

FOOD AND FARMING DISCOVERY TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1176121

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2017-12-06

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

Contact

Address Rnaa Norfolk Showground
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Activities

Objects: TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC IN NORFOLK, IN PARTICULAR THE EDUCATION OF CHILDREN OF SCHOOL AGE, IN FOOD PRODUCTION, FARMING AND COUNTRYSIDE EDUCATION, IN SUCH WAYS AS THE TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME DETERMINE, ENSURING THE EDUCATION IS PRESENTED IN A NEUTRAL AND BALANCED MANNER.

Activities: To advance the education of the public in Norfolk, in particular the education of children of school age, in food production, farming and countryside, ensuring its presented in a neutral and balanced manner.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, Environment/conservation/heritage
- **Who:** Children/young People, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Norfolk

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£57,155	£63,220	-	-
2023-12-31	£50,850	£78,012	-	-
2022-12-31	£76,592	£54,993	-	-
2021-12-31	£91,247	£60,600	-	-
2020-12-31	£40,250	£27,055	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Alice Charlotte Saunders		2025-01-22
Dr Catherine Mary Richards		2021-11-25
Jeremy Laurence White		2022-09-08
Jordan Alexander Sharman		2025-01-22
Mark Alexander Nicholas		2021-03-25
Rachel Mary Courtney Quick Burtwright		2022-11-16
Steffan Daniel Anderson Griffiths		2017-12-06
Susan Mary Frances Penlington		2023-05-23

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Accounts

Registered number: CE012563
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(A Company Limited by Guarantee)

UNAUDITED

TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

Trustees	Gregory Stephen Smith (resigned 23 May 2024) Steffan Daniel Anderson Griffiths, Chairman Ben Burgess Turner (resigned 16 October 2024) Poul Jorgen Hovesen (resigned 16 October 2024) Mark Alexander Nicholas Dr Catherine Mary Richards Phillip Hamilton Peter Ainsworth (resigned 15 October 2024) Jeremy Laurence White Rachel Mary Courtney Quick Susan Mary Frances Penlington Alice Charlotte Saunders (appointed 22 January 2025) Jordan Alexander Sharman (appointed 22 January 2025)
Company registered number	CE012563
Charity registered number	1176121
Registered office	Norfolk Showground Dereham Road Norwich Norfolk NR5 0TT
Accountants	MA Partners LLP 7 The Close Norwich Norfolk NR1 4DJ

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TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the Charity for the year 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024. The Annual Report serves the purposes of both a Trustees' report and a directors' report under company law. The Trustees confirm that the Annual Report and financial statements of the charitable company comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the charitable company's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Since the Charity qualifies as small under section 382 of the Companies Act 2006, the Strategic Report required of medium and large companies under the Companies Act 2006 (Strategic Report and Directors' Report) Regulations 2013 has been omitted.

Objectives and activities

a. Policies and objectives

The principal objective of the Charity is to advance the education of the public in Norfolk, in particular the education of children of school age, in food production, farming and countryside education, in such ways as the Trustees may from time to time determine, ensuring the education is presented in a neutral and balanced manner.

In setting objectives and planning for activities, the Trustees have given due consideration to general guidance published by the Charity Commission relating to public benefit, including the guidance 'Public benefit: running a charity (PB2)'.

b. Strategies for achieving objectives

The Charity's strategy remains:

- Providing activities to educate about Farming in Norfolk and to identify the best way to incorporate farming into the curriculum.
- Seeking to work more closely with schools and colleges in Norfolk.
- Providing educational content for events held by the Royal Norfolk Agricultural Association.

c. Main activities undertaken to further the Charity's purposes for the public benefit

The Trustees have had due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance to public benefit. The main activities undertaken to further the Charity's purposes for the public benefit are, through the provision of advice to further assist in the education of food and farming in Norfolk.

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Achievements and performance

a. Main achievements of the Charity

Key projects in 2024 have included:

Learn about Livestock. Learn about Livestock gives pupils the chance to experience farming firsthand and by enabling schools to care for a ewe and her lamb(s) for a full school week. The project is aimed at giving children, ranging from Early Years to Sixth Form, the chance to learn about animal husbandry and to engage schools in food and farming education. Due to livestock movement restrictions implemented by APHA, only 14 schools were able to participate. This project was kindly sponsored by the Clan Trust.

Discovery Zone. The Discovery Zone is the educational hub for the Royal Norfolk Show. It aims to highlight and promote the links between science, technology, engineering and maths, and food, farming and the countryside, to teach children more about agriculture in their local area and where their food comes from. This year the theme was Sugarbeet, and the Discovery Zone Trail demonstrated the lifecycle of Sugarbeet, from initial plantation to harvesting, for school groups and members of the public to enjoy and learn from. The trail this year included rhizotron, a tractor and drill provided by Ben Burgess, a Sugarbeet harvester kindly provided by D H Barnes and a cow and calf provided by Thornage Hall. A number of brilliant organisations took part in the Discovery Zone delivering interactive content during the Show, including Thornage Hall and the British Beet Research Organisation (BBRO).

With over 12,000 school and home educated children in attendance across the two days and extremely positive feedback from teachers, we are excited to begin plans for 2025. The Discovery Zone was generously supported by a number of local charities and trusts.

AgriTech Careers for a Sustainable Future. The AgriTech Careers for a Sustainable Future Event was run for the second time in March 2024, in partnership with the SAW (Science, Art and Writing) Trust, and the John Innes Centre. The day aims to showcase local agritech and innovation, whilst highlighting the range of career options available. Through exciting talks and interactive activities led by researchers and members of industry, the day offers Sixth Form students the opportunity to find out more about this fast-growing sector. This year 48 year 12 students took part in the day from 7 local schools and colleges. We hope the event will inspire students to consider agritech as a future career option and highlight to them the range of exciting opportunities within the sector.

Exploring Food & Farming. The pilot event took place on August 2024 at Easton College. It is a hands-on experience day for students aged 13, to learn hands on practical farming skills including lamb weighing, tractor driving and soil sampling. Students also learnt about a number of agro-ecological farming practices and took a trip to a local butcher to make their own sausages and burgers. The aim of the day is to build skills and confidence in students who would like to learn more about farming but do not have an opportunity to gain practical skills before attending college. We hope to run more of these days in the future to develop in depth skills programs as well as general introductory skills days.

Agriculture Unlocked. In September we hosted our first in sixth-form conference at East Norfolk Sixth Form College. The day featured a number of speakers from various areas of agriculture, as well as 10 stands from a selection of related agricultural organisations, to highlight the breadth of careers available within the wider farming sector. This event also attracted high school students from other local schools, and overall interacted with just under 2,000 students. The day also featured tasting of local produce and a tractor on display for students to interact with. Funding is sought to duplicate this event at a sixth form in South Norfolk for 2025, with the long term aim of also having conferences in North and West Norfolk.

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Achievements and performance (continued)

Food Security Conference. In November we launched our first annual Food Security Conference, a free event for sixth form students across Norfolk. We welcomed eight speakers to cover topics such as water & land use management, imports, exports & food standards, soil health and food waste. We have received fantastic feedback from students, teachers and speakers, and we look forward to hosting this again in 2025.

External events. Attended external events including Norwich Science Festival, Open Farm Sunday and Aylsham Show.

Employment of Trust Manager. In January 2024 Frances Roberson took over the role of Trust Manager from Dr Shannon Woodhouse who left in November 2023. Funding required for the post continues to be provided by the Royal Norfolk Agricultural Association, City College Norwich and the Clan Trust.

b. Achievements and performance

The impact of the work of the Charity is recorded in the recently published royal Norfolk Agricultural Association's Strategic Aims and impact report. Copies of this report are available on request from the Association's office.

Financial review

a. Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

b. Reserves policy

In the year ended 31 December 2024, the Charity made a deficit of **£6,065** (2023 - surplus of £27,162). The closing funds at the year end are **£23,825** (2023 - £29,890).

The Trustees are aware of their responsibilities for implementing a reserves policy. The unrestricted reserves are held to support administration and overhead costs. The intention is that this should be grown and maintained in surplus. Such unrestricted income is expendable at the discretion of the Trustees in the furtherance of the objectives of the Charity.

c. Principal funding

During the year, the Charity received grant funding from the Clan Trust, The Thomas Franks Foundation, D.C. Moncrieff Charitable Trust, The Aylsham Show, and the Royal Norfolk Agricultural Association.

The Trustees are enormously grateful to the Royal Norfolk Agricultural Association, and City College Norwich for providing grant funding to cover the costs of employing the Trust Manager.

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Structure, governance and management

a. Constitution

Food and Farming Discovery Trust is registered as a charitable company limited by guarantee and was set up by a Trust deed.

The Trust was constituted on 6 December 2017 in England and immediately commenced activities. The Trustees are listed on Page 1.

b. Methods of appointment or election of Trustees

The management of the Charity is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust deed.

In selecting individuals for appointment as Trustees, the charity Trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the Charity.

c. Risk Management

The Trustees have the overall responsibility for ensuring that the charity has an appropriate system of controls, financial and otherwise. The systems of financial control are designed to provide assurance against material misstatement or loss. They include:

- Regular meetings of the Trustees at which the financial health of the charitable company is reported and discussed.
- Written policy as to the management of the Charity's funds by third parties.
- Financial procedures to ensure the proper disbursement of monies owing by the Charity.

The Trustees have reviewed major risks and established systems together with appropriate monitoring procedures to mitigate them. The key risk controls used include:

- Formal agendas and minutes for all Committees and Board activity.
- Comprehensive strategic planning, budgeting and management accounting.
- Established organisational structure and lines of reporting.
- Clear authorisation and approval levels.
- Periodic reviews of policies and procedures.

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Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees (who are also the directors of the Charity for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial . Under company law, the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) 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 business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Charity's transactions and 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 Companies Act 2006. 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.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



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Steffan Daniel Anderson Griffiths
(Chair of Trustees)
Date: 30 October 2025



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Mark Alexander Nicholas

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Food and Farming Discovery Trust ('the Charity')

I report to the Charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the Trustees of the Charity (and its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Charity are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities.

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.

This report is made solely to the Charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

Signed:



Dated: 31 October 2025

Frank Shippam BSc FCA DChA

MA Partners LLP

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	<i>Total funds 2023 £</i>
Income from:				
Donations and legacies	3	54,134	54,134	45,100
Charitable activities	4	3,021	3,021	5,750
Total income		57,155	57,155	50,850
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	5	63,220	63,220	78,012
Total expenditure		63,220	63,220	78,012
Net movement in funds		(6,065)	(6,065)	(27,162)
Reconciliation of funds:				
Total funds brought forward		29,890	29,890	57,052
Net movement in funds		(6,065)	(6,065)	(27,162)
Total funds carried forward		23,825	23,825	29,890

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 10 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

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REGISTERED NUMBER: CE012563

BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Current assets			
Debtors	10	28,163	32,708
		<u>28,163</u>	<u>32,708</u>
Current liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	(4,338)	(2,818)
		<u>23,825</u>	<u>29,890</u>
Net current assets		23,825	29,890
Total assets less current liabilities		23,825	29,890
Total net assets		23,825	29,890
Charity funds			
Unrestricted funds	12	23,825	29,890
Total funds		23,825	29,890

The Charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of Companies Act 2006.

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of financial statements.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to entities subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Steffan Daniel Anderson Griffiths

Steffan Daniel Anderson Griffiths
 (Chair of Trustees)

Date: 30 October 2025

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M.A. Nicholas / Oct 29, 2025 14:49:58 GMT

Mark Alexander Nicholas

The notes on pages 10 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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1. General information

The Food and Farming Discovery Trust is a charitable incorporated organisation, incorporated in the UK. The registered address is Norfolk Showground, Dereham Road, Norwich NR5 0TT.

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - 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 Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Food and Farming Discovery Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

2.2 Going concern

The Trustees have considered the level of funds at the year end and also considered the forecast income and expenditure to 31 December 2026 to be sufficient with the level of reserves for the Trust to be able to continue as a going concern.

2.3 Income

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

2.4 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Charity's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

2.5 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.6 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance Sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

2.7 Financial instruments

The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

2.8 Pensions

The Charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme and the pension charge represents the amounts payable by the Charity to the fund in respect of the year.

2.9 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

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3. Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	<i>Total funds 2023 £</i>
Donations	54,134	54,134	45,100
<i>Total 2023</i>	<u>45,100</u>	<u>45,100</u>	

4. Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	<i>Total funds 2023 £</i>
School Events	3,000	3,000	4,750
Other Educational Activities	-	-	1,000
Income from charitable activities - Other Income	21	21	-
Total 2024	<u>3,021</u>	<u>3,021</u>	<u>5,750</u>
<i>Total 2023</i>	<u>5,750</u>	<u>5,750</u>	

5. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Summary by fund type

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	<i>Total 2023 £</i>
Charitable Activities	63,220	63,220	78,012
<i>Total 2023</i>	<u>78,012</u>	<u>78,012</u>	

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6. Analysis of expenditure by activities

	Activities undertaken directly 2024 £	Support costs 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	<i>Total funds 2023 £</i>
Charitable Activities	46,706	16,514	63,220	78,012
<i>Total 2023</i>	<u>48,512</u>	<u>29,500</u>	<u>78,012</u>	

Analysis of direct costs

	Total funds 2024 £	<i>Total funds 2023 £</i>
Staff costs	39,188	36,640
Event Costs & Resources	6,175	11,331
Travel & Subsistence	1,236	541
Trailer Maintenance	28	-
Subscriptions & Donations	79	-
	<u>46,706</u>	<u>48,512</u>

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6. Analysis of expenditure by activities (continued)

Analysis of support costs

	Total funds 2024 £	<i>Total funds 2023 £</i>
Website Development	7,300	21,834
Fund Raising Costs	4,720	3,560
Insurance	1,432	1,356
Accountancy	1,080	1,140
Legal & Professional Fees	869	900
Governance Costs	436	391
Bank Charges	197	267
Printing & Stationery	23	52
Sundries	457	-
	<u><u>16,514</u></u>	<u><u>29,500</u></u>

7. Independent examiner's remuneration

The independent examiner's remuneration amounts to an independent examiner fee of £1,080 (2023 - £1,740), and payroll services of £581 (2023 - £900).

8. Staff costs

	2024 £	<i>2023 £</i>
Wages and salaries	37,500	34,741
Contribution to defined contribution pension schemes	1,688	1,899
	<u><u>39,188</u></u>	<u><u>36,640</u></u>

The average number of persons employed by the Charity during the year was as follows:

	2024 No.	<i>2023 No.</i>
Trust Manager	<u><u>1</u></u>	<u><u>1</u></u>

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8. Staff costs (continued)

No employee received remuneration amounting to more than £60,000 in either year.

9. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits (2023 - £NIL).

During the year ended 31 December 2024, no Trustee expenses have been incurred (2023 - £NIL).

10. Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Due within one year		
Other debtors	27,742	32,299
Prepayments and accrued income	421	409
	28,163	32,708

11. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	2,722	1,398
Trade creditors	953	1,420
Other taxation and social security	663	-
	4,338	2,818

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12. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 January 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at 31 December 2024 £
Unrestricted funds				
General Funds - all funds	29,890	57,155	(63,220)	23,825

Statement of funds - prior year

	<i>Balance at 1 January 2023 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Balance at 31 December 2023 £</i>
Unrestricted funds				
General Funds - all funds	<i>57,052</i>	<i>50,850</i>	<i>(78,012)</i>	<i>29,890</i>

13. Summary of funds

Summary of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 January 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at 31 December 2024 £
General funds	29,890	57,155	(63,220)	23,825

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13. Summary of funds (continued)

Summary of funds - prior year

	<i>Balance at 1 January 2023 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Balance at 31 December 2023 £</i>
General funds	57,052	50,850	(78,012)	29,890
	57,052	50,850	(78,012)	29,890

14. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current period

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £
Current assets	28,163	28,163
Creditors due within one year	(4,338)	(4,338)
Total	23,825	23,825

Analysis of net assets between funds - prior period

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2023 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2023 £</i>
Current assets	32,708	32,708
Creditors due within one year	(2,818)	(2,818)
Total	29,890	29,890

15. Pension commitments

The Charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the Charity in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the Charity to the fund and amounted to **£1,688** (2023 - £1,899).

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16. Related party transactions

The Royal Norfolk Agricultural Association (RNAA) is a related party as Dr C M Richards is a Trustee of the RNAA and M A Nicholas MBE DL is the Managing Director of the RNAA. During the year the RNAA recharged expenses totalling **£7,385** (2023 - £13,845). The RNAA made four grants to the Charity in the year to 31 December 2023 totalling **£20,000** (2023 - *three grants in total £15,000*) relating to staffing support. Included within other debtors as at 31 December 2024 is a balance of **£27,742** (2023 - £32,299) owed by the RNAA.

The RNAA also acted as an agent on behalf of the Charity during the year, with income being received totalling **£57,155** (2023 - £50,850) and expenditure being incurred totalling **£61,712** (2023 - £83,955), through a designated bank account. At 31 December 2024 a cash balance was held on behalf of the Trust of **£27,742** (2023 - £32,299).

There are no other related party transactions to disclose.

FOOD AND FARMING DISCOVERY TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1176121

Accounts

Registered number: CE012563
Charity number: 1176121

FOOD AND FARMING DISCOVERY TRUST
(A Company Limited by Guarantee)

UNAUDITED

TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

Trustees	Robert George Russell Carter (resigned 14 December 2023) Gregory Stephen Smith (resigned 23 May 2024) Steffan Daniel Anderson Griffiths, Chairman Ben Burgess Turner Poul Jorgen Hovesen Mark Alexander Nicholas Dr Catherine Mary Richards Phillip Hamilton Peter Ainsworth (resigned 15 October 2024) Jeremy Laurence White Rachel Mary Courtney Quick Susan Mary Frances Penlington (appointed 23 May 2023)
Company registered number	CE012563
Charity registered number	1176121
Registered office	Norfolk Showground Dereham Road Norwich Norfolk NR5 0TT
Accountants	MA Partners LLP 7 The Close Norwich Norfolk NR1 4DJ

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TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the Charity for the year 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023. The Annual Report serves the purposes of both a Trustees' report and a directors' report under company law. The Trustees confirm that the Annual Report and financial statements of the charitable company comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the charitable company's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2015) as amended by Update Bulletins 1 and 2.

Since the Charity qualifies as small under section 382 of the Companies Act 2006, the Strategic Report required of medium and large companies under the Companies Act 2006 (Strategic Report and Directors' Report) Regulations 2013 has been omitted.

Objectives and activities

a. Policies and objectives

The principal objective of the Charity is to advance the education of the public in Norfolk, in particular the education of children of school age, in food production, farming and countryside education, in such ways as the Trustees may from time to time determine, ensuring the education is presented in a neutral and balanced manner.

In setting objectives and planning for activities, the Trustees have given due consideration to general guidance published by the Charity Commission relating to public benefit, including the guidance 'Public benefit: running a charity (PB2)'.

b. Strategies for achieving objectives

The Charity's strategy remains:

- Providing activities to educate about Farming in Norfolk and to identify the best way to incorporate farming into the curriculum.
- Seeking to work more closely with schools and colleges in Norfolk.
- Providing educational content for events held by the Royal Norfolk Agricultural Association.

c. Main activities undertaken to further the Charity's purposes for the public benefit

The Trustees have had due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance to public benefit. The main activities undertaken to further the Charity's purposes for the public benefit are, through the provision of advice to further assist in the education of food and farming in Norfolk.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
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Achievements and performance

a. Main achievements of the Charity

Key projects in 2023 have included:

Learn about Livestock. Learn about Livestock gives pupils the chance to experience farming firsthand and by enabling schools to care for a ewe and her lamb(s) for a full school week. The project is aimed at giving children, ranging from Early Years to Sixth Form, the chance to learn about animal husbandry and to engage schools in food and farming education. Building on the success of 2022 the project was further expanded to allow 20 schools across Norfolk and Suffolk to take part in this rewarding learning experience. This project was kindly sponsored by the Clan Trust.

Discovery Zone. The Discovery Zone is the educational hub for the Royal Norfolk Show. It aims to highlight and promote the links between science, technology, engineering and maths, and food, farming and the countryside, to teach children more about agriculture in their local area and where their food comes from. This year the theme was Norfolk Fruit and Veg, and the Discovery Zone Trail demonstrated a range of locally grown produce for school groups and members of the public to enjoy and learn from. The trail this year included a polytunnel from Place UK, a carrot harvester from Tompsett Burgess Growers and even an insect Trap from G's Fresh. A number of brilliant organisations took part in the Discovery Zone delivering interactive content during the Show, including the Norwich Science Festival, the Papillon Project and Thornage Hall.

The 2023 Royal Norfolk Show included the addition of a STEMM (science, technology, engineering, maths and medicine) village to promote the skills and careers opportunities offered by a range of Norfolk-based businesses. The STEMM Village was curated by the Youth STEMM Awards and the delivery was supported by the the Charity and Royal Norfolk Agricultural Association.

With over 9,000 school children in attendance across the two days and extremely positive feedback from teachers, we are excited to begin plans for 2024. The Discovery Zone was generously supported by a number of local charities and trusts.

Learn about Agriculture. 2023 saw two pilot sessions of our Learn about Agriculture Impact Days in partnership with the Papillon Project. The two Norfolk Secondary Schools that took part were the Hewett Academy and Thorpe St Andrew School, with over 50 students from Year 7 to Year 9 taking part. The days centered around presenting young people with the facts about food production systems, exploring the pros and cons of farming and small scale growing and getting them to consider supermarkets and their role in the food chain.

AgriTech Careers for a Sustainable Future. The AgriTech Careers for a Sustainable Future Event was run for the first time in March 2023, in partnership with the SAW (Science, Art and Writing) Trust, and the John Innes Centre. The day aims to showcase local agritech and innovation, whilst highlighting the range of career options available. Through exciting talks and interactive activities led by researchers and members of industry, the day offers Sixth Form students the opportunity to find out more about this fast-growing sector. This year 43 year 12 students took part in the day from 7 local schools and colleges. We hope the event will inspire students to consider agritech as a future career option and highlight to them the range of exciting opportunities within the sector.

Forest Gardens for Schools. The project is in partnership with the SAW Trust and the Gressenhall Environment Hub. Four schools are taking part this academic year, West Earham Junior School, The Bawburgh School, Swanton Morley VC Primary School and St Mary's Community Primary School, Beetley. The John Innes Foundation has awarded us a further £10,000 to continue the project for a second year.

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Achievements and performance (continued)

Local events and activities: The Charity's Manager attended and provided education content for external events including the Norwich Science Festival, Open Farm Sunday and the Aylsham Show.

Supporting bursaries and scholarships. The Charity has worked with the Royal Norfolk Agricultural Association and supported their objective to raise aspirations and enable potential through the awarding of bursaries and scholarships (the Opportunities Fund). The Charity liaised with the John Innes Foundation and supported the process to identify and select two recipients of the John Innes Foundation Undergraduate Bursary Award scheme for 2024 which funds tuition costs for selected undergraduates studying an agricultural subject.

Employment of Trust Manager. In November 2023 Dr Shannon Woodhouse finished her employment as Trust Manager and returned to the John Innes Centre to take up a role as a trial programme manager. The Trustees were delighted to have appointed Frances Roberson as Trust Manager with effect January 2024.

b. Achievements and performance

The impact of the work of the Charity is recorded in the recently published royal Norfolk Agricultural Association's Strategic Aims and impact report. Copies of this report are available on request from the Association's office.

Financial review

a. Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

b. Reserves policy

In the year ended 31 December 2023, the Charity made a deficit of **£27,162** (2022 - surplus of £21,599). The closing funds at the year end are **£29,890** (2022 - £57,052).

The Trustees are aware of their responsibilities for implementing a reserves policy. The unrestricted reserves are held to support administration and overhead costs. The intention is that this should be grown and maintained in surplus. Such unrestricted income is expendable at the discretion of the Trustees in the furtherance of the objectives of the Charity.

c. Principal funding

During the year, the Charity received grant funding from City College Norwich, D.C. Moncrieff Charitable Trust, The Aylsham Show, the John Innes Foundation, the John Jarrold Trust, and the Royal Norfolk Agricultural Association.

The Trustees are enormously grateful to the Royal Norfolk Agricultural Association, and City College Norwich for providing grant funding to cover the costs of employing the Trust Manager.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
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Structure, governance and management

a. Constitution

Food and Farming Discovery Trust is registered as a charitable company limited by guarantee and was set up by a Trust deed.

The Trust was constituted on 6 December 2017 in England and immediately commenced activities. The Trustees are listed on Page 1.

b. Methods of appointment or election of Trustees

The management of the Charity is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust deed.

In selecting individuals for appointment as Trustees, the charity Trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the Charity.

c. Risk Management

The Trustees have the overall responsibility for ensuring that the charity has an appropriate system of controls, financial and otherwise. The systems of financial control are designed to provide assurance against material misstatement or loss. They include:

- Regular meetings of the Trustees at which the financial health of the charitable company is reported and discussed.
- Written policy as to the management of the Charity's funds by third parties.
- Financial procedures to ensure the proper disbursement of monies owing by the Charity.

The Trustees have reviewed major risks and established systems together with appropriate monitoring procedures to mitigate them. The key risk controls used include:

- Formal agendas and minutes for all Committees and Board activity.
- Comprehensive strategic planning, budgeting and management accounting.
- Established organisational structure and lines of reporting.
- Clear authorisation and approval levels.
- Periodic reviews of policies and procedures.

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Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees (who are also the directors of the Charity for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law, the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:


- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) 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 business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Charity's transactions and 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 Companies Act 2006. 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.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by:


.....
Steffan Daniel Anderson Griffiths
(Chair of Trustees)

Date: 24/1/25


.....
Mark Alexander Nicholas

24/1/25

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Food and Farming Discovery Trust ('the Charity')

I report to the Charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the Trustees of the Charity (and its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Charity are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities.

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.

This report is made solely to the Charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

Signed:



Dated: 24 February 2025

Frank Shippam BSc FCA DChA

MA Partners LLP

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £	Total funds 2022 £
Income from:				
Donations and legacies	3	45,100	45,100	67,467
Charitable activities	4	5,750	5,750	9,125
Total income		50,850	50,850	76,592
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	5	78,012	78,012	54,993
Total expenditure		78,012	78,012	54,993
Net movement in funds		(27,162)	(27,162)	21,599
Reconciliation of funds:				
Total funds brought forward		57,052	57,052	35,453
Net movement in funds		(27,162)	(27,162)	21,599
Total funds carried forward		29,890	29,890	57,052

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 10 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

FOOD AND FARMING DISCOVERY TRUST
(A Company Limited by Guarantee)
REGISTERED NUMBER: CE012563

BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

		2023 £	2022 £
Current assets			
Debtors	10	32,708	65,768
		32,708	65,768
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	(2,818)	(8,716)
		29,890	57,052
Net current assets		29,890	57,052
Total assets less current liabilities		29,890	57,052
Total net assets		29,890	57,052
Charity funds			
Unrestricted funds	12	29,890	57,052
		29,890	57,052
Total funds		29,890	57,052


The Charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of Companies Act 2006.

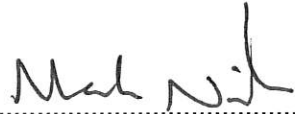
The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of financial statements.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to entities subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



 Steffan Daniel Anderson Griffiths
 (Chair of Trustees)
 Date: 24/1/25



 Mark Alexander Nicholas
 24/1/25

The notes on pages 10 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

1. General information

The Food and Farming Discovery Trust is a charitable incorporated organisation, incorporated in the UK. The registered address is Norfolk Showground, Dereham Road, Norwich NR5 0TT.

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - 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 Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The Charity has elected to apply all amendments to FRS 102, as set out in the Financial Reporting Council's triennial review published in December 2017, and included in Update Bulletin 2 to the Charities SORP (FRS 102), prior to mandatory adoption for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019.

The financial statements are presented in sterling and rounded to the nearest pound.

Food and Farming Discovery Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

2.2 Going concern

The Trustees have considered the level of funds at the year end and also considered the forecast income and expenditure to 31st December 2024 to be sufficient with the level of reserves for the Trust to be able to continue as a going concern.

2.3 Income

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

2.4 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Charity's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

2.5 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.6 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance Sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

2.7 Financial instruments

The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

2.8 Pensions

The Charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme and the pension charge represents the amounts payable by the Charity to the fund in respect of the year.

2.9 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

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3. Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £	<i>Total funds 2022 £</i>
Donations	45,100	45,100	67,467

4. Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £	<i>Total funds 2022 £</i>
School Events	4,750	4,750	3,125
Other Educational Activities	1,000	1,000	6,000
Total 2023	5,750	5,750	9,125

5. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Summary by fund type

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £	<i>Total funds 2022 £</i>
Charitable Activities	78,012	78,012	54,993

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6. Analysis of expenditure by activities

	Activities undertaken directly 2023 £	Support costs 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £	<i>Total funds 2022 £</i>
Charitable Activities	48,512	29,500	78,012	54,993
<i>Total 2022</i>	<i>37,467</i>	<i>17,526</i>	<i>54,993</i>	

Analysis of direct costs

	Total funds 2023 £	<i>Total funds 2022 £</i>
Staff costs	36,640	29,918
Event Costs & Resources	11,331	6,708
Travel & Subsistence	541	599
Trailer Maintenance	-	242
	48,512	37,467

Analysis of support costs

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6. Analysis of expenditure by activities (continued)

Analysis of support costs (continued)

	Total funds 2023 £	<i>Total funds 2022 £</i>
Website Development	21,834	9,152
Fund Raising Costs	3,560	2,510
Insurance	1,356	1,120
Accountancy	1,140	1,680
Legal & Professional Fees	900	1,123
Governance Costs	391	592
Bank Charges	267	250
Printing & Stationery	52	102
Advertising	-	563
Sponsorship	-	250
Sundries	-	184
	29,500	<i>17,526</i>

7. Independent examiner's remuneration

The independent examiner's remuneration amounts to an independent examiner fee of £1,740 (2022 - £1,080), and other services of £900 (2022 - £888).

8. Staff costs

	2023 £	<i>2022 £</i>
Wages and salaries	34,741	28,535
Social security costs	-	158
Contribution to defined contribution pension schemes	1,899	1,225
	36,640	<i>29,918</i>

The average number of persons employed by the Charity during the year was as follows:

	2023 No.	<i>2022 No.</i>
Trust Manager	1	<i>1</i>

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8. Staff costs (continued)

No employee received remuneration amounting to more than £60,000 in either year.

9. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits (2022 - £NIL).

During the year ended 31 December 2023, no Trustee expenses have been incurred (2022 - £NIL).

10. Debtors

	2023 £	2022 £
Due within one year		
Other debtors	32,299	65,405
Prepayments and accrued income	409	363
	<u>32,708</u>	<u>65,768</u>

11. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Trade creditors	1,420	4,654
Other creditors	-	1,715
Other taxation and social security	-	890
Accruals and deferred income	1,398	1,457
	<u>2,818</u>	<u>8,716</u>

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12. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 January 2023	Income	Expenditure	Balance at 31 December 2023
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General Funds - all funds	57,052	50,850	(78,012)	29,890

Statement of funds - prior year

	<i>Balance at 1 January 2022</i>	<i>Income</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Balance at 31 December 2022</i>
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General Funds - all funds	<i>35,453</i>	<i>76,592</i>	<i>(54,993)</i>	<i>57,052</i>

13. Summary of funds

Summary of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 January 2023	Income	Expenditure	Balance at 31 December 2023
	£	£	£	£
General funds	57,052	50,850	(78,012)	29,890

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13. Summary of funds (continued)

Summary of funds - prior year

	<i>Balance at 1 January 2022 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Balance at 31 December 2022 £</i>
General funds	35,453	76,592	(54,993)	57,052

14. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current year

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £
Current assets	32,708	32,708
Creditors due within one year	(2,818)	(2,818)
Total	29,890	29,890

Analysis of net assets between funds - prior year

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2022 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2022 £</i>
Current assets	65,768	65,768
Creditors due within one year	(8,716)	(8,716)
Total	57,052	57,052

15. Pension commitments

The Charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the Charity in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the Charity to the fund and amounted to **£1,899** (2022 - £1,225). Contributions totalling **£Nil** (2022 - £1,715) were payable to the fund at the balance sheet date and are included in creditors.

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16. Related party transactions

The Royal Norfolk Agricultural Association (RNAA) is a related party as Dr C M Richards is a Trustee of the RNAA and M A Nicholas MBE DL is the Managing Director of the RNAA. During the year the RNAA recharged expenses totalling £13,845 (2022 - £8,962) and its subsidiary charged the Charity a trade stand fee for the Norfolk Farming Conference of £Nil (2022 - £420). The RNAA made three grants to the Charity in the year to 31 December 2023 totalling £15,000 (2022 - one grant of £15,000) relating to staffing support. During the year the RNAA commissioned activity from the Charity amounting to £Nil (2022 - £6,000). Included within other debtors as at 31 December 2023 is a balance of £32,299 (2022 - £65,405) owed by the RNAA.

The RNAA also acted as an agent on behalf of the Charity during the year, with income being received totalling £50,850 (2022 - £76,592) and expenditure being incurred totalling £83,955 (2022 - 54,895), through a designated bank account. At 31 December 2023 a cash balance was held on behalf of the Trust of £32,299 (2022 - £65,405).

Builders Equipment Limited, whose ultimate parent undertaking is RG Carter Holdings Limited, a company controlled by R G Carter, has made available a trailer to be used for educational activities with unlimited use.

There are no other related party transactions to disclose.

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England & Wales - Charity number 1176121

Accounts

**FOOD AND FARMING DISCOVERY TRUST
(A CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION)**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

COMPANY NUMBER: CE012563
CHARITY NUMBER: 1176121

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Charity Registration No. 1176121

Company No. CE012563

Registered Address Norfolk Showground
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Trustees Robert George Russell Carter (resigned 14th December 2023)
Gregory Stephen Smith (resigned 23rd May 2024)
Steffan Daniel Anderson Griffiths (Chairman)
Ben Burgess Turner
Poul Jorgen Hovesen
Mark Alexander Nicholas
Dr Catherine Mary Richards
Phillip Hamilton Peter Ainsworth
Jeremy Laurence White (appointed 8th September 2022)
Rachel Mary Courtney Quick (appointed 16th November 2022)
Susan Mary Frances Penlington (appointed 23rd May 2023)

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5. Achievements and performance

a. Review of activities

Key projects in 2022 have included:

Learn about Livestock. Learn about Livestock gives pupils the chance to experience farming firsthand and by enabling schools to care for a ewe and her lamb(s) for a full school week. The project was first piloted in 2019 and is aimed at giving children, ranging from Early Years to Sixth Form, the chance to learn about animal husbandry and to engage schools in food and farming education. This year the project was expanded to allow 14 schools across Norfolk and Suffolk to take part in this rewarding learning experience. This project was kindly sponsored by the Clan Trust.

Discovery Zone. The Discovery Zone is the educational hub for the Royal Norfolk Show. It aims to highlight and promote the links between science, technology, engineering and maths, and food, farming and the countryside, to teach children more about agriculture in their local area and where their food comes from. This year the theme was the potato, and the Discovery Zone Trail demonstrated a full field to fork journey for school groups and members of the public to enjoy and learn from. A number of brilliant organisations to be a part of the Discovery Zone and deliver content during the Show, including the Norwich Science Festival, the Papillon Project and Morrisons.

With over 8000 school children in attendance across the two days and extremely positive feedback from teachers, we are excited to begin plans for 2023. The Discovery Zone was generously supported by a number of local charities and trusts.

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Digital Hub. 2022 saw the launch of the new FFDT Digital Hub, an online platform full of information and exciting resources to help young people learn more about food, farming and the countryside. The Digital Hub contains exciting interactive elements for users to explore, including What's In The Field, interactive maps that enable visitors to explore the Norfolk countryside by region or by season, a Careers Section that allows visitors to find out more about the career opportunities and training schemes available locally and the ever popular Conscious Consumers Resources that span topical issues around food, agriculture and the environment.

Show Ambassadors. This new initiative for Sixth Form Students promotes leadership, communication and teamworking skills, by giving students the responsibility of being an integral part of the Discovery Zone at the Royal Norfolk Show. We had 46 Sixth Form Students from five schools and colleges take part in 2022, and they all did a fantastic job engaging with the general public, special guests and school groups. We look forward to expanding this scheme for 2023.

Forest Gardens for Schools. In recognition of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, we launched a joint project with the SAW Trust, Nik Thomson Horticulture and the Gressenhall Environment Hub called Forest Gardens for Schools. We hope this project will help schools to create sustainable, biodiverse spaces, which can also yield food, whilst teaching students about woodland ecology and biodiversity. In the first pilot year of the project, we are working with four schools.

These types of gardens use the principles of forest ecology to have layered planting that predominantly provide sources of materials and food for use. We are building in resilience to changing climate into the gardens by creating more shaded areas, better soil structure and a carbon sink. This is a new venture that we are working closely with teachers and school grounds teams on to explore both the viability and benefits to enable more schools to participate in the project. This project is generously funded by the John Innes Foundation.

b. Going concern

Throughout the year, the Trustees have considered the level of funds held at the year end and also considered the forecast income and expenditure to 31st December 2024 to be sufficient with the level of reserves for the Trust to be able to continue as a going concern.

5. Review of Finances

At the end of the year the Trust made a surplus of £21,599 (2021: £30,647). The closing funds at the year-end was £57,052 (2021: £35,453).

The charity is aware of its responsibilities for implementing a reserves policy. The unrestricted reserves are held to support administration and overhead costs. The intention is that this should be grown and maintained in surplus. Such unrestricted income is expendable at the discretion of the Trustees in the furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

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During the year, the trust received donations and grant funding from the John Innes Foundation, Royal Norfolk Agricultural Association, City College Norwich, the Thomas Franks Foundation, the Clan Trust and the DC Moncrief Charitable Trust.

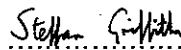
6. Structure, Governance and Management


The charity is governed by its constitution which was adopted on 6th December 2017.

The management of the charity is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected under the terms of the governing document.

In selecting individuals for appointment as Trustees, the charity Trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the Trust.

On behalf of the board of Trustees


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SDA Griffiths


.....
MA Nicholas

Date: 04/10/24

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Food and Farming Discovery Trust

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2022 which are set out on pages 7 to 13.

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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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.



Aaron Widdows ACA FCCA

On behalf of

Price Bailey LLP

Chartered Accountants

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Date: 4 October 2024

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Statement of Financial Activities

For the year ended 31 December 2022

	Note			2022	2021
		Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total £	Total £
Income from:					
Donations and Legacies	2	67,467	-	67,467	91,247
Income from Charitable Activities	3	9,125	-	9,125	-
Total Income		<u>76,592</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>76,592</u>	<u>91,247</u>
Expenditure on Charitable Activities					
Other Charitable Expenditure	4	54,993	-	54,993	60,600
Total Expenditure		<u>54,993</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>54,993</u>	<u>60,600</u>
Net surplus/(deficit) on operating activities		21,599	-	21,599	30,647
Net Movement in funds		<u>21,599</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21,599</u>	<u>30,647</u>
Reconciliation of funds					
Funds brought forward		35,453	-	35,453	4,806
Total funds carried forward		<u>57,052</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>57,052</u>	<u>35,453</u>

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Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2022

	Note	2022		2021	
		£	£	£	£
Current assets					
Debtors	8	<u>65,768</u>		<u>43,948</u>	
Total current assets		<u>65,768</u>		<u>43,948</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>8,716</u>		<u>8,495</u>	
Net assets less current liabilities			57,052		35,453
Net Assets/(Liabilities)			<u>57,052</u>		<u>35,453</u>
Represented by the funds of the charity:					
Unrestricted Funds:					
Unrestricted reserves	10		<u>57,052</u>		<u>35,453</u>
Total Funds			<u>57,052</u>		<u>35,453</u>

The financial statements were approved by the board of trustees on

Signed on behalf of the board of trustees

Stella Griffiths

SDA Griffiths

Mark Nicholas

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MA Nicholas

The notes on pages 9 to 13 form part of these financial statements

FOOD AND FARMING DISCOVERY TRUST

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2022

1 Statement of Accounting Policies

Basis of accounting

The Food and Farming Discovery Trust is a charitable incorporated organisation, incorporated in the UK. The registered address is Norfolk Showground, Dereham Road, Norwich NR5 0TT.

The Financial Statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102 1A) (effective 1 January 2019), Statement of Recommended Practice (FRS 102), applicable accounting standards and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements are presented in sterling and rounded to the nearest pound.

The Food and Farming Discovery Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

Going concern

The Trustees have considered the level of funds held at the year end and also considered the forecast income and expenditure to 31st December 2024 to be sufficient with the level of reserves for the Trust to be able to continue as a going concern.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainties

There are no estimates of a material amount applied in the preparation of these statements.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due. Accrued income and tax recoverable is included at the best estimate of the amounts receivable at the balance sheet date.

Creditors

Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their fair value as at the balance sheet date. All financial instruments of the charity are measured at cost.

Financial assets include trade debtors but exclude prepayments.

Financial liabilities include other creditors and accruals.

Income

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the Charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include back office costs, finance, personnel, payroll and governance costs which support the Charity's activities. These costs have been allocated to expenditure on charitable activities.

Governance costs are included in support costs and relate to the direct running of the Charity, allowing it to operate and generate the information required for public accountability. They include the costs of accounts preparation and independent examination.

Pensions

The Charity provides a defined contribution pension scheme, whereby the charity and its staff each fund the scheme, managed by a third party provider, the assets of which are held by the provider separately from the assets of the charity. The pension charge in the financial statements represents the amounts payable by the charity to the fund in respect of the period.

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1 Statement of Accounting Policies (Continued)

Corporation tax

The Charity is exempt from taxation in respect of income and capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to the charitable purposes.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are those which are available for the general purposes of the Charity at the discretion of the Trustees.

2 Donations and Legacies

	Unrestricted £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Donations	67,467	67,467	91,247
	<u>67,467</u>	<u>67,467</u>	<u>91,247</u>

In 2021, of donations totalling £91,247, £71,247 were unrestricted and £20,000 were restricted.

3 Income from Charitable Activities

	Unrestricted 2022 £	2021 £
Income from School Events	3,125	-
Other Educational Activities	6,000	-
	<u>9,125</u>	<u>-</u>

4 Analysis Of Other Charitable Expenditure

	Direct Costs £	Support Costs £	Total 2022 £
Salaries	28,693	-	28,693
Pension Costs	1,225	-	1,225
Event Costs & Resources	6,708	-	6,708
Travel & Subsistence	599	-	599
Accountancy	-	1,680	1,680
Website Development	-	9,152	9,152
Legal & Professional Fees	-	1,123	1,123
Governance Costs	-	592	592
Fund Raising Costs	-	2,510	2,510
Printing	-	102	102
Insurance	-	1,120	1,120
Advertising	-	563	563
Trailer Maintenance	242	-	242
Sponsorship	-	250	250
Bank charges	-	250	250
Sundries	-	184	184
	<u>37,467</u>	<u>17,526</u>	<u>54,993</u>

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4 Analysis Of Other Charitable Expenditure (Continued)

All expenditure is unrestricted.

	Direct Costs £	Support Costs £	Total 2021 £
Event Costs & Resources	29,218	-	29,218
Accountancy	-	1,080	1,080
Website Development	-	20,259	20,259
Printing	-	305	305
Insurance	-	1,065	1,065
Advertising	-	385	385
Trailer Project	7,842	-	7,842
Subscriptions	-	250	250
Bank charges	-	196	196
	<u>37,060</u>	<u>23,540</u>	<u>60,600</u>

Included within Website Development is restricted expenditure of £20,000. The remaining expenditure of £40,600 is unrestricted.

5 Governance Costs

	2022 £	2021 £
Trustee Meetings Minutes	592	-
Independent Examination Fee	1,080	1,080
Fees payable to the Independent Examiner in respect of other services	888	-
	<u>2,560</u>	<u>1,080</u>

6 Trustee Remuneration

No remuneration nor expenses were paid during the period to the Trustees (2021: £Nil).

7 Staff Costs

Staff costs were as follows :

	2022 £	2021 £
Wages and Salaries	28,535	-
Social Security Costs	158	-
Other Pension Costs	1,225	-
	<u>29,918</u>	<u>-</u>

The average number of persons employed by the charity during the year was as follows:

	2022 No.	2021 No.
	<u>1</u>	<u>-</u>

No employee received remuneration amounting to more than £60,000 in the period (2021: Nil).

The total remuneration of trustee and key management personnel in the period amounted to £Nil (2021: £Nil).

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8 Debtors

	2022	2021
	£	£
Other Debtors	65,405	43,708
Prepayments and Accrued Income	363	240
	<u>65,768</u>	<u>43,948</u>

9 Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Trade Creditors	4,654	7,214
Other Creditors	1,715	-
Social Security and Other Taxes	890	-
Accruals	1,457	1,281
	<u>8,716</u>	<u>8,495</u>

10 Total Funds Summary

	Unrestricted Reserve	Total
	£	2022
		£
Balance at 1 January 2022	35,453	35,453
Incoming resources	76,592	76,592
Resources expended	(54,993)	(54,993)
Balance at 31 December 2022	<u>57,052</u>	<u>57,052</u>

	Unrestricted Reserve	Restricted Reserve	Total
	£	£	2021
			£
Balance at 1 January 2021	4,806	-	4,806
Incoming resources	71,247	20,000	91,247
Resources expended	(40,600)	(20,000)	(60,600)
Balance at 31 December 2021	<u>35,453</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>35,453</u>

11 Analysis of Net Assets between funds

Fund balances at 31 December 2022 are represented by:

	Unrestricted Reserve	Total Funds
	£	£
Current assets	65,768	65,768
Current liabilities	(8,716)	(8,716)
Balance at 31 December 2022	<u>57,052</u>	<u>57,052</u>

Fund balances at 31 December 2021 are represented by:

	Unrestricted Reserve	Total Funds
	£	£
Current assets	43,948	43,948
Current liabilities	(8,495)	(8,495)
Balance at 31 December 2021	<u>35,453</u>	<u>35,453</u>

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12 Pension Commitments

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in independently administered funds. The total pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the charity to the funds and amounted to £1,225 (2021: £nil). Contributions totalling £1,715 (2021: £nil) were payable to the fund at the balance sheet date and are included in creditors.

13 Related Parties

The Royal Norfolk Agricultural Association (RNAA) is a related party as Dr C M Richards is a Trustee of the RNAA and M A Nicholas MBE DL is the Managing Director of the RNAA. During the year the RNAA recharged expenses totalling £8,962 (2021: £Nil) and its subsidiary charged the Trust a trade stand fee for the Norfolk Farming Conference of £420 (2021: £Nil). The RNAA made a grant to the Trust in the year to 2022 of £15,000 (2021: 2 grants of £26,570) relating to staffing support. During the year the RNAA commissioned activity from the Trust amounting to £6,000 (2021: £Nil). At 31 December 2022 the Trust was owed from the RNAA a balance of £65,405 (2021: £43,708) and is included within Other Debtors of the Trust.

The RNAA also acted as an agent on behalf of the Trust during the financial year, with income being received totalling £76,592 (2021: £64,677) and expenditure being incurred totalling £54,895 (2021: £43,391), through a designated bank account. At 31st December 2022 a cash balance was held on behalf of the Trust of £65,405 (2021: £43,708).

Builders Equipment Limited, whose ultimate parent undertaking is RG Carter Holdings Limited a company controlled by R G Carter, has made available a trailer to be used for educational activities with unlimited use.

There are no other related party transactions to disclose.

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5. Achievements and performance

a. Review of activities

As a result of the global pandemic caused by the novel Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) several of the Trust's activities had to be curtailed in 2021. The Trust would have provided educational content for the RNAA's large-scale events – Spring Fling and the Royal Norfolk Show – however, both of these events had to be cancelled. The restrictions, which continued for much of 2021, resulted in only limited activity with schools although more virtual content was generated by the Trust.

Key projects in 2021 have included:

Climate Change Conference. In collaboration with St Peter Mancroft's church Norwich, Gaia exhibition and the Norwich Science Festival, Dr Jenni Rant (FFDT Advisory Group member) delivered an online climate change conference with the Science Art and Writing Trust for primary schools over the period 19 October-12 November 2021. The event was hosted as part of the Science Festival website. The conference provided a mixture of short videos by real life scientists (including from the John Innes Centre), farmers, artists and writers and hands on activities for teachers to run from the comfort of their own classrooms. A number of participating schools were also invited to take artwork and 'pledges to the planet', produced by their children, to put on display at St Peter Mancroft church. To celebrate the arrival of the awe-inspiring Gaia sculpture by artist Luke Jerram at the church, the art session enabled children to create their own planet pieces.

Teacher feedback post event has been extremely positive. The feedback indicated that teachers found the resources to be easily accessible, activities well-explained, and the combination of videos and activities complemented each other. Most teachers said that they planned to reuse the resources in the future. They also said that children who took part gained an improved understanding of climate change, were aware that food production has an impact on climate change and were shown examples of new farming techniques that are more climate friendly.

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The Climate Change conference was generously funded by the John Innes Foundation.

Conscious Consumers project. Last year in a collaboration between the SAW Trust, the Youth Stemm Award and LEAF Education, the FFDT developed three resources for teenagers on the topics of food miles, plant-based diets and personalised nutrition to enable young people to delve deeper into the facts and build confidence to question data sources on social media. This year the Trust has developed three new resources on the topics of climate change, rewilding and animal welfare. With videos from experts and practical activities, these workshops are free to download and can be completed as part of a group at school or college or independently at home. They are designed to enable young people to explore topical issues that span the boundaries of agriculture, food, health and society and invite young people to consider what it means to be a conscious consumer and think about how the choices we make everyday impact on the environment and our wellbeing.

The resources are currently available on the Youth Stemm Award website and soon to be added on Countryside Classrooms, Children's University and the new FFDT digital platform. To promote the resources to young people we ran a competition as part of the Norwich Science Festival the Trust will have a taster activity published in the British Science Association's science week pack in early 2022 that will be downloaded by over 20,000 secondary school teachers.

The Conscious Consumers project is generously funded by the Chadacre Charitable Trust.

Digital Hub. To support and grow the activity of the FFDT, the Trust is investing in a new digital hub which will be based around an easy to use, interactive and visually engaging website, forming a home for digital resources and raising the impact of our hands-on events and activities. Content will be channelled across six core areas or themes, education, careers, nature, technology and information on what is growing and being produced locally. Content for these areas is being developed in collaboration with partner organisations and supported by a comprehensive social media strategy with timely and regularly updated bite-sized educational content. Key to our offer will be the blend of remote learning with hands-on activities and events supported by our mobile classroom.

The Royal Norfolk Agricultural Association has raised funds from local charitable trusts to fund the build and development of the Digital Hub.

Employment of Trust Manager. In early 2022 the Trust created a new position of Trust Manager. Funding required for the post has been secured from the Royal Norfolk Agricultural Association, City College Norwich and the Clan Trust. The appointee, Dr Shannon Woodhouse, will join the Trust having completed a role as a post-doctoral researcher with the John Innes Centre.

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

5. Achievements and performance

b. Going concern

Throughout the year, the Trustees had to consider the potential impact of the global pandemic caused by the novel Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) on its activities, its finances and the ability to deliver its charitable objectives. The Trustees judge the organisation to be a going concern.

6. Review of Finances

At the end of the year the Trust made a surplus of £30,647 (2020: £13,195). The closing funds at the year-end was £35,453 (2020: £4,806).

The charity is aware of its responsibilities for implementing a reserves policy. The unrestricted reserves are held to support administration and overhead costs. The intention is that this should be grown and maintained in surplus. Such unrestricted income is expendable at the discretion of the Trustees in the furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

During the year, the trust received grant funding from the Chadacre Agricultural Trust, CLA Charitable Trust, John Innes Foundation, Royal Norfolk Agricultural Association and the Clan Trust.

7. Structure, Governance and Management

The charity is governed by its constitution which was adopted on 6th December 2017.

The management of the charity is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected under the terms of the governing document.

In selecting individuals for appointment as Trustees, the charity Trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the Trust.

On behalf of the board of Trustees



Mark Nicholas (Oct 27, 2022, 5:01pm)

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M A Nicholas

Date: 27 Oct 2022

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Food and Farming Discovery Trust**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021 which are set out on pages 7 to 12.

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').

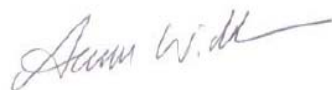
I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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.



Aaron Widdows ACA FCCA

On behalf of
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Chartered Accountants

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Date: 28 October 2022

FOOD AND FARMING DISCOVERY TRUST

Statement of Financial Activities (incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account)

For the year ended 31 December 2021

	Note			2021	2020
		Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total £	Total £
Income from:					
Donations and Legacies	2	71,247	20,000	91,247	40,250
Total Income		71,247	20,000	91,247	40,250
Expenditure on Charitable Activities					
Other Charitable Expenditure	3	40,600	20,000	60,600	27,055
Total Expenditure		40,600	20,000	60,600	27,055
Net surplus/(deficit) on operating activities		30,647	-	30,647	13,195
Net movement in funds		30,647	-	30,647	13,195
Reconciliation of funds					
Funds brought forward		4,806	-	4,806	(8,389)
Total funds/(deficit) carried forward		35,453	-	35,453	4,806

The notes on pages 9 to 12 form part of these financial statements

FOOD AND FARMING DISCOVERY TRUST

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2021

	Note	2021	2020
		£	£
Current assets			
Debtors	6	<u>43,948</u>	<u>10,203</u>
Total current assets		<u>43,948</u>	<u>10,203</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	7	<u>8,495</u>	<u>5,397</u>
Net assets less current liabilities		35,453	4,806
Net Assets/(Liabilities)		<u>35,453</u>	<u>4,806</u>
Represented by the funds of the charity:			
Unrestricted Funds:			
Unrestricted reserves	8	<u>35,453</u>	<u>4,806</u>
Total Funds		<u>35,453</u>	<u>4,806</u>

The financial statements were approved by the board of trustees on 27 Oct 2022

Signed on behalf of the board of trustees



Mark Nicholas (Oct 27, 2022, 5:01pm).....

M A Nicholas

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FOOD AND FARMING DISCOVERY TRUST

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2021

1 Statement of Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting and assessment of going concern

The Food and Farming Discovery Trust is a charitable incorporated organisation, incorporated in the UK. The registered address is Norfolk Showground, Dereham Road, Norwich NR5 0TT.

The Financial Statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102 1A) (effective 1 January 2019), Statement of Recommended Practice (FRS 102), applicable accounting standards and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements are presented in sterling and rounded to the nearest pound.

The Food and Farming Discovery Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

Comparative figures may not be entirely comparable due to the first accounting period being longer than one year.

These financial statements have been prepared under the going concern basis of accounting. With known funding subsequent to the year end, the Trustees believe the Trust will continue in operation for at least 12 months from the date of approval of these Financial Statements.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainties

There are no estimates of a material amount applied in the preparation of these statements.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due. Accrued income and tax recoverable is included at the best estimate of the amounts receivable at the balance sheet date.

Creditors

Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their fair value as at the balance sheet date. All financial instruments of the charity are measured at cost.

Financial assets include trade debtors but exclude prepayments.

Financial liabilities include other creditors and accruals.

Income

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

2 Donations and Legacies

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2021 Total	2020 Total
	£	£	£	£
Donations	71,247	20,000	91,247	40,250
	<u>71,247</u>	<u>20,000</u>	<u>91,247</u>	<u>40,250</u>

The restricted donation relates to a gift from the Royal Norfolk Agricultural Association for website build costs.

FOOD AND FARMING DISCOVERY TRUST

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For the year ended 31 December 2021

3 Analysis Of Other Charitable Expenditure

	Direct Costs £	Support Costs £	Total 2021 £
Event Costs & Resources	29,218	-	29,218
Accountancy	-	1,080	1,080
Website Development	-	20,259	20,259
Printing	-	305	305
Insurance	-	1,065	1,065
Advertising	-	385	385
Trailer Project	7,842	-	7,842
Subscriptions	-	250	250
Bank charges	-	196	196
	<u>37,060</u>	<u>23,540</u>	<u>60,600</u>

Included within Website Development is restricted expenditure of £20,000 (2020: £Nil).

	Direct Costs £	Support Costs £	Total 2020 £
Event Costs & Resources	19,900	-	19,900
Travel & Subsistence	183	-	183
Accountancy	-	1,500	1,500
Website Development	-	345	345
Insurance	-	555	555
Trailer Project	3,839	-	3,839
Subscriptions	-	633	633
Bank charges	-	100	100
	<u>23,922</u>	<u>3,133</u>	<u>27,055</u>

All expenditure is unrestricted.

4 Governance Costs

	2021 £	2020 £
Independent Examination Fee	1,080	1,500
	<u>1,080</u>	<u>1,500</u>

FOOD AND FARMING DISCOVERY TRUST

Notes to the Financial Statements

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5 Trustee Remuneration

No remuneration nor expenses were paid during the period to the Trustees (2020: £Nil).

6 Debtors

	2021 £	2020 £
Other Debtors	43,708	9,852
Prepayments and Accrued Income	240	351
	<u>43,948</u>	<u>10,203</u>

7 Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Trade Creditors	7,214	660
Other Creditors	-	-
Accruals	1,281	4,737
	<u>8,495</u>	<u>5,397</u>

8 Total Funds Summary

	Unrestricted Reserve £	Total 2021 £
Balance at 1 January 2021	4,806	4,806
Incoming resources	91,247	91,247
Resources expended	(60,600)	(60,600)
Balance at 31 December 2021	<u>35,453</u>	<u>35,453</u>
	Unrestricted Reserve £	Total 2020 £
Balance at 1 January 2020	(8,389)	(8,389)
Incoming resources	40,250	40,250
Resources expended	(27,055)	(27,055)
Balance at 31 December 2020	<u>4,806</u>	<u>4,806</u>

FOOD AND FARMING DISCOVERY TRUST

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For the year ended 31 December 2021

9 Analysis of Net Assets between funds

Fund balances at 31 December 2021 are represented by:

	Unrestricted Reserve £	Total Funds £
Current assets	43,948	43,948
Current liabilities	<u>(8,495)</u>	<u>(8,495)</u>
Balance at 31 December 2020	<u>35,453</u>	<u>35,453</u>

Fund balances at 31 December 2020 are represented by:

	Unrestricted Reserve £	Total Funds £
Current assets	10,203	10,203
Current liabilities	<u>(5,397)</u>	<u>(5,397)</u>
Balance at 31 December 2019	<u>4,806</u>	<u>4,806</u>

10 Commitments

There were no material commitments at 31 December 2021 which are not provided for in the financial statements (2020: £Nil).

11 Related Parties

The Royal Norfolk Agricultural Association (RNAA) is a related party as C S J Scott and Dr C M Richards are Trustees of the RNAA and M A Nicholas was the Managing Director. During the year the RNAA donated to the Trust by way of writing off a loan balance amounting to £6,570 (2020: £Nil) and incurred website build costs on behalf of the trust of £20,000 (2020: £Nil). The RNAA operates as an agent and operates a bank account on behalf of the Trust. At 31 December 2021 the Trust was owed from the RNAA £43,708 (2020: £9,852).

Builders Equipment Limited, whose ultimate parent undertaking is RG Carter Holdings Limited a company controlled by R G Carter, has made available a trailer to be used for educational activities with unlimited use.

There are no other related party transactions to disclose.

12 Contingent Liabilities

There were no contingent liabilities at 31 December 2021 (2020: £Nil).

FOOD AND FARMING DISCOVERY TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1176121

Accounts

**FOOD AND FARMING DISCOVERY TRUST
(A CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION)**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

COMPANY NUMBER: CE012563
CHARITY NUMBER: 1176121

**FOOD AND FARMING DISCOVERY TRUST
(A CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION)**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Charity Registration No. 1176121

Company No. CE012563

Registered Address Norfolk Showground
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Trustees Robert George Russell Carter
Gregory Stephen Smith
Steffan Daniel Anderson Griffiths (Chairman)
Ben Burgess Turner
Jane Phillips (resigned 31 December 2019)
Catherine Susanne Judith Scott
Poul Jorgen Hovesen
Mark Alexander Nicholas (appointed 25th March 2021)

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020**

The Trustees present their report and financial statements of the charitable organisation for the year ended 31st December 2020.

The Trustees confirm that the Annual Report and financial statements of the charity comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the charity's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP), applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)

1. Reference and Administrative Information

The Food and Farming Discovery Trust ("the Trust") is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation and a registered charity.

The Trust was constituted on 6th December 2017 in England and immediately commenced activities. The Trustees are listed on Page 1.

2. Objectives

The principal objective of the Trust is to advance the education of the public in Norfolk, in particular the education of children of school age, in food production, farming and countryside education, in such ways as the Trustees may from time to time determine, ensuring the education is presented in a neutral and balanced manner.

3. Strategy adopted by the Trustees to implement the objectives

Despite the restrictions during the year, the Trust's strategy remains to be:

- Visiting schools to educate about Farming in Norfolk and the best way to incorporate farming into the curriculum.
- Seeking to work more closely with schools in Norfolk.
- Providing educational content for events held by the Royal Norfolk Agricultural Association.

Public benefit

The Trustees have had due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance to public benefit. The main activities undertaken to further the charity's purposes for the public benefit are, through the provision of advice to further assist in the education of food and farming in Norfolk.

4. Risk Management

The Trustees have the overall responsibility for ensuring that the charity has an appropriate system of controls, financial and otherwise. The systems of financial control are designed to provide assurance against material misstatement or loss. They include:

- Regular meetings of the Trustees at which the financial health of the charitable company is reported and discussed.

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- Written policy as to the management of the charitable Company's funds by third parties.
- Financial procedures to ensure the proper disbursement of monies owing by the charitable Company.

The Trustees have reviewed major risks and established systems together with appropriate monitoring procedures to mitigate them. The key risk controls used include:

- Formal agendas and minutes for all Committees and Board activity.
- Comprehensive strategic planning, budgeting and management accounting.
- Established organisational structure and lines of reporting.
- Clear authorisation and approval levels.

5. Achievements and performance

a. Review of activities

As a result of the global pandemic caused by the novel Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) several of the Trust's activities had to be curtailed.

However, prior to the national lockdown in March 2020 the Trust held a Science of Farming day at the Norfolk Showground where over 400 year 5 students attended.

A significant activity that the Trust was involved in was providing the educational content for the Norfolk Spring Fling and advising on the Discovery Zone at the Royal Norfolk Show. Unfortunately, these events were cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The second year of the Learn About Livestock project, which enables livestock (a lamb and a ewe) to be taken into primary schools in specially constructed pens for a week for educational purposes, also had to be cancelled. The primary objectives of Learn About Livestock were to inform youngsters about farming and its practices and to offer what for many children would be their first real, hands-on experience of getting up close to real farm animals, and to play a part in being responsible for those animals in a controlled environment. The project will return in 2022.

The Conscious Consumers project was established during the year as a means to provide educational content to schools. It established modules in food miles, personalised nutrition and plant-based diets. Originally conceived as a project to be delivered in schools, it moved to an online set of resources as a result of the national lockdown and has developed in this format. Resources are carried on a number of nationally available platforms (eg. LEAF's Countryside Classrooms portal, British Science Association's Science Week packs (c 20.5K packs pa)) and are developing an exciting profile. There was a competition to provide an education film, which was established as part of the virtual Norwich Science Festival, and there are plans to add further modules (eg food waste) under the Conscious Consumers banner.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

Throughout the period of the pandemic the Trustees and advisory group have developed further the proposition of the Trust via a blended model of real life and online projects. This has resulted in an agreed strategy to move forward, articulated in the Vision for the East document, and to focus on sustainable activity in 2021 and beyond.

b. Going concern

In the early part of 2020, the Trustees had to consider the potential impact of the global pandemic caused by the novel Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) on its activities, its finances and the ability to deliver its charitable objectives. The Trustees judge the organisation to be a going concern.

5. Review of Finances

At the end of the year the Trust made a surplus of £13,195 (2019: a deficit of £12,903). The closing funds at the year end was £4,806 (2019: deficit of £8,389).

The charity is aware of its responsibilities for implementing a reserves policy. The unrestricted reserves are held to support administration and overhead costs. The intention is that this should be grown and maintained in surplus. Such unrestricted income is expendable at the discretion of the Trustees in the furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

During the year, the trust received grant funding from the Chadacre Agricultural Trust, John Innes Foundation and the Morley Agricultural Foundation.

6. Structure, Governance and Management

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The management of the charity is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected under the terms of the governing document.

In selecting individuals for appointment as Trustees, the charity Trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the Trust.

On behalf of the board of Trustees

Steffan Griffiths

Steffan Griffiths (Sep 14, 2021, 8:56am)
SDA Griffiths



Greg Smith (Sep 14, 2021, 10:49am)

GS Smith

Date: 14 Sep 2021

14 Sep 2021

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Food and Farming Discovery Trust**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2020 which are set out on pages 6 to 11.

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').

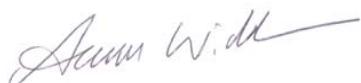
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Aaron Widdows ACA FCCA

On behalf of
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Date: 17th September 2021

FOOD AND FARMING DISCOVERY TRUST

Statement of Financial Activities (incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account)

For the year ended 31 December 2020

	Note	2020	2019	
		Unrestricted £	Total £	Total £
Income from:				
Donations and Legacies	2	40,250	40,250	19,400
Income from Charitable Activities	3	-	-	10,260
Total Income		<u>40,250</u>	<u>40,250</u>	<u>29,660</u>
Expenditure on Charitable Activities				
Other Charitable Expenditure	4	27,055	27,055	42,563
Total Expenditure		<u>27,055</u>	<u>27,055</u>	<u>42,563</u>
Net surplus/(deficit) on operating activities		13,195	13,195	(12,903)
Net movement in funds		<u>13,195</u>	<u>13,195</u>	<u>(12,903)</u>
Reconciliation of funds				
Funds brought forward		(8,389)	(8,389)	4,514
Total funds/(deficit) carried forward		<u>4,806</u>	<u>4,806</u>	<u>(8,389)</u>

FOOD AND FARMING DISCOVERY TRUST

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2020

	Note	2020		2019	
		£	£	£	£
Current assets					
Debtors	8	<u>10,203</u>		<u>696</u>	
Total current assets		<u>10,203</u>		<u>696</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>5,397</u>		<u>9,085</u>	
Net assets less current liabilities			4,806		(8,389)
Net Assets/(Liabilities)			<u>4,806</u>		<u>(8,389)</u>
Represented by the funds of the charity:					
Unrestricted Funds:					
Unrestricted reserves	10		<u>4,806</u>		<u>(8,389)</u>
Total Funds			<u>4,806</u>		<u>(8,389)</u>

The financial statements were approved by the board of trustees on 14 September 2021

Signed on behalf of the board of trustees

Steffan Griffiths
SDA Griffiths
Steffan Griffiths (Sep 14, 2021, 8:56am)


Greg Smith (Sep 14, 2021, 10:49am)
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FOOD AND FARMING DISCOVERY TRUST

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2020

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The financial statements are presented in sterling and rounded to the nearest pound.

The Food and Farming Discovery Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

These financial statements have been prepared under the going concern basis of accounting. The global pandemic COVID-19 resulted in a national lockdown during the year in the UK. The Trustees have taken appropriate action to change the focus of its activities to a virtual platform. With known funding subsequent to the year end, the Trustees believe the Trust will continue in operation for at least 12 months from the date of approval of these Financial Statements.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainties

There are no estimates of a material amount applied in the preparation of these statements.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due. Accrued income and tax recoverable is included at the best estimate of the amounts receivable at the balance sheet date.

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Income

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

2 Donations and Legacies

Donations

All income is unrestricted.

	2020 Total £	2019 Total £
	40,250	19,400
	<u>40,250</u>	<u>19,400</u>

FOOD AND FARMING DISCOVERY TRUST

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2020

3 Income from Charitable Activities	2020	2019
	£	£
Income from School Events	-	2,260
Other Educational Activities	-	8,000
	<u>-</u>	<u>10,260</u>

All income is unrestricted.

4 Analysis Of Other Charitable Expenditure	Direct	Support	Total
	Costs	Costs	2020
	£	£	£
Event Costs & Resources	19,900	-	19,900
Travel & Subsistence	183	-	183
Accountancy	-	1,500	1,500
Website Development	-	345	345
Insurance	-	555	555
Trailer Project	3,839	-	3,839
Subscriptions	-	633	633
Bank charges	-	100	100
	<u>23,922</u>	<u>3,133</u>	<u>27,055</u>

All expenditure is unrestricted.

	Direct	Support	Total
	Costs	Costs	2019
	£	£	£
Salaries	27,889	-	27,889
Pension Costs	1,773	-	1,773
Event Costs & Resources	3,988	-	3,988
Travel Expenses	233	-	233
Accountancy	-	2,010	2,010
Website Development	-	87	87
Printing	373	-	373
Insurance	-	463	463
Prizes RNS Countryside Challenge	450	-	450
Trailer Project	3,610	-	3,610
Subscriptions	-	550	550
Bank charges	-	25	25
Management Charges	-	1,112	1,112
	<u>38,316</u>	<u>4,247</u>	<u>42,563</u>

All expenditure is unrestricted.

5 Governance Costs	2020	2019
	£	£
Management Charges	-	1,112
Independent Examination Fee	1,500	2,010
	<u>1,500</u>	<u>3,122</u>

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6 Trustee Remuneration

No remuneration nor expenses were paid during the period to the Trustees (2019: £Nil).

7 Staff Costs

Staff costs were as follows :

	2020 £	2019 £
Wages and Salaries	-	25,434
Social Security Costs	-	2,455
Other Pension Costs	-	1,773
	<u>-</u>	<u>29,662</u>

The average number of persons employed by the charity during the year was as follows:

	2020 No.	2019 No.
	<u>-</u>	<u>1</u>

No employee received remuneration amounting to more than £60,000 in the period (2019: Nil).

The total remuneration of trustee and key management personnel in the period amounted to £Nil (2019: £Nil).

8 Debtors

	2020 £	2019 £
Other Debtors	9,852	-
Prepayments and Accrued Income	351	696
	<u>10,203</u>	<u>696</u>

9 Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2020 £	2019 £
Trade Creditors	660	-
Other Creditors	-	7,705
Accruals	4,737	1,380
	<u>5,397</u>	<u>9,085</u>

10 Total Funds Summary

	Unrestricted Reserve £	Total 2020 £
Balance at 1 January 2020	(8,389)	(8,389)
Incoming resources	40,250	40,250
Resources expended	(27,055)	(27,055)
Balance at 31 December 2020	<u>4,806</u>	<u>4,806</u>
	Unrestricted Reserve £	Total 2019 £
Balance at 1 January 2019	4,514	4,514
Incoming resources	29,660	29,660
Resources expended	(42,563)	(42,563)
Balance at 31 December 2019	<u>(8,389)</u>	<u>(8,389)</u>

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11 Analysis of Net Assets between funds

Fund balances at 31 December 2020 are represented by:

	Unrestricted Reserve £	Total Funds £
Current assets	10,203	10,203
Current liabilities	(5,397)	(5,397)
Balance at 31 December 2020	<u>4,806</u>	<u>4,806</u>

Fund balances at 31 December 2019 are represented by:

	Unrestricted Reserve £	Total Funds £
Current assets	696	696
Current liabilities	(9,085)	(9,085)
Balance at 31 December 2019	<u>(8,389)</u>	<u>(8,389)</u>

12 Commitments

There were no material commitments at 31 December 2020 which are not provided for in the financial statements (2019: £Nil).

13 Related Parties

The Royal Norfolk Agricultural Association (RNAA) is a related party as C S J Scott and S D A Griffiths (Trustees of RNAA) and G S Smith (Chief Executive of RNAA until 31st December 2020) are Trustees. During the year the RNAA commissioned activity from FFDT amounting to £Nil (2019: £8,000) and secretarial support was also given to FFDT during the year and amounting to £Nil (2019: £927). Recharged salary costs were also made totalling £Nil (2019: £27,472) and other expenses during the year recharged totalling £420 (2019:£Nil).

RNAA also acted as an agent on behalf of FFDT during the financial year, with income being received totalling £40,250 and expenditure being incurred totalling £22,273, through a designated bank account.

At 31st December 2020 a cash balance was held by RNAA on behalf of FFDT of £22,422 (2019: £4,445). At 31st December 2020 FFDT owed the RNAA a balance of £12,570 (2019: £12,150). At the year end a balance of £9,852 is included within Other Debtors (2019: £7,705 - Other Creditors) of FFDT.

Builders Equipment Limited, whose ultimate parent undertaking is RG Carter Holdings Limited a company controlled by R G Carter, has made available a trailer to be used for educational activities with unlimited use.

There are no other related party transactions to disclose.

14 Contingent Liabilities

There were no contingent liabilities at 31 December 2020 (2019: £Nil).

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Income and Expenditure Account (Management Information Only)

For the year ended 31 December 2020

	2020		2019	
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Charitable Donations		40,250		11,900
Donations for Trailer Modifications		-		7,500
Events - School Income		-		2,260
Commissioned Activity		-		8,000
Total Incoming Resources		40,250		29,660
Management and Administration Expenses				
Salaries	-		27,889	
Pension Costs	-		1,773	
Event Costs & Resources	19,900		3,988	
Travel & Subsistence	183		233	
Website Development	345		87	
Printing	-		373	
Insurance	555		463	
Subscriptions	633		550	
Prizes RNS Countryside Challenge	-		450	
Trailer Alterations	3,839		3,610	
Bank Charges	100		25	
Accountants Fees	1,500		2,010	
Management Charges	-		1,112	
		(27,055)		(42,563)
Net surplus/(deficit) for the year		13,195		(12,903)