**

**"I absolutely love everything about the walks and it's really helped to meet people and help with my anxiety. My son has also been attending and he has hardly been out since Covid lockdown"**

**Our Country Club (formerly the Countrymen Club) is growing slowly. Wanting to increase numbers, we expanded the remit and partnered with the community bus again, to bring people to the farm. In 2021 around 9 people on average attended each week. They got involved in the gardening and maintenance of the site, including growing plants from seed, composting, harvesting and weeding! They've helped to build enrichment activities for some of the animals and have also taken part in crafting using the wool from our own sheep.**

**One of our main objectives at Animal Antiks is to support people to be the best version of themselves and 2021/22 saw one of our past students become an apprentice with us.**

**T initially came to the farm with a huge amount of social anxiety and anger. They are now a key member of the staff here, with a fantastic work ethic and are a pleasure to work with.**

**A significantly anxious student who was unable to attend school has successfully achieved their Level 2 Animal Care and are**

currently attending college with their aim being focused on attending university in September.

From our initial alpaca walks we have successfully supported the transition of a service user to a volunteer role, and they are now paid staff.

All students who attend here have an EHCP plan, and a range of diagnoses, many are on a reduced timetable or have been excluded from school, or out of mainstream school for many years. Many face severe social and emotional challenges, with some unable to speak. Working on the farm, caring for the animals and being either on a one to one basis or in a small group, allows them the opportunity to achieve, building confidence alongside key life and functional skills.

In August 2021 the Nimar Charitable Trust granted us £30,000. Coming at this time, it was decided the money would be used for infrastructure improvements and equipment – including gates and fencing to enable access into pens for our less mobile clients, gardening equipment to extend our offer and the hire of the portacabin, improvements to the electricals and plumbing to extend our indoor working areas. It also allowed us to take in some rescue goats, and Katie and Kelsey, two rescue ponies who had previously supported young people with disabilities.

Funds from three local charities (Heart of Bucks Community Fund, the William Harding Trust and the Mobbs Memorial Trust) allowed us to purchase laptops for the office staff and an office printer, alongside a small number of iPads and laptops for the students, so they are now able to more easily access online maths and English work via an educational portal, while improving their IT skills.

To aid our income we continue to offer 'encounter' vouchers. They make ideal gifts and are booked during school holidays and weekends. Not only have they been an effective way to increase our income (we've raised just under £1000 this year) but also offer the siblings of young people attending Animal Antiks the opportunity to experience the farm. They've also helped those young people not able to commit to a regular placement.

Alongside our regular learners, adult social care, farm therapy members, the alpaca walkers and country club, we also welcomed families during the school holidays, running holiday sessions for a range of local charities supporting vulnerable families including Young Carers and Autism Bucks,

		<p>giving over 150 people an opportunity to leave their responsibilities behind and enjoy being outside, engaging with enrichment activities with the animals and taking part in some of our farm sports such as welly wanging, wheelbarrow racing and the goat assault course!</p> <p>Very little of the above would be possible without the generous support of our benefactors. During 2021/22, we successfully attracted 38 grants and, through our Open Day and generous donations, another £13,500 was raised.</p>
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### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	The post Covid landscape and the potential loss of our education provider has forced us to re-evaluate our objectives. 2021/22 has seen growth in income and the mirroring increase in costs. Ensuring the groundwork is done to allow this growth to continue, facilities have been improved and more plans are being formed to expand the inside space, allowing for more craft activities and classrooms. We are currently investigating other options to continue offering educational placements.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	This is the first full year of having our own fundraising officer. They continue to attract grants, including some significant amounts, and have a good understanding of the work of Animal Antiks.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	n/a
Other		n/a

### Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity has seen growth of approximately 50% and while costs have outpaced the rise in income, this is due to significant improvements to the facilities, increased salary costs and a surge in animals needing to be rescued post Covid. Improvements to the facilities will be ongoing, but managed via fundraising. Housing for animals is now almost at capacity, so numbers are unlikely to notably increase.
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Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<b>Our policy is to minimise the amount of money kept aside, so to maximise the benefits we are able to offer to members. We are working towards building a reserve of three months operating costs, to protect us from late payments and/or a drop in income.</b>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<b>£56,000</b>
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	n/a
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	n/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	<b>There are urgent ongoing investigations regarding the ability to continue offering our specialist work-based educational placements. Alongside an understanding of the new post-16 qualifications (T Levels) and our ability to deliver these, alongside the staff qualifications and professional development required to deliver them.</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	<b>Sales (farm therapy, encounters etc) 78% Grants 19.7% Donations 2.3%</b>
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	n/a
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	<b>As noted above, as our current educational partnership is due to end, and if no other option can be found, we may have to limit the liability of having a large educational staff on the charity payroll.</b>
Other		n/a

### Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		n/a
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	<b>Memorandum &amp; Articles of Association</b>
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	<b>Limited company</b>
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	<b>Elected to post by the board of trustees</b>

**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	<b>All trustees undergo relevant training regarding responsibilities and safer practises.</b>
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

**Reference and Administrative details**

Charity name	Animal Antiks
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1172099
Charity's principal address	Manor Farm St John's Lane North Marston Buckinghamshire MK18 3PU

**Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Sarah Kettley	Founder		Board of Trustees
2	Pamela Harding			Board of Trustees
3	Donna Ray Daniels-Moss			Board of Trustees
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**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

Director name		
n/a		

**Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity**

Trustee name	Dates acted If not for whole year	

**Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others**

Description of the assets held in this capacity	n/a
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	n/a
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	n/a

**Additional information (optional)**

**Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)**

Type of adviser	Name	Address

**Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)**

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**Exemptions from disclosure**

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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**Other optional information**

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**Declarations**

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Sarah Kettleby	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Founder	

Date 

22/12/2022
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Animal Antiks  
Annual Accounts  
12 months to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022

Financial Statement by the independent examiner  
For the financial period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022

Produce by:

**R.W.Willetts ( ACMA, CGMA)**

**Accounting Services**

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## **Animal Antiks**

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## Animal Antiks

### Profit and Loss Account

For 12 months to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022

	This Year	Last year
	£	£
Sales	454230	288927
Donations	13551	12249
Grants	111830	86129
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>579611</b>	<b>387305</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Animal service costs	165317	69713
Rent, rates, utilities and insurance costs	82965	70462
Salaries, Ni & Pensions	199295	99540
Maintenance & Service charges	58650	36000
Staff costs	8584	2551
Telephone, stationery and office costs	4637	2732
Advertising and fund-raising costs	19557	15754
Accountancy, legal and other professional fees	1653	1271
Depreciation	18000	9000
Total Expenses	<u>558658</u>	<u>307023</u>
<b>(Loss)/profit</b>	<u><b>20953</b></u>	<b>80282</b>

## **Animal Antiks**

### **Balance sheet**

<b>As at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022</b>	<b>This year</b>	<b>Last year</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Fixed assets</b>		
Equipment, machinery and motor vehicles	57118	40766
Cash	80624	48096
Debtors	7376	31237
Creditors	( 10382)	(6316)
Net Assets	<u>134736</u>	<u>113783</u>
<b>Capital account</b>		
<b>Balance at start of period</b>	<b>113783</b>	<b>33501</b>
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England & Wales - Charity number 1172099

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# Accounts

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# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date		Period end date	
From	01 April 2020	To	31 March 2021

## Section A Reference and administration details

**Charity name** Animal Antiks

**Other names charity is known by** N/A

**Registered charity number (if any)** 1172099

**Charity's principal address**

Manor Farm, St John's Lane	
North Marston, Buckingham	
Buckinghamshire	
<b>Postcode</b>	MK18 3PU

### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
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### Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Sarah Kettleby

## Section B Structure, governance and management

### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document <i>(eg. trust deed, constitution)</i>	Memorandum and Articles
How the charity is constituted <i>(eg. trust, association, company)</i>	Charitable Company
Trustee selection methods <i>(eg. appointed by, elected by)</i>	Appointed by Board of Trustees

### Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

## Section C Objectives and activities

### Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

- 1) To promote social inclusion for the public benefit by preventing people from becoming excluded, relieving the needs of those people who are socially excluded (in particular but not limited to those with physical, mental, social or emotional disabilities or disadvantages) by providing equine-assisted therapeutic and educational activities that may also involve other animals in order to assist them to integrate into society.
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which are in need of care and attention by reason of sickness, maltreatment, poor circumstances or ill-usage and to educate the public in matters pertaining to animal welfare in general and the prevention of cruelty and suffering among animals.

In 1) above, "emotional disabilities" will encompass those beneficiaries who struggle with low self-esteem or self-confidence, or have difficulty with communication and relationships or in regulating emotions (such as anger, anxiety and sadness) or lack emotional stability and resilience.

Further definitions of 'disadvantages' and 'socially excluded' can be found in the articles of association document.

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

Animal Antiks operates on a working farm, Manor Farm, based in the village of North Marston, Buckinghamshire located between the towns of Aylesbury and Buckingham.

On a daily basis (Monday to Friday) the farm supports children and adults facing various challenges in their lives bringing them together in a safe and unique non-segregated environment, promoting and enhancing key life, social and functional skills through activities involving the care and welfare of animals as well as other activities around the farm.

The Animal Antiks approach is both innovative and unconventional. Teamwork is built by creating teams that mix young people and adults with a variety of needs and disabilities. Animal Antiks has a number of years' experience providing practical, personal and emotional support to a growing number of members with a range of disabilities (physical, sensory and learning) or behavioural, mental or emotional issues.

This support is provided on a working farm environment, at Manor Farm in North Marston, offering work based agricultural, equine and animal care opportunities for members. Over time members have shown an increased in confidence, displayed fewer anxieties and been more comfortable interacting in normal social situations.

All trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

#### **Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

You may choose to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Despite the lockdown we have continued to have number of regular volunteers who continue to make an amazing contribution to our cause. In total 11 regular volunteers have contributed nearly 1500 hours. The contribution they have made includes:

- supporting members during sessions;
- building and repairing items and making animal enrichment activities;
- helping set up our horticulture projects;
- accompanying our Mental health wellbeing walks
- making and providing refreshments.

In February 2021 we started a radio advertising campaign which has started to attract new volunteers who are due to start after Easter 2021.

**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**

Like everyone, this year has been shaped by the pandemic. Animal Antiks managed to remain open throughout the lockdowns, supporting vulnerable children and adults but in the first lockdown we had to furlough the majority of the staff. To keep everyone safe we limited the number of new children who could start and cancelled visits for new placements. Fortunately, we were in a position to welcome all staff back in July 2021 and, due to increase demand for our services, have taken on additional staff for the second half of the year. At the start of 2021 we were supporting up to 70 members attending each week, and despite the pandemic we have seen over 100 members attending our regular sessions during this last year. Some attend for just a couple of hours a week, whilst others attend for five days a week.

Our Countrymen club was due to open in April 2020 and we had to delay the start of that club, and again having rescheduled it to start in October 2020. However, we were fortunate enough to get the grant providers to roll over the funding to the next financial year so that we are on track to start the club in May 2021. This will support men over 50 who enjoy the outdoors like but are suffering social isolation or various health issues.

A group which was successfully started in 2020 was our Walk & Talks. Initially we teamed up with the mental health charity Bucks Mind in Aylesbury and, with the help of another charity operating the Bernwode Bus, transported a number of people being supported by Bucks Mind up to the farm. Once at the farm they were teamed up with a group of our alpacas and headed out across the tracks and fields of the farm to enjoy a walk in the fresh air. On average 9 or 10 people attended each week and as they increased their stamina we were able to walk further and they started to grow in confidence and started to chat and socialise as a group. Just before we entered Tier 4 when the walks had to stop, we managed to walk to the highest point of the farm and enjoy the far reaching views on a lovely clear November day. These walks were funded by the National Lottery Community Fund and thanks to their generosity we were able to offer 'March Mental Well Being Walks' as the lockdown started to ease. We continued to team up with Bernwode Bus as there was still anxieties about public transport but we successfully walked 3 times a week for around 90 walkers.

During the school holidays we offered 'Family Farm Tours' thanks for funding received from a variety of sources. We worked with a number of different support charities (such as Child Bereavement UK, Young Carers, Florries children hospice etc) to provide a small number of their families an opportunity to visit the farm, interact with the animals and have fun on the farm for a couple of hours. Each family was given a specific start time and allocated a team member to show them round. Additional safety measures were put in the place to keep everyone safe and all families reported having an enjoyable time. Having secured funding to weatherproof our main animal barn from the Coronavirus Stabilisation Fund we were able to schedule more of these sessions during the winter months as well. Unfortunately, the tier 4 lockdown delayed these but they were eventually rescheduled for Easter 2021

For obvious reasons we have been unable to run our usual fundraising events but in December 2020 we did introduced Encounter Experience vouchers for alpaca walks, animal encounters and mini farmer experiences. These proved popular on the run up to Christmas and as the financial year was coming to a close we were able to start welcoming people to the farm to have their animal encounter experiences.

## Section D

## Achievements and performance

Since moving to our new farm in September 2017 whenever funding has been available we have continued to improve the facilities and services we offer our members. However, over the next 12 months our big plans are to improve our accommodation and facilities by creating new classroom spaces, a new office/shop area but more importantly, new toilet facilities so we can finally move away from our existing portaloo facilities. This will obviously be a big undertaking for the charity but one we think is necessary to continue to improve what we offer. As well as finally starting the Countrymen Club we also hope to expand the number of Walk & Talks we can offer and are starting to look at introducing group farm school sessions in September 2021.

## Section E

## Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Animal Antiks policy on reserves is to minimise the amount of money kept aside to maximise benefits for members.

A reserve is required to be set aside to protect Animal Antiks against a drop in income or late payments from members or referrers. The policy is to build up reserves and hold funds equivalent to three months of operating costs.

We currently have a some reserved funds which have been awarded to us and are set aside for use on our accommodation improvements and with the Countrymen club.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

N / A

### Further financial review details (Optional information)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

## Section F

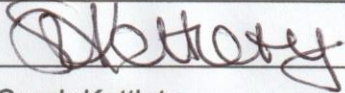
## Other optional information

## Section G

## Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Sarah Kettleby	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CEO	
Date	29/7/21	

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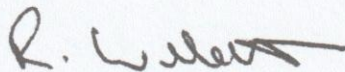
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Donations	12249	11133
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Maintenance & Service charges	36000	15219
Staff costs	2551	696
Telephone, stationery and office costs	2732	2493
Advertising and fund-raising costs	15754	10604
Accountancy, legal and other professional fees	1271	851
Depreciation	9000	2120
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b><u>307023</u></b>	<b><u>192623</u></b>
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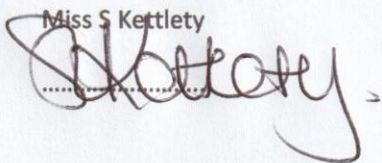
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Miss S Kettleby  


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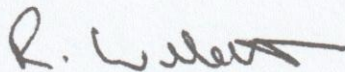
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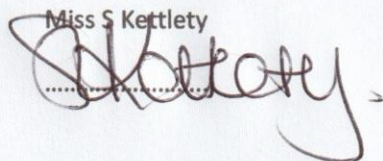
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