

THE ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS
CEREDIGION BRANCH

CHARITY № 223675

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 223675

PRINCIPAL ADDRESS: Penwaun
St Dogmael's
SA38 9HQ

TRUSTEES: Ms J Evans (Chair)
Ms R Jones (Treasurer)
Mrs B Davies (Secretary)
Mrs P Lowe
Mrs J Davies
Miss B Clements
Ms G Sollis

BANKERS: Lloyds Bank, 14 High Street, Cardigan, SA43 1JW

ACCOUNTANTS: Kyffin & Co.
Chartered Certified Accountants
The Old Convent
Llanbadarn Road
Aberystwyth
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SY23 1WX

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1. Structure, governance and management

The Ceredigion Branch is constituted as an unincorporated association. It operates as an autonomous branch of the national RSPCA and is subject to its rules for Branches. A committee of Trustees is elected at the AGM to govern the Branch. The Trustees hold bi-monthly meetings and are responsible for reviewing operational and financial procedures according to the Charity Commission guidance.

2. Objectives and principal activities

The purpose of the Branch is to promote the work and objects of the national RSPCA with particular reference to Ceredigion.

The Trustees have reviewed this work and outcomes during 2021 to ensure that they remain focused on the charity's aims and continue to deliver benefits to the public.

3. Achievements and performance

RSPCA Ceredigion Branch has continued work during 2021 while observing guidelines and while the Society is undergoing drastic restructuring. Covid restrictions applied and has virtually wiped out street and store collections and made rescuing and re-homing cats even more challenging. However, with the help of our wonderful Trustees and volunteers, we have achieved the following:

- Found homes for 54 cats
- 2 cats found homes directly from our internet page
- Continued the subsidised dog neutering scheme with Priory Vets (Cardigan) and John Downes vets (Aberystwyth)
- Maintained a help line answering more than 62 calls
- Neutered and microchipped more than 10 dogs, 9 cats and 1 rabbit
- Covid restrictions applied but we raised £2794.79 through street collections and random donations
- Publicised animal welfare issues and local news on *catsceredigion facebook*
- Continued reduced trap, neuter & return assistance
- Provided financial help with rabbit neutering, vaccinations and microchipping with Priory and Downes vets
- Donated to the Australia Wildlife Fund
- Assisted local Inspector by taking abandoned cats

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- Sally Learoyd continued to liaise with the Wales Board as Branch representative
- Circulated 2 updates to members about ongoing work
- Continued to monitor the local puppy breeding situation via planning applications and work with RSPCA on improvements
- 4. **Branch volunteers**

Thanks are due to the following who have worked hard this year to help the Branch continue to look after animals and function:

- Janet Copeland – cat publicity photos and facebook
- Christine Davidson – trapping and home checks
- Jo Hutchings – facebook and publicity
- Rachel Jones – fosterer
- Steve Woods – street and store collections
- Colin Kendall – fosterer with Jane
- 5. **Financial Review**

These have been agreed by our Accountants Kyffin & Co. and are attached.

Items of interest: Accountant £948; Insurance £524; VAT reclaimed £2206; HMRC Gift Aid refunds £692

The reserve policy is to maintain free reserves equal to one year's unstructured expenditure.

The investment policy also remains unchanged with the fixed rate bond earning 1.5% interest and maturing in April 2022.

6. **Future plans**

We plan to continue the current animal welfare work; promote animal welfare; extend the subsidised dog neutering schemes with more vets in Ceredigion and look for more Trustees.

Signed.....

J Evans – Chair

Date.....

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Rachel Jones – Treasurer

Date.....

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF:
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We report on the Accounts of the Society for the year ended 31 December 2021, which are set out on pages 5 to 6.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITY OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

As the Charity's Trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the Accounts. You consider that an Audit is not required under of Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act), and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to examine the Accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act, to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given of the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act and to state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and comparison of the Accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the Accounts, and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an Audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the Account present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to these matters set out in the statement below.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

In connection with the examination, no matter has come to our attention:

1. Which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect, the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act, and to prepare Accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with accounting requirements of the 2011 Act.

Have not been met; or

2. To which in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the Accounts to be reached.

16/08/2022
Date

Kyffin & Co
Chartered Certified Accountants
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RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	<i>Unrestricted Funds 2021</i>		<i>Unrestricted Funds 2020</i>	
	£	£	£	£
<i>Receipts:</i>				
Subscriptions, Donations & Fund Raising	32,300		33,020	
Bank & Investment Interest	506		509	
VAT Reclaimed	2,206		2,872	
HMRC: Gift Aid Refunds	692		64	
	-----	35,704	-----	36,465
<i>Payments:</i>				
Payment to Headquarters	6,000		-	
Contributions to All Wales Emergency Boarding Fund			6,333	
Veterinary Fees (Including purchase of Horse Weighing Platform)	22,096		24,450	
Fostering, Food & Expenses re: Rescued Animals	20,191		10,699	
Expenditure on Cat Housing	704		8,210	
Electricity	293		-	
Postage, Stationery, Photocopying, Telephone & Travel Expenses	269		661	
Insurance	524		532	
Accountancy & Book Keeping	948		900	
Advertising & Sponsorship	276		379	
Miscellaneous Expenses (including Hire of Hall)	55		-	
Bank Charges	-		15	
	-----	(51,356)	-----	(52,179)
OPERATING DEFICIT FOR THE YEAR		(15,652)		(15,714)
Old Outstanding Cheques From Previous Years Not Added Back		5,216		-
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		(10,436)		(15,714)
Increase in Investments		(478)		(474)
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		(10,914)		(16,188)
Cash Funds at Beginning of Year		28,884		45,072
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Cash Funds at End of Year		£ 17,970		£ 28,884
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STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	<i>Unrestricted Funds 2021</i>		<i>Unrestricted Funds 2020</i>	
	£	£	£	£
CASH FUNDS				
Balance at Bank - Lloyds Current Account	4,542		2,484	
Balance at Bank - Scottish Widows Bank Charities				
7 Day Account	13,419		26,391	
Cash in Hand	9		9	
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		£ 17,970		£ 28,884
		=====		=====
INVESTMENT ASSETS				
Investment Bonds - Julian Hodge Bank		£ 32,318		£ 31,840
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LIABILITIES				
Accrued Expenses		£ 325		£ 325
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Approved by the Committee of the RSPCA - Ceredigion Branch

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Ms J Evans - Chair

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Ms R Jones - Treasurer

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Date