



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date		Period end date		
From	1	April	2020	To 31 March 2021

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Riding for Smiles

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1174773

Charity's principal address

Bank House Farm

Mansfield Road

Creswell, Worksop

Postcode

S80 4AA

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	Dr Geoff Cutts	Chair/Treasurer		
2	Sharon Tolley			
3	Sarah Atkin			
4	Helen Stuckey	Secretary		

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
Special Educational Needs	Stephanie Hind	

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

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	New trustees are appointed by the 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

- To develop and deliver a range of equestrian experiences especially for young people and adults who are disabled, disadvantaged, vulnerable or in need of distraction or relief from hurt and pain.
- To plan, monitor and report on each experience or sequence of experiences to provide feedback in partnership with schools and groups. RfS will aim to link experiences to the curriculum where possible.
- To seek funding to support those schools, groups and individuals who are not able to fund themselves.
- To evaluate the project to report improvements in participants' social skills, self-esteem, self-confidence, responsibility, application, attitude, and wellbeing.

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)

Riding for Smiles is a charity offering inclusive and innovative equestrian based activities to disabled and vulnerable children, young people, and adults.

Activities include horse riding lessons, trekking, carriage riding, grooming, cleaning tack, stable management (poo picking), filling hay nets, having a drink and a chat (MIND), educational short sessions (difference between walk, trot, canter, gallop). Activities are designed to meet the needs of the group and their progression through the sessions.

We work with those who have physical, social, learning, behavioural and emotional/mental disabilities, or multiple needs and those who are disaffected, excluded, or marginalised.

Our sessions and activities provide enjoyable, enrichment experiences and recreational opportunities which develop confidence and self-esteem, self-regulation, positive social interaction, motivation, calmness, thoughtfulness, resilience, and physical exercise.

We work with Schools, Special Schools, Behaviour Units, Disability Sports Clubs, and other Charities to bespoke projects to meet individual and group needs.

The trustees are aware of the guidance on public benefits and have taken it into account when making decisions.

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.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

It has been a challenging year for everyone, including RfS. However, RfS is emerging in a strong position.

RfS in partnership with CCEC delivered 210 equestrian experiences in three months. Sadly, RfS was closed to schools for nine months and therefore this number is down from over 600 the previous year.

Other achievements include:-

The invaluable partnership with Coloured Cob Equestrian Centre has been developed and captured in a new Service Level Agreement.

RfS is delighted to have agreed a new working together agreement with Stephanie Hind, our project Liaison Officer and Special Educational Needs advisor.

Full reviews and updates have been completed of the RfS Safeguarding Policy and Code of Conduct, RfS Constitution, RfS Risk Assessments, RfS Rules, Agreement forms, Information Sheet etc.

RfS took delivery of a new carriage designed and built in the UK especially for wheelchair users and their carers.

RfS worked with consultants, Connected Thinking, to re-examine its business plan, the make-up of its Board of Trustees, its marketing and engagement plan and many other aspects of its vision, mission, and values together with its operational procedures.

RfS has built a digital presence starting with a web site, www.ridingforsmiles.org

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The policy is to secure unrestricted reserves around 14 months to cover items such as the payments to the Project Liaison officer, costs of the web site (which is maintained by a trustee foc), minimal insurance and training. Funds restricted to providing equestrian experiences are ring fenced to the agreement with the funders. RfS monitors funding opportunities and regularly bids for funding where there is a match to the objectives of RfS.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None.

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)

Dr Geoffrey Cutts

Sharon Tolley

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair / Treasurer

Date

March 30 th , 2021



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FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Riding for Smiles	1174773
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	April 1, 2020	To	March 31, 2021
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations and grants	8,055	44,000	-	52,055	18,600
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	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	8,055	44,000	-	52,055	22,440
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
N/A	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	8,055	44,000	-	52,055	22,440
A3 Payments					
Self Employed SEN Advisor	3,540	-	-	3,540	2,195
Costs of Experiences	-	5,250	-	5,250	18,153
Carriage Insurance	69	-	-	69	-
Development Project - Consultant	-	4,892	-	4,892	-
Sagefuarding Course	69	-	-	69	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	3,678	10,142	-	13,820	20,348

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Carriage plus delivery	-	6,415	-	6,415	
Purchase of a printer	103		-	103	
Sub total	103	6,415	-	6,518	-
Total payments	3,782	16,557	-	20,339	20,348
Net of receipts/(payments)	4,273	27,443	-	31,716	2,092
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end		-	-	4,319	-
Cash funds this year end	4,273	27,443	-	36,036	

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current Account	5,009	31,027	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	5,009	31,027	-
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
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		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details

Printer
Wheelchair Carriage

Fund to which asset belongs

Unrestricted
Restricted

Cost (optional)

103
6,115
-

Current value (optional)

1
6,115
-

B5 Liabilities

Details

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Fund to which liability relates

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Amount due (optional)


-

When due (optional)

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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature



Print Name

Dr Geoff Cutts
Chair and Treasurer, RfS Trustees

Date of approval

06/04/2021



**CHARITY COMMISSION
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**Independent examiner's
report on the accounts**

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Riding for Smiles

**On accounts for the year
ended**

March 31st, 2021

**Charity no
(if any)**

1174773

Set out on pages

2, 3, 4, 5, 6

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD/MM/YYYY.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

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

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

**Independent
examiner's statement**

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

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

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

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

Signed:

J Cooper

Date:

19-04-21

Name:

Jane Cooper

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

Address:

**Elmton, Worksop
S80 4LS**