



THE ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

CEREDIGION BRANCH REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 223675

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2023

Principal Address Penwaun, St Dogmaels, SA43 3L

Trustees Janet Thomas (Chair), Rachel Jones (Treasurer)
Beth Davies (Membership Secretary)
Bev Clements, Jane Davies, Pennie Lowe, Gaynor Sollis

Accountants PJE Accountants and Advisors
The Old Convent, Llanbadarn Road, Aberystwyth, SY23 1WX

Bankers Lloyds Bank, 14 High Street, Cardigan, SA43 1JW

Structure, Governance and Management

The Ceredigion Branch is constituted as an unincorporated association. It operates as an independent Charity, 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 are responsible for reviewing operational and financial procedures according to the Charity Commission guidance

Objectives and Principal Activities

RSPCA Ceredigion supports the work and objectives of the national Society, and aims to promote animal welfare and to prevent cruelty to animals. The Trustees review their achievements annually to ensure that they meet their charitable aims and continue to deliver benefits to the public.

Achievements and Performance

During 2023, the Branch achieved the following:-

- Added 2 large additional cat pens at a new location
- Rehomed over 160 cats and kittens, all neutered, microchipped and vaccinated.
- Maintained a help line answering daily calls
- Raised over £4550 through donations, tabletop sales and rehoming fees
- Continued the subsidised cat neutering scheme as part of the partnership with the Cats Protection League. A total of over 300 cats were neutered, including feral cats
- Provided financial support to pet owners on low incomes /benefits by subsidising the cost of veterinary treatment
- Worked with the National Society Inspectorate, Animal Centres and Wales Board

Branch Volunteers

We are immensely grateful to all those who help us to achieve this work, especially our registered volunteers: Juliet Brookman, Kerry Chamblor, Janet Copeland, Christine Davidson, Jo Hutchings, Colin Kendall, Lavinia Mitten

Financial Review

The accounts have been agreed by PJE Accountants and Advisors, and are attached. We would like to thank Debora James who continues to act as our book keeper for her work. The reserve policy is to maintain 18 months expenditure and the investment policy remains unchanged. Of note in 2023, the branch moved some reserves into interest paying bonds.

Future Plans

We plan to continue our current animal work, to promote animal welfare and to prevent animal cruelty, and to support the RSPCA aims and objectives. In 2024, the branch expects to become a Charitable Incorporated Organisation in line with RSPCA guidance and will also celebrate the two hundredth year anniversary of the Society.

Signed Janet Thomas, Chair

4/3/2024

Unaudited Financial Statements

Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
Ceredigion Branch
For the year ended 31 December 2023

Prepared by PJE Accountants & Advisors

Report of the Trustees

Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Ceredigion Branch For the year ended 31 December 2023

Registered Charity Number:

223675

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Accountants

PJE Accountants & Advisors
23 College Street
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Committee Approval

Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Ceredigion Branch For the year ended 31 December 2023

I approve the financial information which comprises the Profit and Loss account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes. I acknowledge my responsibility for the financial information, including the appropriateness of the applicable financial reporting framework as set out in the notes, and for providing PJE Accountants & Advisors with all information and explanations necessary for their compilation.

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Janet Thomas - Chair

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Beth Davies - Membership Secretary

Date 2/3/2024

Independent Examiner's Report

Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Ceredigion Branch For the year ended 31 December 2023

We report on the Accounts of the Society for the year ended 31 December 2023, which are set out on pages 6 to 7.

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.

PJE Accountants & Advisors

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Receipts & Payments Account

Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Ceredigion Branch
For the year ended 31 December 2023

	2023	2022
Turnover		
Receipts		
Subscriptions, Donations & Fund Raising	11,805	350,190
Grants and Subsidies	24,094	23,218
Bank & Investment Interest	2,915	526
HMRC: Gift Aid Refunds	1,531	795
VAT Refunds	2,016	2,809
Total Turnover	42,361	377,538
Gross Surplus	42,361	377,538
Overheads		
Payment to Headquarters	110	110
Veterinary Fees	13,616	18,097
Fostering, Food & Expenses Re: Rescued Animals	24,582	18,903
Expenditure on Cat Housing	15,543	-
Electricity	400	581
Printing, Postage, Stationery & Telephone	389	376
Insurance	629	524
Subscriptions	35	-
Accountancy Fees & Book Keeping	1,340	1,159
Advertising and Sponsorship	180	216
Sundry expenses	953	545
Total Overheads	57,777	40,511
Operating Surplus/ (Deficit) for the year	(15,416)	337,027
Other Adjustments		
Cash funds Adjustments	(2,181)	(9)
Movement in Investments	(172,915)	32,317
Total Other Adjustments	(175,095)	32,308
Cash Funds in Year	(190,511)	369,335

Cash Funds

	2023	2022
Cash Funds at Beginning of Year	387,305	17,970
Cash Funds in Year	(190,511)	369,335

Cash Funds at End of Year

196,794

387,305

Statement of Assets & Liabilities

Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Ceredigion Branch
For the year ended 31 December 2023

	2023	2022
1. Cash Funds		
Lloyds Current Account	186,333	376,844
Scottish Widows Bank Charities	10,461	10,461
Total Cash Funds	196,794	387,305
	2023	2022
2. Investment Assets		
Charity Bank Account	86,136	-
United Trust Bank	86,779	-
Total Investment Assets	172,915	-
	2023	2022
3. Liabilities		
Accruals	(350)	(325)
Total Liabilities	(350)	(325)