

**Hopton Rehab & Homing Centre**  
**Registered Charity No. 1173847**

**Annual Report and Financial Statement**  
**For the year ended 31 July 2023**

# **Hopton Rehab and Homing Centre**

## **Financial Statements for year ended 31 July 2023**

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# **Hopton Rehab & Homing Centre**

## **Report of the Trustees**

### **For the year ended 31 July 2023**

The Financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and accounting and reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) published on 16 July 2014 (as amended by (Update Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016).

## **CHARITY INFORMATION**

### **Board of Trustees:**

T Cooper

W Clent

### **Correspondence Address & Principal Office:**

T Cooper, 72 Beechfield Drive, Worcs. DY11 5HQ

### **Charity Number:**

1173847

### **Independent Examiner:**

K A Thompson, 40 Cranmere Avenue, Tettenhall, Wolverhampton, WV6 8TS

### **Bank:**

Barclays Bank PLC, Leicester, LE87 2BB

## **Hopton Rehab & Homing Centre**

### **Report of the Trustees (continued)**

**For the year ended 31 July 2023**

#### **TRUSTEES**

The following persons were in office as Trustees for the whole of the period from 1<sup>st</sup> August 2022 to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2023.

T Cooper

W Clent

#### **Reference and Administrative Details:**

Hopton Rehab & Homing Centre is a registered charity, number 1173847, its correspondence address is: T Cooper, 72 Beechfield Drive, Worcs. DY11 5HQ

#### **Structure, Governance and Management**

The Charity was registered with the Charities Commission on 18 July 2017. The governing documents instruct the trustees to act in a way to promote the objects of the charity.

#### **Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees**

Recruitment to the Board of Trustees is normally by invitation to individuals with the relevant skills and experience to strengthen the governance of the organisation. Potential Trustees are appointed by resolution at a properly convened meeting of the current trustees.

#### **Objectives and Activities**

The charitable object is the promotion of humane behaviour towards horses by providing appropriate care, protection, treatment and security for those which are in need of care and attention by reason of sickness, maltreatment or poor circumstances, through the provision of facilities for the reception, care and treatment of such animals and the rehoming of them.

We have referred to The Charity Commission's general guidance on Public Benefit Entities when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities.



## **Hopton Rehab & Homing Centre**

### **Report of the Trustees (continued)**

**For the year ended 31 July 2023**

### **Achievements and Performance**

#### Overview

Over the last 12 months there has been a substantial change in the circumstances of the charity, after it received notification in November 2022 that probate had been granted in connection with a legacy. The charity would be the main beneficiary of this legacy, which would include farmland and buildings.

Prior to this the charity had been forced to relocate due to the existing premises undergoing a change of use. We were successful in acquiring land and grazing at a former racing yard, while a number of the horses remained at the property of one of the trustees.

#### Fundraising & Communications

The charity held a successful open day at the new yard, which was well attended by a large number of supporters and donors. This helped raise awareness and the profile of the charity in a new location.

During this period, the number of horses coming into the charity increased, there was great interest, and it was pleasing to see them move into new homes. This was very encouraging after the period of lockdowns experienced the year before.

Sales of second hand goods and tack increased, and the monthly car boot sales proved to be extremely popular with record attendance. Donations of a large variety of used goods and clothing were received, and sales increased accordingly.

#### Trusts and Foundations

The charity was delighted to receive grants from The Sir Peter O'Sullivan Trust and The Childwick Trust. The Big Give raised over £3,000 and The Vera Howarth Trust and Animal Friends both granted sufficient funds to enable the 3.5T lorry to be repaired and updated with a brand new floor.

#### Legacies

During the early part of 2023 there were a number of communications with the Executor of the estate. The assets were to be held and managed via a discretionary trust, while the various parts of the estate were finalised. In June it was confirmed that the charity would be able to relocate to the property from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2023, following which notice was given in respect of the yard previously referred to.

The property included a residential bungalow, land and outbuildings all requiring extensive renovation and work started in July 2023. Restricted funds were released by the discretionary trustees to enable this work to commence. Funds would be allocated in accordance with the quotations and costings obtained and provided by recommended contractors. The priorities included electrics, fencing and repairing and preparing the stables and buildings ready for use as winter approached.

## **Hopton Rehab & Homing Centre**

### **Report of the Trustees (continued)**

#### **For the year ended 31 July 2023**

##### Digital Marketing and Social Media platforms

The new website proved much easier to navigate and update and this complemented our already popular social media platforms. Visibility through social media continued to increase, which in turn increased the awareness of the charity in both the local and broader community.

##### Summary

In conclusion 2022-23 was a very significant year for the charity. The charity continues to strive towards assisting the welfare and lives of many horses and ponies, some of which will remain in residence for the rest of their lives. Age and health issues often mean they are no longer suitable for rehoming, with the benefit of this legacy ensuring the security and longevity of the charity and its charitable objectives.

### **Financial Review**

The income for the charity was £392,805 for the year. Expenditure in furtherance of the charity's objectives was £129,921 whilst other expenditure totalled £49,512. This returned a surplus of £213,372 for the year (including £232,960 restricted funds designated for property and staffing costs for the following accounting period).

The support of the charity continues to grow and we are currently exploring some opportunities, which will realise our aim of having all the horses on one site at our own premises. Due to the covid pandemic we have struggled to achieve phase 1 of our reserve fund. However, the charity has moved forward with a clear vision of realising our goals and furthering our main aims and objectives.

### **Reserves Policy and Going Concern**

The Trustees aim to maintain reserves at a level sufficient to cover costs related to each period, with a target to accumulate three month's reserves, rising to six months in the future.



## **Hopton Rehab & Homing Centre**

### **Report of the Trustees (continued)**

**For the year ended 31 July 2023**

### **Trustees Responsibility Statement**

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees Report and the Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and UK accounting standards (UK General Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of the resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2015 (FRS 102).
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the Trust Deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

On behalf of the Trustees:



T Cooper

14 May 2024



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Hopton Rehab & Homing Centre

On accounts for the year  
ended

31 July 2023

Charity no  
(if any)

1173847

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 July 2023.

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's  
statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

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

Signed:

Date:

14 May 2024

Name:

Mr Keith Thompson

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

Address:

40 Cranmere Avenue, Tettenhall, Wolverhampton, West Midlands,  
WV6 8TS



## Hopton Rehab &amp; Homing Centre

Statement of Income and Expenditure  
For the year ended 31 July 2023

	Notes	2023			2022
		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Income</b>					
Government grants		-	-	-	2,668
Other grants		-	26,531	26,531	45,645
Donations		36,503	-	36,503	38,911
Livery fees		14,756	-	14,756	8,762
Sale of donated goods		9,911	-	9,911	11,718
Fundraising events		717	-	717	364
Gift Aid claimed		469	-	469	1,858
Legacies		20,000	283,150	303,150	-
Other		717	-	717	1,069
Interest earned		51	-	51	2
		83,124	309,681	392,805	110,997
<b>Expenditure</b>					
Expenditure on charitable activities	1	120,229	9,692	129,921	89,327
Governance costs	2	17,029	32,483	49,512	17,414
		137,258	42,175	179,433	106,741
		(54,134)	267,506	213,372	4,256
Transfers between funds		34,546	(34,546)	-	-
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		(19,588)	232,960	213,372	4,256
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>					
Total funds brought forward		8,591	11,046	19,637	15,381
Net movement in funds		(19,588)	232,960	213,372	4,256
Total funds carried forward		(10,997)	244,006	233,009	19,637

## Hopton Rehab &amp; Homing Centre

Statement of Assets and Liabilities  
As at 31 July 2023

	Notes	2023		2022	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
per schedule	3		11,472		10,200
<b>Current assets</b>					
Trade debtors		250		-	
Barclays Bank current account		228,082		6,754	
Barclays Bank Restricted Funds account		1,696		11,046	
Barclays Bank Hay Fund account		596		1,747	
Barclays Bank Reserves account		40		1,262	
PayPal account		1,114		298	
		<u>231,778</u>		<u>21,107</u>	
<b>Creditors falling due within one year</b>					
PAYE and national insurance		84		-	
Other creditors		307		-	
Loans	4	9,850		11,670	
		<u>10,241</u>		<u>11,670</u>	
<b>Net current assets</b>			221,537		9,437
<b>Net assets</b>			<u>233,009</u>		<u>19,637</u>
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<b>The funds of the charity</b>					
Restricted funds			244,006		11,046
Unrestricted funds			(10,997)		8,591
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>			<u>233,009</u>		<u>19,637</u>
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Approved by the board of trustees on 14 May 2024 and signed on its behalf by:-



T Cooper  
Trustee

## Hopton Rehab &amp; Homing Centre

Notes to the Financial Statements  
For the year ended 31 July 2023

	Notes	2023 Unrestricted funds £	2023 Restricted funds £	Total £	2,022 £
<b>1. Expenditure on charitable activities</b>					
Grazing, stabling & barn space rent		33,546	-	33,546	18,220
Forage, feed & supplements		9,716	4,405	14,121	6,288
Vet fees & medicines		13,375	4,566	17,941	11,483
Farrier		4,107	-	4,107	6,175
Bedding		905	-	905	505
Tack, equipment & repairs		1,792	-	1,792	4,479
Transport costs		2,564	520	3,084	-
Staff salaries		42,121	-	42,121	36,976
Casual labour		4,850	-	4,850	1,237
Contract labour		2,676	-	2,676	-
Fuel		1,099	-	1,099	2,178
Trustees expenses	5	935	-	935	388
Telephone		60	-	60	-
Office furniture		-	201	201	-
Sundry		2,483	-	2,483	1,398
		120,229	9,692	129,921	89,327
<b>2. Expenditure on governance</b>					
Advertising, including website costs		1,593	-	1,593	2,852
Merchandise		-	-	-	521
Motor vehicle insurance, tax & maintenance		2,288	-	2,288	3,621
Printing, postage & stationery		639	-	639	582
Sundry		741	-	741	310
Light & Heat		205	-	205	-
Computer costs		346	60	406	474
Repairs		1,597	552	2,149	1,238
Property maintenance		-	31,871	31,871	-
Liability insurance		3,398	-	3,398	2,843
Refreshments & cleaning		369	-	369	26
Subscriptions & sundry admin expenses		336	-	336	441
Accountancy and bookkeeping fees		2,650	-	2,650	1,660
Depreciation		2,867	-	2,867	-
(Gain)/loss on disposal of tangible fixed assets		-	-	-	2,846
		17,029	32,483	49,512	17,414



## Hopton Rehab & Homing Centre

### Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 July 2023

#### 3. Fixed assets

	Motor vehicles	Plant & machinery	Total
<b>Cost</b>			
1 August 2022	10,200	-	10,200
Additions	3,000	1,139	4,139
Disposals	-	-	-
31 July 2023	13,200	1,139	14,339
<b>Depreciation</b>	<b>(over 5 years)</b>	<b>(over 5 years)</b>	
1 August 2022	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-
Charge for year	2,640	227	2,867
31 July 2023	2,640	227	2,867
<b>Net book value</b>			
31 July 2023	10,560	912	11,472
1 August 2022	10,200	-	10,200

#### 4. Loans

The loan relates to funds received from Equitrain Limited, a company whose directors are also Trustees of this charity. There were total loan repayments of £1,820 to this account during the year.

#### 5. Trustee Expenses

Expenses paid to trustees during the year represents reimbursements made to 2 trustees (2022 2 trustees) for expenditure incurred in their role as trustee. Trustees worked honorarily for the charity during the year and received no remuneration (2022 £nil). One of the Trustees, T Cooper, invoiced the charity £1,440 from her business, Tracy Cooper Bookkeeping Services, for bookkeeping services supplied. Another Trustee, W Clent, was paid £13,800 for the rental of his land and buildings for the use of the charity and for feed supplied to the charity.

#### 6. Bank and cash

Bank and cash includes cash from the sale of goods along with cash drawn from the bank to fund expenditure. Cash from the sale of goods is generally set aside for the purpose of buying winter hay stocks.