RSPCA Llys Nini Carmarthenshire to Cardiff – Sir Gâr i Gaerdydd

England & Wales · Charity number 224337

Details

Other names	ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS LLYS NINI BRANCH SERVING MID AND WEST GLAMORGAN, ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARDIFF TO SWANSEA, RSPCA GLAMORGAN - SWANSEA, NEATH AND PORT TALBOT BRANCH, RSPCA GLAMORGAN - WEST AND SWANSEA BRANCH, RSPCA LLYS NINI BRANCH SERVING MID & WEST GLAMORGAN, RSPCA SWANSEA, NEATH & PORT TALBOT BRANCH, RSPCA LLYS NINI, RSPCA LLYS NINI BRANCH SERVING MID AND WEST GLAMORGAN
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1963-08-21
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE BRANCH ARE TO PROMOTE THE WORK AND OBJECTS OF THE SOCIETY [ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS (219099)], WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO THE AREA OF THE BRANCH, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICIES OF THE SOCIETY.

Activities: Animal Welfare and Environmental

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Classification

- **How:** Provides Other Finance, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, Animals, Environment/conservation/heritage, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** SWANSEA AND WEST GLAMORGAN.
- Bridgend
- Cardiff
- Carmarthenshire
- City Of Swansea
- Neath Port Talbot
- Rhondda Cynon Taff
- Vale Of Glamorgan

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£2,857,743	£2,268,021	£7,009,872	67
2023-12-31	£2,572,084	£1,904,742	£6,301,968	63
2022-12-31	£2,680,311	£1,756,495	£5,486,752	56
2021-12-31	£1,646,417	£1,368,919	£4,666,739	49
2020-12-31	£1,977,570	£1,399,606	£4,335,566	48

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Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Peter Black	Chair	2025-06-12
Christopher Stokes		2025-07-28
Claire Chappell		2025-06-12
Jane Clement		2025-06-12
Ralph Christopher Bettany		2025-10-08
Rebecca Miles Harpwood		2025-06-12
Stephanie Lynch		2026-04-20
Victoria Holland		2025-06-12

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TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS , LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARMARTHENSHIRE TO CARDIFF

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TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)".

Objectives and activities

The RSPCA Llys Nini Branch is an unincorporated charitable association and a separately registered branch of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (the Society), carrying out its direct animal welfare work in the unitary authorities of Swansea, Neath Port Talbot, Bridgend, some areas within Rhondda Cynon Taf, Powys, Carmarthenshire and Cardiff. However, when able, it takes in animals from the whole of South and West Wales.

The objects of the Branch are to promote the work and objects of the Society - to promote kindness and to prevent or suppress cruelty to animals by all lawful means - with particular reference to the area of the Branch, in accordance with the policies of the Society.

The aim of the branch is to provide a committed welfare service to both domestic and wildlife animals in the South Wales area – to rescue, rehabilitate and rehome as many animals that need our assistance following neglect, mistreatment or who are unwanted in the home. We endeavour to promote responsibility for animals and environment through the education of children via school visits.

In order to meet its aims and objectives, the branch operates from a 78-acre farmland on the outskirts of Swansea, with facilities to provide the care for animals brought into the centre. The capacity of the centre is 57 dogs and 102 cats, 100 miscellaneous animals plus pups and kittens at any one time. The facilities allow the animals to be provided with the peace and tranquillity they often require as they go through rehabilitation. The branch works closely with the local RSPCA inspectorates providing the support and space for them to provide their services. The branch also works closely with St James Veterinary Group to provide its veterinary services for the branch animals and also works with a number of volunteers to help with the animals at the Centre, in the shops and out on the site, providing much needed hands-on experience and assistance.

Meeting the public benefit reporting requirement of the Charities Act

The trustees have reviewed the outcomes and achievements of the objectives and activities for the year, to ensure they remain focused on the charitable aims, and continue to deliver benefits to the public. In deciding what activities the Branch should undertake, the trustees have complied with the duty under the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Commission.

Under the Charities Act 2011, the advancement of animal welfare is recognised as a distinct statutory charitable purpose. This legislation and the Animal Welfare Act 2006 indicate an acceptance by society that treating living creatures with compassion has a moral benefit for the public as a whole. Whilst this public benefit is clear, it is sometimes difficult to quantify and must be balanced against any detriment.

The Branch's animal welfare work, although local in nature, benefits society at large, and also aims to help people in need with the care of their animals. All the charitable activities, as described in more detail in the following pages of this report, focus on promoting kindness and preventing or suppressing cruelty to animals and are undertaken to further these purposes for the public benefit.

The opportunity for free use of the Llys Nini site to the local and wider community, and our partnership working with other agencies in the delivery of educational opportunities and volunteering and training for people at risk of social exclusion, in addition to our environmental work, demonstrates our commitment to being a holistic charity. We recognise that animals can also have a positive effect on people's wellbeing and offer the socialisation of humans with the animals.

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As an active RSPCA Branch, we support our local Inspectors by taking in mistreated or abandoned animals, including pets whose owners suffer ill health, have financial difficulties or pass away.

The Branch provides subsidised veterinary treatment for animals which are sick or injured and who belong to branch area people on low incomes through a voucher scheme. During 2024, special assistance was provided to low income owners of the XL bullies with neutering in conjunction with the Wales Board and the Society. Sadly, the subsidised neutering and micro-chipping of cats provided for those in the Branch area on low incomes ceased in March 2024 due to the suspension of the scheme by Cats' Protection.

Animals in our care receive veterinary treatment, vaccination, neutering, micro-chipping and are assessed for re-homing. This work helps to control the spread of disease and suffering.

The Branch re-homes animals in need to people willing and able to have a companion animal. Whilst we recognise that companion animals provide measurable benefits to people's physical and mental health, we consider the provision of pets as subsidiary to the main charitable aim of this service, which is to reduce animal suffering. Our policy to charge a reasonable adoption fee for animals aims to highlight the on-going personal and financial commitment of pet ownership. It would not be in the best interests of animals, and therefore would fall outside our objects, to re-home to those who could not afford them.

The Branch also provides, free of charge, advertising of lost and found animals and, through our Facebook, Instagram and X accounts, takes steps to reunite them with owners. This work benefits our local community (including local authorities) by preventing animals straying and posing a risk to themselves and to people through road traffic accidents.

The Branch responds to enquiries from the public about animals locally.

The public benefits from knowing that we can intervene to assist animals in need; offer free animal care advice on the phone and on our website; and promotion of responsible pet ownership.

We provide volunteering and training opportunities for those who wish to support our work, which benefits local people and companies by providing the possibility of doing work which is compassionate and rewarding in addition to learning new skills.

We recycle and reuse hundreds of kilos of unwanted textiles and other materials that would otherwise go to landfill. We provide good quality low cost clothing and household items to the public through our shops and also provide, free of charge, essential clothes and when available other items to rough sleepers and homeless people through the appropriate agencies.

Achievements and performance

2024 continued to be another challenging year in all sorts of ways. Our charity shops performances are mixed – the shops dealt with increasing utility costs, increased overall costs, increased wages due to the legislated increases in Minimum Living Wage levels, the rag prices plummeted and the demise of the shoppers visiting the high streets. The number of volunteers at both the shops and at the Centre are still below the levels we would like to see.

The Animal Centre continued to be busy – the intake of animals increased, and we worked closely with the Inspectorate and Trading Standards, boarding several case animals for long periods of time. At the start of the year, we held 117 animals and by the year end, we had 89 animals in our care.

In 2024, Llys Nini accepted 416 (2023: 409) animals into the centre, most of whom had been rescued by RSPCA inspectors and were in poor health. Our dedicated staff nursed the majority of them back to health and had re-homed 399 of them (2023: 378). Llys Nini continues to provide welfare assistance throughout the branch area via a voucher scheme. In 2024, in addition to the branch animals taken in, Llys Nini helped 24 dogs, 13 cats and 1 miscellaneous animal by means of welfare assistance, 1,304 animals were neutered, 195 were microchipped.

It is the branch's policy that no healthy and "re-homeable" animal should be euthanised.

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The branch works with local organisations such as Missing Dogs Team Wales and Lost and Found Cats South Wales – Gwent Cats Protection to operate a lost and found animal service.

The St James Veterinary Clinic on our site continues to be a huge help to the branch, cutting down on costs and has been much better for the wellbeing of the animals needing the Vet treatments or check- ups.

The Conservation area continues to thrive with continued regular sightings of ducks, kingfishers, heron, bats, foxes and owls visiting our site. We ensure that we take action to manage the site for biodiversity with a documented strategic plan for maintaining the habitats on site.

The paths and boardwalks are continually being maintained so that people can come and enjoy the green spaces. The Safeguarding Officer has also continued working with people with disabilities, helping them to contribute to the development of the site and the wildlife. The site has also been awarded a Community Green Flag Award for a ninth year. Our bird hide is a good place to view the wildlife on the pond.

During 2023, there was much building work undertaken on site. The Centre has now benefitted from the covered exercise barn which was much needed and is now enjoyed by staff and animals alike. It is an useful space for training, socialising and for prospective adopters to meet and socialising with their chosen dog. The public all weather run has also been completed in the year, providing a secure run for all animals to exercise safely and securely via a pre booking scheme. The project was primarily aimed at the XL bully type dogs, but the run is now regularly booked for all different breed types of dogs.

The Ysgubor project is a popular venue, hosting a café, a popular activity area for a variety of events, a classroom, a donation processing area, all of which is helping us to increase the revenue streams, develop our animal welfare activities, raising our footfall at the centre and its profile, whilst helping the community and helping protect the environment. All the "profits" from the ventures are ploughed back into the charity to further our objectives.

The merger with the RSPCA Carmarthenshire branch took place on the 31 May 2024. By pooling the resources, experience, knowledge and commitment, we are now able to deliver animal welfare over a much greater area. All transferred reserves totalling £351,746.83 are restricted to the use of "Carmarthenshire" Animals welfare and support.

Our fundraising team continue to work tirelessly to raise the much-needed funds and the events held during the year were well supported, the Easter Egg Trails and hunt, DOTY, Summer events, Halloween week, Christmas activities and the Mutt Strutts. They go out on a regular basis to collection days shaking their collection boxes. They continually update and maintain the Facebook, Instagram and X pages to ensure that we have a large number of followers to champion the good work we do. We thank them earnestly for that they do.

At the end of 2024, the Heritage team presented an exhibition of the history of Llys Nini and a celebration of 200 years of the RSPCA, focusing on RSPCA in the branch area. The exhibition and the work, including archiving the branch records, was funded by a Heritage Grant.

The Trustees of RSPCA Llys Nini would like to record their gratitude to all branch staff, volunteers, supporters and partner organisations. The Branch is a voluntary organisation and without this level of mutual support would not be able to function for the benefit of people and animals. At the end of the year/beginning of 2025, we had a number of Trustee resignations – Sally Hyman, Jean Rawlings, Claire Chappel, Rebeca Miles Harpwood and Jane Clements. The remaining Trustees thank all the longstanding trustees for their contribution to the branch over the many years they served, in particular to Sally Hyman who has worked so hard over the past 20 years to bring the Branch to the current position that it is.

Financial review
The Branch's results for the year are set out on the Statement of Financial Activities on page 14.

The Branch has resulted a surplus of £707,904 (2023: surplus £815,216) recorded for the year. The surplus in 2024 and 2023 are due to the large value of grants and legacy income received and recognised in the year.

Income
Donations and gift aid income has increased from the previous year from £138,380 to £142,516.

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Legacy income has decreased on the previous year from £712,347 to £621,384. Legacy income is an unpredictable source of income, but from which the branch has continued to benefit greatly from over the past few years. None of the income is restricted other than to support the work we do with animals within our branch area.

The charity shops are an important part of our fundraising team. During 2024, the Mumbles shop had a refit due to structural changes needed in the shop and needed to be closed for 3 months for the work to be undertaken. There were no closures or new shops during the year. There are always plans to seek alternative premises when they are in the right place and at the right time, but nothing suitable has been found to date. During the year, the support from the public to provide clothes and bric a brac donations has once again been magnificent. Trading has been difficult due to the increasing prices and the increases in wages due to legislative measures.

Money market income has increased due to the increase in interest and improved market conditions.

The movement in unrealised gains/losses (where market value is higher/lower than actual cost of investments) amounted to £118,182 gain (2023: £147,874 gain). The investment market is quite volatile due to the energy crisis and cost of living crisis and general economic events.

During the year, the charity had not disposed of any major assets.

Income generated from other activities included rent from the Veterinary Clinic, Groomers, Beekeepers and Wildflower sites, Swansea Cats and kittens together with the rent for the solar field.

Expenditure
Salaries continue to be the main category of charitable expenditure; £615,416 (2023: £567,193) for the direct caring of animals and the environment; £710,500 (2023: £552,917) for the shop workers and administration of shops and £72,265 (2023: £61,543) for fundraising team. Salaries of the Branch Executive and Finance manager are allocated per proportion of their time covering the areas of the branch activities.

Support costs include charges by HQ to cover the legal & administrative costs relating to the legacy income.

The charity generated an unrestricted surplus (excluding gain on investments) of £305,082 for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Reserves Policy
The Trust maintains restricted, designated and unrestricted reserves. The restricted reserves comprise a number of individual reserves for particular projects, primarily those funded from external restricted purpose grants. These funds are ring-fenced, and no contribution is taken towards operational costs, except where this is allowed by the donor.

The Trust's unrestricted reserve balance is £5,543,322 at the year end. This balance includes £3,186,079 relating to designated funds to be spent on specific projects. The designated funds are shown within note 28 of the accounts and are monitored for changes at monthly Board meetings.

The Trustees have taken the decision to maintain a relatively high level of investments together with a substantial amount in reserves so that the charity can carry out its mission of safeguarding charity funds. The charity has an ethical standpoint and any investments made must be in line with these.

Risk Management
In compliance with the SORP, the major risks to which the Charity is exposed, as identified by Trustees, have been reviewed and systems have been established to manage those risks. These are reviewed at the monthly Board Meetings.

Future Developments
The trustees are committed to provide animal welfare services at Llys Nini and to operate welfare assistance schemes throughout the extended branch area. The Trustees are also assisting with a number of Food Banks within the Branch area to help keep the Animals at their home environment by providing food to those who need the help. This work is undertaken in conjunction with the Aberconwy Branch who organise a large quantity of the pet food. The Trustees who are involved with the Food Banks within the branch area are Rob Davies, Darren Lovering and Tracey Clarke.

In order to maximise income generation, the charity plans to continue to manage its land for biodiversity and to develop a "green" visitors' attraction. These plans will use none of the charity's funds but will rely on money from other sources, including various grants.

The Trustees are committed to the Environmental work on the site and are working with a number of organisations encourage the young people to enjoy the wildlife through events. The Swansea Beekeepers Society also continues to work on site. Celtic Wildflowers is using the Centre as a location in which to grow native wildflower plants and trees, which in itself will be a benefit to the wildlife at the Centre. We continue to look at other organisations to work with to use the land for the benefit of the environment.

Going Concern
The Board continue to maintain a review of the charity's going concern basis. Another year with a net increase in funds alongside a strong cash and net asset position has led to a strengthening the balance sheet position. The Trustees appreciate the various external and internal factors that prove a risk to going concern. Notwithstanding these though, the trustees have assessed that the charity is a going concern and the financial statements have been prepared on that basis.

Structure, governance and management
Governing Document

The organisation is an unincorporated charity, registered with the Charity Commission on 21 August 1963, and operates as an autonomous branch of the RSPCA, subject to its rules for branches (as updated in 2022).

In August 2016 the Trustees obtained an order from the Charity Commission to incorporate the charity trustees as a body incorporate under the power given in section 251 of the Charities Act 2011. This means that all property of the charity is transferred to the incorporated body. Its governing document encompasses the rules adopted on 18 February 2009 as amended on 8 April 2017.

Recruitment and Appointment of Management Committee
The charity is governed by a minimum of 5 to a maximum of 14 elected Trustees, appointed annually by way of a members' ballot, which is held at the Annual General Meeting. All trustees are briefed on their responsibilities as Trustees by the Chair of Trustees and have access to the online Trustee Handbook and RSPCA guidelines together with the appropriate Charity Commission publications. There is no requirement for trustees to retire by rotation.

All trustees are deemed to be "fit and proper persons" and eligible to be trustees of RSPCA Llys Nini.

Organisational Structure
The trustees generally hold monthly meetings at which decisions on policy and practice are made, which may be by face to face meetings or via "Teams". The day-to-day running of the Animal Centre is delegated to the Animal Centre Manager, and the day-to-day running of the shops is delegated to the Area Shop Manager and to the individual shops' managers. The Branch Executive and the Finance Manager are the lead professionals, line managing the middle management team and, with the Chair, managing the running of the branch as a whole.

A register of Trustee interests is maintained at the branch and is available to the public for review.

Pay policy for Key Management Personnel
The Trustees consider that the senior management team, comprised of the key management personnel of the charity, are in charge of directing and controlling, running and operating the branch on a day-to-day basis. All trustees give of their time freely and no trustee received remuneration in the year. Details of trustee expenses, key management personnel and related party transactions are disclosed the accounts.

The pay of the senior staff is reviewed annually and normally increased in accordance with average earnings. In view of the nature of the charity, the trustees' benchmark against pay levels in other charities of a similar size and operating in the same sector. The remuneration is benchmarked using market data which is readily available.

Auditors
The auditor, MHA, previously traded through the legal entity MacIntyre Hudson LLP. In response to regulatory changes, MacIntyre Hudson LLP ceased to hold an audit registration with the engagement transitioning to MHA Audit Services LLP.

MHA will be proposed for reappointment at the forthcoming AGM.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
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Principal Office:	Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Llys Nini - Carmarthenshire to Cardiff
Charity registered number:	224337
Principal Office:	Llys Nini Animal Centre Penllergaer Swansea SA4 9WB
President **Vice Presidents:**	Martin Trainer Joe and Lacey Allen Kevin Johns Peter Black Neville Southhall
Trustees:	Sally Hyman (Chair) (Resigned 28 February 2025) Claire Chappell (Secretary) (Resigned 11 December 2024) Iwan Rees (Resigned 16 June 2025) Alison Spence (Resigned 12 June 2025) Howard Spence (Resigned 12 June 2025) Robert Davies (Resigned 12 June 2025) Jean Rawlings (Resigned 11 December 2024) (Resigned 12 June 2025) Dr Katherine Fender (appointed as Chair 1 January 2025) (Resigned 12 June 2025) Darren Lovering (Co-opted 4 June 2024) (Resigned 12 June 2025) Jane Clement (Co-opted 4 June 2024) (Resigned 7 January 2025) Sarah Stallard (Co-opted 27 August 2024) (Resigned 12 June 2025) Baron Dorian True (Appointed 4 June 2024) (Resigned 12 June 2025) Tracey Clarke (Co-opted 23 July 2024) Peter Black (Chair) (Appointed 12 June 2025) Claire Chappell (Appointed 12 June 2025) Victoria Holland (Appointed 12 June 2025) Jane Clement (Appointed 12 June 2025) Rebecca Miles Harpwood (Resigned 11 December 2024) (Appointed 12 June 2025)
Auditors:	MHA Audit Services LLP MHA House Charter Court Swansea Enterprise Park Swansea SA7 9FS

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Legal advisors:	JCP Solicitors Swansea Enterprise Park Venture Court Waterside Business Park Valley Way Swansea SA6 8AH
Key Management Personnel:	Mr David Stokes – Branch Executive Mrs Claire Phillips – Branch Finance Manager Mr Gary Weeks – Animal Centre Manager Mrs Kim Williams – Area Shop Manager

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

The Trustees 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).

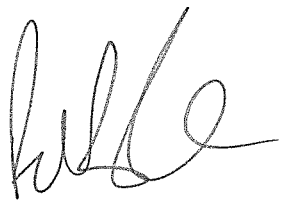
The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that 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 Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the Trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for maintenance and intergrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees on 25 JUNE 2025
and signed on its behalf by:



chair
26/6/2025

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS , LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARMARTHENSHIRE TO CARDIFF

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals , Llys Nini Branch - Carmarthenshire to Cardiff (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 December 2024 which comprise the Statement of financial activities, the Balance sheet, the Statement of cash flows and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 December 2024 and of its incoming resources and application of resources for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the United Kingdom, including the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the Annual report other than the financial statements and our Auditors' report thereon. The Trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the Annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the Trustees' report is inconsistent in any material respect with the financial statements; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Trustees' responsibilities statement, the Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements which give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditor under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an Auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

We obtain and update our understanding of the entity, its activities, its control environment, and likely future developments, including in relation to the legal and regulatory framework applicable and how the entity is complying with that framework. Based on this understanding, we identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. This includes consideration of the risk of acts by the entity that were contrary to applicable laws and regulations, including frauds.

In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations, including fraud, we designed procedures which included:

- Enquiry of management and those charged with governance around actual and potential litigation and claims as well as actual, suspected and alleged fraud;
- Reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance;
- Assessing the extent of compliance with the laws and regulations considered to have a direct material effect on the financial statements or the operations of the entity through enquiry and inspection;
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- Performing audit work over the risk of management bias and override of controls, including testing of journal entries and othe radjustments for appropriateness, evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions outside the normal course of business and reviewing accounting estimates for indicators of potential bias.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involved collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial

Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Auditors' report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 8 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2011. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an Auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and its trustees, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

MHA

Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditor

Swansea

United Kingdom

Date: 25/06/25

MHA are eligible to act as auditors in terms of section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

MHA is the trading name of MHA Audit Services LLP, a limited liability partnership in England and Wales (registered number OC455542)

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Note	Restricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	*Total funds 2023 £*
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	7	**-**	**763,900**	**763,900**	*850,727*
Charitable activities		**31,609**	**337,934**	**369,543**	*533,126*
Other trading activities		**-**	**1,340,356**	**1,340,356**	*1,173,777*
Investments		**-**	**31,736**	**31,736**	*14,454*
Other income	9	**351,746**	**462**	**352,208**	*-*
Total income		**383,355**	**2,474,388**	**2,857,743**	*2,572,084*
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds		**12,633**	**1,200,468**	**1,213,101**	*992,820*
Charitable activities	13	**86,082**	**968,838**	**1,054,920**	*911,922*
Total expenditure		**98,715**	**2,169,306**	**2,268,021**	*1,904,742*
Net income before net gains on investments		**284,640**	**305,082**	**589,722**	*667,342*
Net gains on investments		**-**	**118,182**	**118,182**	*147,874*
Net movement in funds		**284,640**	**423,264**	**707,904**	*815,216*
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		**1,181,910**	**5,120,058**	**6,301,968**	*5,486,752*
Net movement in funds		**284,640**	**423,264**	**707,904**	*815,216*
Total funds carried forward		**1,466,550**	**5,543,322**	**7,009,872**	*6,301,968*

The Statement Of Financial Acitivies includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 17 to 42 form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	23	**2,386,080**	*2,396,685*
Investments		**2,124,034**	*2,005,852*
		4,510,114	*4,402,537*
Current assets			
Stocks	26	**27,512**	*19,122*
Debtors	27	**1,086,492**	*927,049*
Cash at bank and in hand		**1,655,121**	*1,228,563*
		2,769,125	*2,174,734*
Current liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	28	**(269,367)**	*(275,303)*
Net current assets		**2,499,758**	*1,899,431*
Total assets less current liabilities		**7,009,872**	*6,301,968*
Total net assets		**7,009,872**	*6,301,968*
Charity funds			
Restricted funds	31	**1,466,550**	*1,181,910*
Unrestricted funds	31	**5,543,322**	*5,120,058*
Total funds		**7,009,872**	*6,301,968*

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees on 26th June 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

The notes on pages 17 to 42 form part of these financial statements.

Chair
26/6/2025

26/6/2025

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	2024 £	*2023* *£*
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net cash used in operating activities	**506,934**	*884,794*
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	**(100,240)**	*(567,027)*
Purchase of Investments	**(65,236)**	*(58,694)*
Proceeds on sale of investments	**53,364**	*65,873*
Investment income received	**31,736**	*14,454*
Net cash used in investing activities	**(80,376)**	**(545,394)**
Cash flows from financing activities		
Net cash provided by financing activities	**-**	**-**
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year	**426,558**	**339,400**
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	**1,228,563**	*889,163*
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	**1,655,121**	*1,228,563*

The notes on pages 17 to 42 form part of these financial statements

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

1. General information

Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Llys Nini Branch - Carmarthenshire to Cardiff is an unincorporated charity whose principal office is Llys Nini Animal Centre, Penllergaer, Swansea, SA4 9WB.

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statement are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

2.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

2.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectibes.

Designated funds comprise funds which have been set aside at the discretion of the trustees for specific purposes. The purposes and uses of the designated funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by doners as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.4 Incoming resources

All income is included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. Where grants are subject to performance related conditions, they are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities based upon when the performance related conditions have been met, in line with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on reciept or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included in these accounts. Donated goods are recognised at their value when the sale takes place.

Income from charitable trading activities represent fees charged in respect of the adoption and treatment of animals, the provision of boarding facilities and claim fees for recovered pets, these income streams are credited to the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which they are due. Income received in advance is deferred to the appropriate financial year.

Charity shop and other miscellaneous income is recognised in the period when the sale takes place.

Rental and solar farm income is recognised in the period to which the service is provided.

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be meaured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank.

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.5 Resources expended

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 is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to the activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges are allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

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

Costs of raising funds comprise of the costs in relation to generating income such as fundraising activities.

Expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs relating to the furtherance of the charity's objectives as stated in the trustees report.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories in the Statement of Financial Activities on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource. Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly while others are apportioned on an approriate basis, as set out in the support costs note.

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.6 Taxation

The Charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the Charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or 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 charitable purposes.

2.7 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring a tangible fixed asset into its intended working condition are included in the measurement of cost.

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives

Depreciation is provided on the following bases:

Freehold land	- Nil
Buildings	- 2% per annum straight line
Building improvements	- 10% per annum straight line
Motor vehicles	- 20% per annum straight line
Fixtures and fittings	- 4 - 33% per annum straight line
Clinic equipment	- 10% per annum reducing balance

Gains and losses on disposals are determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the Statement Of Financial Activities.

Buildings under construction are accounted for at cost, based on direct costs incurred. They are not depreciated until the accounting period in which they are brought into use.

Individual fixed assets costing £250 (including VAT) or more are capitalised at cost.

2.8 Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting date. Changes in fair value are recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

2.9 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.10 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

2.11 Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of costs and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell. Cost comprises direct materials and, where applicable, direct labour costs and those overheads that have been incurred in bringing the stocks to their preesnt location and condition. Items held for distribution at no or nominal consideration are measured the lower of replacement cost and cost.

Donated goods for sale are not valued.

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price less all estimated costs of completion and costs to be incurred in marketing, selling and distribution.

2.12 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.

2.13 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.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the Statement of financial activities as a finance cost.

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.14 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets
Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Derecognition of financial assets
Financial assets are derecognised only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire or are settled, or when the charity transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risk and rewards of ownership to another entity, or if some significant risks and rewards of ownership are retained but control of the asset has transferred to another party that is able to sell the asset in its entirety to an unrelated third party.

Basic financial liabilities
Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities
Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.15 Employee benefits

The costs of short-term employee benefits are recognised as a liability and an expense, unless those costs are required to be recognised as part of the cost of stock or fixed assets.

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

2.16 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

2.17 Operating Leases

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to expenditure on a straight line basis over the term of the relevant lease.

Rentals due under operating leases are charged to income on a straight line basis over the term of the relevant lease.

3. Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgement

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgments, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumption are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

The charity does not have any key or significant accounting estimates.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

4. Reconciliation of net movement in funds to net cash flow from operating activities

	2024 £	2023 £
Net income for the period (as per Statement of Financial Activities)	**707,904**	*815,216*
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	**110,845**	*94,561*
Gain on investments	**(118,182)**	*(147,874)*
Dividends, interests and rents from investments	**(31,736)**	*(14,454)*
Increase in stocks	**(8,390)**	*(2,474)*
(Increase) / Decrease in debtors	**(159,443)**	*53,697*
Increase in creditors	**5,936**	*86,122*
Net cash provided by operating activities	**506,934**	*884,794*

5. Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	2024 £	2023 £
Cash in hand	**1,655,121**	*1,228,563*
Total cash and cash equivalents	**1,655,121**	*1,228,563*

6. Analysis of changes in net debt

	At 1 January 2024 £	Cash flows £	At 31 December 2024 £
Cash at bank and in hand	**1,228,563**	**426,558**	**1,655,121**
	1,228,563	**426,558**	**1,655,121**

7. Income from donations and legacies

	2024 £	2023 £
Donations	**142,516**	*138,380*
Legacies	**621,384**	*712,347*
	763,900	*850,727*

8. Charitable activites

	2024 £	2023 £
Adoptions, claiming & housing	**227,547**	*246,794*
Clinic & miscellaneous receipts	**10,460**	*18,745*
Grants received	**131,536**	*267,587*
	369,543	*533,126*

9. Other incoming resources

	Restricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £
RSPCA Carmarthenshire Branch Transfer	351,746	462	**352,208**

10. Investments

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £
Money market interest	4,382	**4,382**
Interest receivable	27,354	**27,354**
	31,736	**31,736**

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	*Total funds 2023 £*
Money market interest	*3,851*	*3,851*
Interest receivable	*10,603*	*10,603*
	14,454	*14,454*

11. Other trading activities

	2024 £	*2023 £*
Charity shops	**910,491**	*934,621*
Special events	**130,155**	*115,562*
Caffi Nini	**178,682**	*34,342*
Rent Income	**81,706**	*56,858*
Miscellaneous	**39,322**	*32,394*
	1,340,356	*1,173,777*

12. Raising funds

	Restricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £
Rent, rates, light & Heat	-	206,521	**206,521**
Insurance	-	7,008	**7,008**
Maintenance and repairs	2,595	37,338	**39,933**
Waste disposal and cleaning	-	18,916	**18,916**
Other shop/fundraising costs	2,596	33,148	**35,744**
Staff costs	-	779,253	**779,253**
Shop goods for resale	2,595	57,072	**59,667**
Postage, stationery and telephone	802	5,858	**6,660**
Investment management	-	3,747	**3,747**
Share of support costs	2,163	43,815	**45,978**
Share of Governance costs	1,882	7,792	**9,674**
	12,633	1,200,468	**1,213,101**

	Restricted funds 2023 £	*Unrestricted funds 2023 £*	*Total funds 2023 £*
Rent, rates, light & Heat	-	*221,938*	*221,938*
Insurance	-	*7,097*	*7,097*
Maintenance and repairs	*332*	*12,486*	*12,818*
Waste disposal and cleaning	-	*4,830*	*4,830*
Other shop/fundraising costs	-	*36,495*	*36,495*
Staff costs	-	*614,460*	*614,460*
Shop goods for resale	-	*22,598*	*22,598*
Postage, stationery and telephone	-	*3,313*	*3,313*
Investment management	-	*3,439*	*3,439*
Share of support costs	-	*57,158*	*57,158*
Share of Governance costs	-	*8,675*	*8,675*
	332	*992,489*	*992,821*

13. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Summary by fund type

	Restricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
Staff costs, staff training, staff uniform	22,585	601,901	**624,486**
Rent, rates, light and heat	2,000	45,277	**47,277**
Insurance	-	4,158	**4,158**
Maintenance and repairs	1,140	20,496	**21,636**
Waste disposal and cleaning	-	35,437	**35,437**
Telephone	-	7,901	**7,901**
Travel and subsistence, miscellaneous costs, bad debt	-	4,812	**4,812**
Shop goods for resale	-	14,867	**14,867**
Vet fees, medicine and welfare costs	-	128,121	**128,121**
Food and pet supplies	-	27,205	**27,205**
Postage, stationery, computer costs and advertising	-	7,906	**7,906**
Share of support costs	51,965	79,149	**131,114**
Share of governance costs	8,392	(8,392)	**-**
	86,082	968,838	**1,054,920**

13. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities (continued)

Summary by fund type (continued)

	Restricted funds 2023 £	*Unrestricted funds 2023* £	*Total 2023* £
Staff costs, staff training, staff uniform	-	*579,351*	*579,351*
Rent, rates, light and heat	-	*41,286*	*41,286*
Insurance	-	*2,962*	*2,962*
Maintenance and repairs	-	*21,562*	*21,562*
Waste disposal and cleaning	-	*33,326*	*33,326*
Telephone	-	*4,898*	*4,898*
Travel and subsistence, miscellaneous costs, bad debt	-	*4,446*	*4,446*
Shop goods for resale	-	*20,021*	*20,021*
Vet fees, medicine and welfare costs	-	*97,183*	*97,183*
Food and pet supplies	-	*27,056*	*27,056*
Postage, stationery, computer costs and advertising	-	*7,997*	*7,997*
Share of support costs	*45,542*	*26,292*	*71,834*
	45,542	*866,380*	*911,922*

14. Support costs

	Support costs	Governance costs	2024 Total	2023 Total
	£	£	£	£
Depreciation	131,409	-	131,409	94,561
Bank/Credit card charges	15,556	-	15,556	16,021
Professional charges	29,343	-	29,343	19,030
Contribution to HQ	785	-	785	1,378
Irrecoverable VAT	-	-	-	-
Audit fees	-	12,100	12,100	11,000
Trustee expenses	-	-	-	683
Outreach work	-	1,882	1,882	50
Accounting fees	-	3,783	3,783	2,885
	177,093	**17,765**	**194,858**	**145,608**
Analysed between				
Fundraising	45,979	9,673	55,652	65,833
Charitable Activities	131,114	8,092	139,206	79,775
	177,093	**17,765**	**194,858**	**145,608**

15. Staff costs

	2024	*2023*
	£	*£*
Wages and salaries	**1,273,128**	*1,078,208*
Social security costs	**90,834**	*73,439*
Other pension costs	**34,219**	*29,768*
	1,398,181	*1,181,415*

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

	2024	*2023*
	No.	*No.*
Employees	**67**	*63*

. **(continued)**

The average monthly number of full time equivalent employees during the year was:

	2024 No.	*2023 No.*
Management and administration	**8**	*7*
Animal care	**28**	*28*
Shops	**31**	*26*
	67	*61*

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

16. Volunteers

The charity was assisted by volunteers during the year. The benefit of the volunteers are not quantified and in line with the requirements of the SORP, this amount has not been recognised within the accounts.

17. Split of audit and non-audit services

	2024 £	*2023 £*
Accountancy	**1,375**	*1,250*
Audit	**10,725**	*9,750*
	12,100	*11,000*

18. Trustees' remuneration and benefits

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2024 nor for the year ended 31 December 2023.

19. Trustees' expenses

One Trustee was reimbursed £2,905 for disbursements made on behalf of the charity. In 2023, there was £1,867 of Trustee disbursements made on behalf of the charity.

20. Key management personnel

The key management personnel of the charity in 2024 and in 2023 are the Branch Executive, the Branch Finance Manager, the Centre Manager, the Area Shop Manager and the trustees. The total employee costs of the employees deemed to be key management personnel was £182,354 (2023: £165,372).

None of the key management personnel were paid a salary above £60,000.

21. Redundancy and other payments

The charity made redundancy payments of £NIL (2023: £2,500).

22. Net gains/(losses) on investments

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	*Unrestricted funds 2023 £*
Movement in investments	**118,182**	*147,874*

23. Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land £	Fixtures and fittings £	Clinic equipment £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
Cost or valuation					
At 1 January 2024	**3,111,328**	**1,034,169**	**4,125**	**68,814**	**4,218,436**
Additions	**58,173**	**65,208**	**-**	**-**	**123,381**
Disposals	**(3,282)**	**(19,860)**	**-**	**-**	**(23,142)**
At 31 December 2024	**3,166,219**	**1,079,517**	**4,125**	**68,814**	**4,318,675**
Depreciation					
At 1 January 2024	**1,009,606**	**785,672**	**4,125**	**22,348**	**1,821,751**
Charge for the year	**75,552**	**44,693**	**-**	**11,164**	**131,409**
On disposals	**(3,282)**	**(17,283)**	**-**	**-**	**(20,565)**
At 31 December 2024	**1,081,876**	**813,082**	**4,125**	**33,512**	**1,932,595**

23. Tangible fixed assets (continued)

	Freehold land £	Fixtures and fittings £	Clinic equipment £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
Net book value					
At 31 December 2024	**2,084,343**	**266,435**	**-**	**35,302**	**2,386,080**
At 31 December 2023	*2,101,722*	*248,497*	*-*	*46,466*	*2,396,685*

24. Fixed asset investments

	Listed Investments 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £
Cost / Valuation		
As at 1 January 2023	2,005,852	**2,005,852**
Addition	57,624	**57,624**
Valuation changes	99,308	**99,308**
Cash movement	7,612	**7,612**
Disposal	(46,362)	**(46,362)**
Total 2024	2,124,034	**2,124,034**

	Listed Investments 2023 £	*Total funds 2023 £*
Cost / Valuation		
As at 1 January 2022	*1,865,157*	*1,865,157*
Addition	*58,694*	*58,694*
Valuation changes	*147,874*	*147,874*
Cash movement	*(14,454)*	*(14,454)*
Disposal	*(53,717)*	*(53,717)*
Other movements	*2,298*	*2,298*
Total 2023	*2,005,852*	*2,005,852*

25. Financial instruments

	2024	2023
	£	£
Financial assets		
Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure	**2,124,034**	*2,005,852*

26. Stocks

	2024	2023
	£	£
Stock	**27,512**	*19,122*

27. Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Due within one year		
Trade debtors	**223,961**	*40,534*
Other debtors	**56,677**	*133,503*
Prepayments and accrued income	**805,854**	*753,012*
	1,086,492	*927,049*

28. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade creditors	**80,939**	*59,882*
Other taxation and social security	**55,034**	*35,217*
Other creditors	**107,841**	*97,532*
Accruals and deferred income	**25,553**	*82,672*
	269,367	*275,303*

29. Deferred Income

	2024	2023
	£	£
Arising from grants	-	52,223
Room hire paid in advance	-	650
Payment in advance for events	128	-
	128	52,873

Deferred Income is included in the financial statements as follows:	2024	2023
	£	£
Deferred Income is included within		
Current Liabilities	128	52,873
Movements in the year:		
Deferred Income as at 1 January 2024	52,873	-
Released from previous periods	(52,873)	-
Resources deferred in the year	-	52,873
Deferred income as at 31 December 2024	128	52,873

30. Retirement benefit schemes

Defined contribution schemes
The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The asset of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund.

The charge to the Statement of Financial Activities in respect of defined contribution schemes was £34,219 (2023: £29,768).

Amounts outstanding at the year end totalled £12,621 (2023: £11,775).

31. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 January 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2024 £
Unrestricted funds						
Designated funds						
Shop rent	200,000	-	-	-	-	200,000
Cardiff rehoming facility	500,000	-	-	-	-	500,000
Fixed asset fund	1,431,884	-	-	954,195	-	2,386,079
Centre upgrade	100,000	-	-	-	-	100,000
	2,231,884	-	-	954,195	-	3,186,079
General funds						
General Funds - all funds	2,888,174	2,474,388	(2,169,306)	(954,195)	118,182	2,357,243
Total Unrestricted funds	5,120,058	2,474,388	(2,169,306)	-	118,182	5,543,322
Restricted funds						
Capital grant	358,422	-	(15,581)	-	-	342,841
Pets at Home	9,800	-	-	-	-	9,800
Playground Shelter	10,028	-	(1,392)	-	-	8,636
Pet Plan	3,720	-	(170)	-	-	3,550
RSPCA Carmarthenshire Branch Transfer	-	351,747	(565)	-	-	351,182
RSPCA Cardiff & District Branch	4,000	-	-	-	-	4,000

31. Statement of funds (continued)

Statement of funds - current year (continued)

	Balance at 1 January 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2024 £
Welsh Government Community Grant (Ysgubor)	245,000	-	(9,800)	-	-	235,200
National Lottery - Ysgubor	401,178	631	(16,072)	-	-	385,737
National Lottery - Volunteer grant	4,357	-	-	-	-	4,357
Moondance Foundation	42,000	-	(2,000)	-	-	40,000
Ysgubor - Moondance	19,600	-	(2,000)	-	-	17,600
National Lottery - Award for all	3,600	-	(2,000)	-	-	1,600
Bailey Thomas (Ysgubor)	19,600	-	(400)	-	-	19,200
Petplan (Dog run)	4,900	-	(200)	-	-	4,700
Heritage Lottery (to commence Jan 2024)	7,883	22,170	(27,959)	-	-	2,094
Landfill (Solar panels on Ysgubor)	44,100	-	(1,800)	-	-	42,300
Oakdale - Café fittings	900	-	(310)	-	-	590
Other	2,822	8,807	(18,466)	-	-	(6,837)
	1,181,910	383,355	(98,715)	-	-	1,466,550

Designated funds

Shop rent
Commitments on rental payments for the various charity shops leased by the charity. Funds to be released when required by the charity

Cardiff rehoming facility
The Trustees have designed funds to invest in a re-homing Centre in Cardiff to increase their profile within that area.

Centre upgrade
General upgrade to the animal accomodation as necessary.

Fixed assets
Relates to the net book value of the charity's unrestricted fixed assets. Movement relates to additions, disposals and depreciation in the year.

Transfers
Dog Run - The dog run was completed in the year and no further funds are required to be designated.

Restricted funds

Other
Included within Other restricted grants are following: Dwr Cymru Community grant £360, Coop £895.

Capital grant
A project to build a new animal centre at Llys Nini Farm, the Swansea Shop, upgrade to Centre and Centre Vet clinic. The grant is being released to unrestricted funds in line with the depreciation policy.

Pets at Home
This funding relates to vouchers provided by Pets At Home to purchase goods for the animals at the centre.

Playground Shelter
Funding provided by Mynydd yr Gwair to provide shelter and seating facilities for users of the playground and their parents.

Petplan
This grant was received to contribute to the cost of the effluent plant.

National Lottery Awards for All
Grant received to assist the purchase of a coffee pod. Income released to unrestricted reserves when expended or if capitalised, in line with depreciation policy.

RSPCA Cardiff & District Branch
Reserve transferred from RSPCA Cardiff and District branch to purchase animal welfare equipment for the Cardiff district.

Moondance Foundation
Grant received to assist the purchase of the effluent plant. Grant is to be released to unrestricted reserves in line with depreciation policy.

Ysgubor
A project to build a Visitor Centre/Cafe/Donation hub in the Llys Nini ground, funded by grants from Moondance £20,000, Welsh Government £250,000, National Lottery £217,021, Bailey Thomas charitable Fund £20,000.

The Dog Run
Covered run build grant received from Pets at home £10,000 Income to be released in line with depreciation.

National Lottery - Awards for All
Grant received to assist the purchase of the effluent plant. Grant is to be released to unrestricted reserves in line with depreciation policy.

Lottery Grant
Croeso grant which purchased furniture and equipment to welcome back the volunteer. Income to be released in line with depreciation.

Heritage Lottery Grant
Grant income recognised relates to travel, promotion and staff expenses. The majoirty of the grant has been deferred due to the performance conditon relating to the employment of a Community Heritage Engagement Officier being met in January 2024.

32. Summary of funds

Summary of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 January 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2024 £
Designated funds	2,231,884	-	-	954,195	-	3,186,079
General funds	2,888,174	2,474,388	(2,169,306)	(954,195)	118,182	2,357,243
Restricted funds	1,181,910	383,355	(98,715)	-	-	1,466,550
	6,301,968	2,857,743	(2,268,021)	-	118,182	7,009,872

33. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current period

	Restricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £
Tangible fixed assets	-	2,386,080	**2,386,080**
Fixed asset investments	-	2,124,034	**2,124,034**
Current assets	1,466,550	1,302,575	**2,769,125**
Creditors due within one year	-	(269,367)	**(269,367)**
Total	1,466,550	5,543,322	**7,009,872**

33. Analysis of net assets between funds (continued)

Analysis of net assets between funds - prior period

	Restricted funds 2023 £	*Unrestricted funds 2023* £	*Total funds 2023* £
Tangible fixed assets	*699,684*	*1,697,001*	*2,396,685*
Fixed asset investments	-	*2,005,852*	*2,005,852*
Current assets	*534,449*	*1,640,285*	*2,174,734*
Creditors due within one year	*(52,223)*	*(223,080)*	*(275,303)*
Total	*1,181,910*	*5,120,058*	*6,301,968*

34. Operating lease commitments

At 31 December 2024 the Charity had commitments to make future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	2024 £	*2023* £
Not later than 1 year	**85,513**	*116,400*
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	**70,942**	*135,013*
	156,455	*251,413*

35. Lessor

At the reporting end date the charity had contracted with tenants for the following minimum lease payments:

	2024 £	*2023* £
Within one year	**33,000**	*33,000*
Between two and five years	**132,000**	*132,000*
Over five years	**310,750**	*343,750*
	475,750	*508,750*

36. Capital Commitments

Capital commitments at the year end amount to £125,000 in relatation to the installation of a solar farm (2023: £Nil).

37. Post Balance Sheet Events

In February 2025, a transfer of £600,000 was made into the investment portfolio from the charity's bank account.

During May 2025, the Board made the decision to close the Gorseinon shop.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

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TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)".

Objectives and activities

The RSPCA Llys Nini Branch is an unincorporated charitable association and a separately registered branch of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (the Society), carrying out its direct animal welfare work in the unitary authorities of Swansea, Neath Port Talbot, Bridgend, some areas within Rhondda Cynon Taf, Powys and Cardiff. However, when able, it takes in animals from the whole of South and West Wales.

The objects of the Branch are to promote the work and objects of the Society - to promote kindness and to prevent or suppress cruelty to animals by all lawful means - with particular reference to the area of the Branch, in accordance with the policies of the Society.

The aim of the branch is to provide a committed welfare service to both domestic and wildlife animals in the South Wales area – to rescue, rehabilitate and rehome as many animals that need our assistance following neglect, mistreatment or who are unwanted in the home. We endeavour to promote responsibility for animals and environment through the education of children via school visits.

In order to meet its aims and objectives, the branch operates from a 78-acre farmland on the outskirts of Swansea, with facilities to provide the care for animals brought into the centre. The capacity of the centre is 57 dogs and 102 cats, 100 miscellaneous animals plus pups and kittens at any one time. The facilities allow the animals to be provided with the peace and tranquillity they often require as they go through rehabilitation. The branch works closely with the local RSPCA inspectorate providing the support and space for them to provide their services. The branch also works closely with St James Veterinary Group to provide its veterinary services for the branch animals and also works with a number of volunteers to help with the animals at the Centre, in the shops and out on the site, providing much needed hands-on experience and assistance.

Meeting the public benefit reporting requirement of the Charities Act

The trustees have reviewed the outcomes and achievements of the objectives and activities for the year, to ensure they remain focused on the charitable aims, and continue to deliver benefits to the public. In deciding what activities the Branch should undertake, the trustees have complied with the duty under the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Commission.

Under the Charities Act 2011, the advancement of animal welfare is recognised as a distinct statutory charitable purpose. This legislation and the Animal Welfare Act 2006 indicate an acceptance by society that treating living creatures with compassion has a moral benefit for the public as a whole. Whilst this public benefit is clear, it is sometimes difficult to quantify and must be balanced against any detriment.

The Branch's animal welfare work, although local in nature, benefits society at large, and also aims to help people in need with the care of their animals. All the charitable activities, as described in more detail in the following pages of this report, focus on promoting kindness and preventing or suppressing cruelty to animals and are undertaken to further these purposes for the public benefit.

The opportunity for free use of the Llys Nini site to the local and wider community, and our partnership working with other agencies in the delivery of educational opportunities and volunteering and training for people at risk of social exclusion, in addition to our environmental work, demonstrates our commitment to being a holistic charity. We recognise that animals can also have a positive effect on people's wellbeing and offer the socialisation of humans with the animals.

As an active RSPCA Branch, we support our local Inspectors by taking in mistreated or abandoned animals, including pets whose owners suffer ill health or financial difficulties or pass away.

The Branch provides subsidised veterinary treatment for animals which are sick or injured and who belong to branch area people on low incomes through a voucher scheme. Subsidised neutering and micro-chipping of cats is also provided for those in the Branch area on low incomes working in collaboration with the Cats' Protection. This work helps to control cat populations through neutering and benefits those on means tested benefits by giving them financial help to neuter and microchip cats, thereby promoting responsible pet ownership.

Animals in our care receive veterinary treatment, vaccination, neutering, micro-chipping and are assessed for re-homing. This work helps to control the spread of disease and suffering.

The Branch re-homes animals in need to people willing and able to have a companion animal. Whilst we recognise that companion animals provide measurable benefits to people's physical and mental health, we consider the provision of pets as subsidiary to the main charitable aim of this service, which is to reduce animal suffering. Our policy to charge a reasonable adoption fee for animals aims to highlight the on-going personal and financial commitment of pet ownership. It would not be in the best interests of animals, and therefore would fall outside our objects, to re-home to those who could not afford them.

The Branch also provides, free of charge, advertising of lost and found animals and, through our Facebook, Instagram and Twitter accounts, takes steps to reunite them with owners. This work benefits our local community (including local authorities) by preventing animals straying and posing a risk to themselves and to people through road traffic accidents.

The Branch responds to enquiries from the public about animals locally.

The public benefits from knowing that we can intervene to assist animals in need; offer free animal care advice on the phone and on our website; and promotion of responsible pet ownership.

We provide volunteering and training opportunities for those who wish to support our work, which benefits local people and companies by providing the possibility of doing work which is compassionate and rewarding in addition to learning new skills.

We recycle and reuse hundreds of kilos of unwanted textiles and other materials that would otherwise go to landfill. We provide good quality low cost clothing and household items to the public through our shops and also provide, free of charge, essential clothes and when available other items to rough sleepers and homeless people through the appropriate agencies.

Achievements and performance

2023 continued to be another challenging year in all sorts of way. Our charity shops have risen to the challenge of the high street and fared reasonably well. The number of volunteers at both the shops and at the Centre were, and still are, much lower than in pre COVID times. The increase in the minimum wage has had a significant effect on the monthly wage bill across the whole business.

The Animal Centre continued to be busy – the intake of animals increased, and we worked closely with the Inspectorate and Trading Standards, boarding a number of case animals for some months. At the start of the year, we held 120 animals and by the year end, we had 117 animals in our care.

In 2023, Llys Nini accepted 409 (2022: 384) animals into the centre, most of whom had been rescued by RSPCA inspectors and were in poor health. Our dedicated staff nursed the majority of them back to health and had re-homed 378 of them (2022: 284). Llys Nini continues to provide welfare assistance throughout the branch area via a voucher scheme. In 2023, in addition to the branch animals taken in, Llys Nini helped 414 animals by means of welfare assistance, 1,928 animals were neutered, 2,058 were microchipped.

It is the branch's policy that no healthy and "re-homeable" animal should be euthanised.

The branch has continued to work with the Cats Protection and have neutered a large number of cats within the Branch area. The scheme offers neutering and micro-chipping to cats belonging to people on low incomes. There has also been a high-profile advertising campaign via social media to promote this scheme. The Cat neutering programme this year saw 1,928 cats neutered and microchipped within the branch area.

The branch works with local organisations such as Missing Dogs Team Wales and Lost and Found Cats South Wales – Gwent Cats Protection to operate a lost and found animal service.

The St James Veterinary Clinic on our site continues to be a huge help to the branch, cutting down on costs and has been much better for the animals needing the Vet treatments or check- ups.

The Conservation area continues to thrive with regular sightings of ducks, kingfishers, heron, bats, foxes and owls visiting our site. We ensure that we take action to manage the site for biodiversity with a documented strategic plan for maintaining the habitats on site.

The paths and boardwalks are continually being maintained so that people can come and enjoy the green spaces. The Safeguarding Officer has also continued working with people with disabilities, helping them to contribute to the development of the site and the wildlife. The site has also been awarded a Community Green Flag Award for an eighth year. Our bird hide is a good place to view the wildlife on the pond.

During 2022/23, there has been much building work undertaken. The first building to be completed was the much needed covered all weather dog run for our most vulnerable dogs to exercise in the poor weather. This build has been funded by grants from The Pets at Home Foundation and Petplan Charitable Trust, but the majority of the build and fittings has been paid from a very generous legacy of the late Meirion Evans who was a life-long dog lover, and whom we will be naming the building after. The project was managed in house by one of our Team Mr Tony Ellis and our thanks go to him for all the hard work he has put into this project. The second build is the Ysgubor project, again the costs of which has been covered by Grants from the Welsh Government, National Lottery, Moondance and Bailey Thomas Charitable Fund, and our thanks go out to our Chair, Sally Hyman for the enormous amount of work she has put in to secure these grants. The purpose of this build is that of a Community hub – hosting a café, an activity area for a variety of events, a classroom, a donation processing area, all of which will help us increase the revenue streams, develop our animal welfare activities, all whilst helping the community and helping protect the environment. All the "profits" from the ventures will be ploughed back into the charity to further our objectives.

Our fundraising team continue to work tirelessly to raise the much-needed funds and the events held during the year were well supported, in particular the Easter Egg Trails and hunt, DOTY, Gnoll Park show, Halloween week, Christmas activities and the Mutt Strutts. They go out on a regular basis to collection days shaking their collection boxes. They continually update and maintain the Facebook, Instagram and Twitter pages to ensure that we have a large number of followers to champion the good work we do. We thank them for that they do.

The Trustees of RSPCA Llys Nini would like to record their gratitude to all branch staff, volunteers, supporters and partner organisations. The Branch is a voluntary organisation and without this level of mutual support would not be able to function for the benefit of people and animals.

Financial review

The Branch's results for the year are set out on the Statement of Financial Activities on page 14.

The Branch has resulted a surplus of £793,336 (2022: surplus £820,013) recorded for the year. The surplus in both 2023 and 2022 are due to the large value of grants and legacy income received and recognised in the year.

Income

Donations and gift aid income has decreased from the previous year from £118,153 to £116,500.

Legacy income has increased on the previous year from £540,863 to £712,347. Legacy income is an unpredictable source of income, but from which the branch has continued to benefit greatly from over the past few years. None of the income is restricted other than to support the work we do with animals within our branch area.

The charity shops are an important part of our fundraising team. We closed our Wellfield Road, Cardiff shop in May 2022, and there are always plans to seek alternative premises when they are in the right place and at the right time, but nothing suitable has been found to date. During the year, the support from the public to provide clothes and bric a brac donations has once again been magnificent.

Money market income has increased due to the increase in interest and improved market conditions.

The movement in unrealised gains/losses (where market value is higher/lower than actual cost of investments) amounted to £147,874 gain (2022: £103,803 loss). The investment market is quite volatile due to the energy crisis and cost of living crisis and general economic events.

During the year, the charity had not disposed of any assets.

Income generated from other activities included rent from the Veterinary Clinic, Groomers, Beekeepers and Wildflower sites together with the rent for the solar field.

Expenditure
Salaries continue to be the main category of charitable expenditure; £567,193 (2022: £480,878) for the direct caring of animals and the environment; £552,917 (2022: £528,862) for the shop workers and administration of shops and £61,543 (2022: £42,957) for fundraising team. Salaries of the Branch Executive and Finance manager are allocated per proportion of their time covering the areas of the branch activities.

Support costs include charges by HQ to cover the legal & administrative costs relating to the legacy income.

The charity generated an unrestricted surplus (excluding gain on investments) of £430,233 for the year ended 31 December 2023 (2022: £452,439).

Reserves Policy
The Trust maintains restricted, designated and unrestricted reserves. The restricted reserves comprise a number of individual reserves for particular projects, primarily those funded from external restricted purpose grants. These funds are ring-fenced, and no contribution is taken towards operational costs, except where this is allowed by the donor.

The Trust's unrestricted reserve balance is £5,098,178 at the year end. This balance includes £2,231,884 relating to designated funds to be spent on specific projects. The designated funds are shown within note 28 of the accounts and are monitored for changes at monthly Board meetings.

The Trustees have taken the decision to maintain a relatively high level of investments together with a substantial amount in reserves so that the charity can carry out its mission of safeguarding charity funds. The charity have an ethical standpoint and any investments made must be in line with these.

Risk Management
In compliance with the SORP, the major risks to which the Charity is exposed, as identified by Trustees, have been reviewed and systems have been established to manage those risks. These are reviewed at the monthly Board Meetings.

Future Developments
The trustees are committed to provide animal welfare services at Llys Nini and to operate welfare assistance schemes throughout the extended branch area. This assistance has been extended to assisting the owners of XL bullies neutering. The Trustees are also assisting with a number of Food Banks within the Branch area to help keep the Animals at their home environment by providing food to those who need the help. This work is undertaken in conjunction with Carmarthenshire Branch and the Aberconwy Branch.

In order to maximise income generation, the charity plans to continue to manage its land for biodiversity and to develop a "green" visitors' attraction. These plans will use none of the charity's funds but will rely on money from other sources, including various grants.

The Trustees are committed to the Environmental work on the site and are working with a number of organisations encourage the young people to enjoy the wildlife through events. The Swansea Beekeepers Society also continues to work on site. Celtic Wildflowers is using the Centre as a location in which to grow native wildflower plants and trees, which in itself will be a benefit to the wildlife at the Centre. We continue to look at other organisations to work with to use the land for the benefit of the environment.

Looking forward, the planned merger with the RSPCA Carmarthenshire branch is going to happen on the 31 May 2024. By pooling the resources, experience, knowledge and commitment, we will be able to deliver animal welfare over a much greater area. All transferred reserves will be restricted to the use of "Carmarthenshire" Animals welfare and support.

2024 marks the 200th Anniversary of the founding of the RSPCA and 25 years from when the Llys Nini Animal Centre was officially opened. There will be an exhibition held towards the end of the year to celebrate this achievement, hosted by Rhiannon Davies, our Heritage officer. This post and related costs are grant funded.

Going Concern
The Board continue to maintain a review of the charity's going concern basis. Another year with a net movement in funds alongside a strong cash and net asset position has led to a strengthening the balance sheet position. The Trustees appreciate the various external and internal factors that prove a risk to going concern. Notwithstanding these though, the trustees have assessed that the charity is a going concern and the financial statements have been prepared on that basis.

Structure, governance and management
Governing Document

The organisation is an unincorporated charity, registered with the Charity Commission on 21 August 1963, and operates as an autonomous branch of the RSPCA, subject to its rules for branches (as updated in 2012).

In August 2016 the Trustees obtained an order from the Charity Commission to incorporate the charity trustees as a body incorporate under the power given in section 251 of the Charities Act 2011. This means that all property of the charity is transferred to the incorporated body. Its governing document encompasses the rules adopted on 18 February 2009 as amended on 8 April 2017.

Recruitment and Appointment of Management Committee
The charity is governed by a minimum of 5 to a maximum of 14 elected Trustees, appointed annually by way of a members' ballot, which is held at the Annual General Meeting. All trustees are briefed on their responsibilities as Trustees by the Chair of Trustees and have access to the online Trustee Handbook and RSPCA guidelines together with the appropriate Charity Commission publications. There is no requirement for trustees to retire by rotation.

All trustees are deemed to be "fit and proper persons" and eligible to be trustees of RSPCA Llys Nini.

Organisational Structure
The trustees generally hold monthly meetings at which decisions on policy and practice are made. The day-to-day running of the Animal Centre is delegated to the Animal Centre Manager, and the day-to-day running of the shops is delegated to the Area Shop Manager and to the individual shops' managers. The Branch Executive and the Finance Manager are the lead professionals, line managing the middle management team and, with the Chair, managing the running of the branch as a whole.

A register of Trustee interests is maintained at the branch and is available to the public for review.

Pay policy for Key Management Personnel
The trustees consider that the senior management team, comprised of the key management personnel of the charity, are in charge of directing and controlling, running and operating the branch on a day-to-day basis. All trustees give of their time freely and no trustee received remuneration in the year. Details of trustee expenses, key management personnel and related party transactions are disclosed in note 14, 15, 16 and 34 to the accounts.

The pay of the senior staff is reviewed annually and normally increased in accordance with average earnings. In view of the nature of the charity, the trustees' benchmark against pay levels in other charities of a similar size and operating in the same sector. The remuneration is benchmarked using market data which is readily available.

Auditors
The auditors, MHA, will be proposed for a re-appointment at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

Principal Office: Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Llys Nini Branch – Cardiff to Swansea

Principal Office: RSPCA, Llys Nini Branch – Cardiff to Swansea

Charity registered number: 224337

Principal Office: Llys Nini Animal Centre
Penllergaer
Swansea
SA4 9WB

President Martin Trainer
Vice Presidents: Joe and Lacey Allen
Kevin Johns
Peter Black
Neville Southhall

Trustees: Sally Hyman (Chair)
Claire Chappell (Secretary)
Iwan Rees (Co-opted)
Alison Spence
Howard Spence
Robert Davies
Rebecca Miles
Jean Rawlings
Darren Lovering
Amanda Simisker (Resigned in year)
Dr Katherine Fender (Co-opted 25 July 2023)

Auditors: MHA, Statutory Auditors
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Legal advisors: JCP Solicitors
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Key Management Personnel:

Mr David Stokes – Branch Executive
Mrs Claire Phillips – Branch Finance Manager
Mr Gary Weeks – Animal Centre Manager
Mrs Kim Williams – Area Shop Manager

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

The Trustees 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).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of 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 Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the Trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

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

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Sally Hyman
Chair

Date: 21/5/24

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF RSPCA, LLYS NINI BRANCH

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of RSPCA, Llys Nini Branch (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 December 2023 which comprise the Statement of financial activities, the Balance sheet, the Statement of cash flows and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 December 2023 and of its incoming resources and application of resources for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the United Kingdom, including the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF RSPCA, LLYS NINI BRANCH (CONTINUED)

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the Annual report other than the financial statements and our Auditors' report thereon. The Trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the Annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the Trustees' report is inconsistent in any material respect with the financial statements; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Trustees' responsibilities statement, the Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements which give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF RSPCA, LLYS NINI BRANCH (CONTINUED)

Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditor under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an Auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

We obtain and update our understanding of the entity, its activities, its control environment, and likely future developments, including in relation to the legal and regulatory framework applicable and how the entity is complying with that framework. Based on this understanding, we identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. This includes consideration of the risk of acts by the entity that were contrary to applicable laws and regulations, including frauds.

In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations, including fraud, we designed procedures which included:

- Enquiry of management and those charged with governance around actual and potential litigation and
- Reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance;
- Assessing the extent of compliance with the laws and regulations considered to have a direct material effect on the financial statements or the operations of the entity through enquiry and inspection;
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- Performing audit work over the risk of management bias and override of controls, including testing of potential bias.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involved collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

This has been done in order for the financial statement to provide a true and fair view in accordance with current Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF RSPCA, LLYS NINI BRANCH (CONTINUED)

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Auditors' report.

Use of our report

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. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an Auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and its trustees, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

MHA

MHA
Statutory Auditor
Swansea, United Kingdom

Date: ....01/08/24.....

MHA are eligible to act as auditors in terms of section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

MHA is the trading name of MacIntyre Hudson LLP, a limited liability partnership in England and Wales (registered number OC312313).

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Note	Restricted funds 2023 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £	*Total funds 2022 £*
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	4	-	**850,727**	**850,727**	*659,016*
Charitable activities	5	**261,103**	**272,023**	**533,126**	*875,774*
Other trading activities	7	-	**1,173,777**	**1,173,777**	*1,140,202*
Investments	6	-	**14,454**	**14,454**	*5,319*
Total income		**261,103**	**2,310,981**	**2,572,084**	*2,680,311*
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	8	**332**	**992,488**	**992,820**	*987,874*
Charitable activities	9	**45,542**	**866,380**	**911,922**	*768,621*
Total expenditure		**45,874**	**1,858,868**	**1,904,742**	*1,756,495*
Net income before net gains/(losses) on investments		**215,229**	**452,113**	**667,342**	*923,816*
Net gains/(losses) on investments	18	-	**147,874**	**147,874**	*(103,803)*
Net movement in funds		**215,229**	**599,987**	**815,216**	*820,013*
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		**966,681**	**4,520,071**	**5,486,752**	*4,666,739*
Net movement in funds		**215,229**	**599,987**	**815,216**	*820,013*
Total funds carried forward		**1,181,910**	**5,120,058**	**6,301,968**	*5,486,752*

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

The notes on pages 18 to 51 form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Note		2023 £		2022 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	19		**2,396,685**		*1,924,219*
Investments	20		**2,005,852**		*1,865,157*
			4,402,537		*3,789,376*
Current assets					
Stocks	22	**19,122**		*16,648*	
Debtors	23	**927,049**		*980,746*	
Cash at bank and in hand		**1,228,563**		*889,163*	
		2,174,734		*1,886,557*	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	24	**(275,303)**		*(189,181)*	
Net current assets			**1,899,431**		*1,697,376*
Total assets less current liabilities			**6,301,968**		*5,486,752*
Total net assets			**6,301,968**		*5,486,752*
Charity funds					
Restricted funds	28		**1,181,910**		*966,681*
Unrestricted funds	28		**5,120,058**		*4,520,071*
Total funds			**6,301,968**		*5,486,752*

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees on 21/05/2024 and signed on their behalf by:

S Hyman

J ~~Rawlings~~ DAVIES

The notes on pages 18 to 51 form part of these financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Notes	2023 £	*2022 £*
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	1	884,794	*407,315*
Interest paid		-	-
Net cash provided by operating activities		**884,794**	**407,315**
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(567,027)	*(552,562)*
Disposal of fixed assets		-	-
Purchase of investments		(58,694)	*(1,039,588)*
Proceeds on disposal of investments		65,873	*640,833*
Investment income received		14,454	*5,319*
Net cash used in investing activities		**(545,394)**	**(945,998)**
Cash flows from financing activities			
Net cash provided by financing activities		-	-
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year		339,400	**(538,683)**
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	2	889,163	*1,427,846*
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	2	**1,228,563**	***889,163***

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

1. RECONCILIATION OF NET (EXPENDITURE)/INCOME TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2023 £	2022 £
Net (expenditure)/income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	815,216	820,013
Adjustments for:		
Fair Value gains and losses on investments	(147,874)	103,803
Depreciation charges	94,561	74,500
Investment Income	(14,454)	(5,319)
Interest paid	-	-
Decrease/(increase) in stock	(2,474)	(2,995)
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	53,697	(608,491)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	33,249	34,804
Increase/(decrease) in deferred income	52,873	(9,000)
Net cash provided by operations	884,794	407,315

2. ANALYSIS OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	2023 £	2022 £
Cash at bank	1,228,563	889,163
Total cash and cash equivalents	1,228,563	889,163

3. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET DEBT

	At 1/1/23	Cash flows	Other Non-cash changes	At 31/12/23
	£	£	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	889,163	339,400	-	1,228,563
Loans falling due within one year	-	-	-	-
Loans falling due after one year	-	-	-	-
Total	889,163	339,400	-	1,228,563

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

Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Llys Nini Branch - Cardiff to Swansea is an unincorporated charity whose principal office is Llys Nini Animal Centre, Penllergaer, Swansea, SA4 9WB.

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statement are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

2.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

2.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Designated funds comprise funds which have been set aside at the discretion of the trustees for specific purposes. The purposes and uses of the designated funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by doners as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

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

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.4 Incoming resources

All income is included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. Where grants are subject to performance related conditions, they are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities based upon when the performance related conditions have been met, in line with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included in these accounts. Donated goods are recognised at their value when the sale takes place.

Income from charitable trading activities represent fees charged in respect of the adoption and treatment of animals, the provision of boarding facilities and claim fees for recovered pets, these income streams are credited to the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which they are due. Income received in advance is deferred to the appropriate financial year.

Charity shop and other miscellaneous income is recognised in the period when the sale takes place.

Rental and solar farm income is recognised in the period to which the service is provided.

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank.

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

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.5 Resources expended

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 is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to the activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges are allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

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

Costs of raising funds comprise of the costs in relation to generating income such as fundraising activities.

Expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs relating to the furtherance of the charity's objectives as stated in the trustees report.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories in the Statement of Financial Activities on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource. Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly while others are apportioned on an appropriate basis, as set out in the support costs note.

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.6 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring a tangible fixed asset into its intended working condition should be included in the measurement of cost.

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives

Depreciation is provided on the following bases:

Freehold land	- Nil
Buildings	- 2% per annum straight line
Building improvements	- 10% per annum straight line
Motor vehicles	- 20% per annum straight line
Fixtures and fittings	- 4 - 33% per annum straight line
Clinic equipment	- 10% per annum reducing balance

Gains and losses on disposals are determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the Statement Of Financial Activities.

Buildings under construction are accounted for at cost, based on direct costs incurred. They are not depreciated until the accounting period in which they are brought into use.

Individual fixed assets costing £250 (including VAT) or more are capitalised at cost.

2.7 Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting date. Changes in fair value are recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

2.8 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

2.9 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.10 Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of costs and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell. Cost comprises direct materials and, where applicable, direct labour costs and those overheads that have been incurred in bringing the stocks to their present location and condition. Items held for distribution at no or nominal consideration are measured the lower of replacement cost and cost.

Donated goods for sale are not valued.

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price less all estimated costs of completion and costs to be incurred in marketing, selling and distribution.

2.11 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.

2.12 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.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the Statement of financial activities as a finance cost.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.13 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets
Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Derecognition of financial assets
Financial assets are derecognised only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire or are settled, or when the charity transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risk and rewards of ownership to another entity, or if some significant risks and rewards of ownership are retained but control of the asset has transferred to another party that is able to sell the asset in its entirety to an unrelated third party.

Basic financial liabilities
Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities
Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

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

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.14 Employee benefits

The costs of short-term employee benefits are recognised as a liability and an expense, unless those costs are required to be recognised as part of the cost of stock or fixed assets.

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

2.15 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

2.16 Operating Leases

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to expenditure on a straight line basis over the term of the relevant lease.

Rentals due under operating leases are charged to income on a straight line basis over the term of the relevant lease.

3. Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgment

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgments, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumption are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

The charity does not have any key or significant accounting estimates.

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

4. Income from donations and legacies

	2023 £	*2022 £*
Donations	138,380	*118,153*
Legacies	712,347	*540,863*
	850,727	*659,016*

5. Charitable activities

	2023 £	*2022 £*
Adoptions, claiming & housing	246,794	*212,752*
Clinic & miscellaneous receipts	18,745	*21,069*
Grants received	267,587	*641,953*
	533,126	*875,774*

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

6. Investments

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £
Money market interest	3,851	**3,851**
Interest receivable	10,603	**10,603**
	14,454	**14,454**

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	*Total funds 2022 £*
Money market interest	*1,150*	*1,150*
Interest receivable	*4,169*	*4,169*
	5,319	***5,319***

7. Other trading activities

	2023 £	*2022 £*
Charity shops	934,621	*941,057*
Special events	115,562	*112,899*
Caffe Nini	34,342	-
Rent Income	56,858	*62,613*
Miscellaneous	32,394	*23,633*
	1,173,777	***1,140,202***

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8. Raising funds

	Restricted funds 2023 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £
Rent, rates, light & heat	-	221,937	**221,937**
Insurance	-	7,097	**7,097**
Maintenance and repairs	332	12,486	**12,818**
Waste disposal and cleaning	-	4,830	**4,830**
Other shop/fundraising costs	-	36,495	**36,495**
Staff costs	-	614,460	**614,460**
Shop goods for resale	-	22,598	**22,598**
Postage, stationery and telephone	-	3,313	**3,313**
Investment management	-	3,439	**3,439**
Share of Support costs	-	57,158	**57,158**
Share of Governance costs	-	8,675	**8,675**
	332	992,488	**992,820**

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	Restricted funds 2022 £	*Unrestricted funds 2022* £	*Total funds 2022* £
Rent, rates, light & heat	-	*226,096*	*226,096*
Insurance	-	*5,506*	*5,506*
Maintenance and repairs	-	*28,334*	*28,334*
Waste disposal and cleaning	-	*14,565*	*14,565*
Advertising	-	*69*	*69*
Other shop/fundraising costs	-	*9,185*	*9,185*
Staff costs	*82,632*	*489,187*	*571,819*
Shop goods for resale	-	*32,752*	*32,752*
Postage, stationery and telephone	-	*2,951*	*2,951*
Investment management	-	*1,881*	*1,881*
Share of support costs	-	*90,730*	*90,730*
Share of Governance costs	-	*3,986*	*3,986*
	82,632	*905,242*	*987,874*

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9. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Summary by fund type

	Restricted funds 2023 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
Staff costs	-	567,193	**567,193**
Rent, rates, light and heat	-	41,286	**41,286**
Insurance	-	2,962	**2,962**
Maintenance and repairs	-	21,562	**21,562**
Waste disposal and cleaning	-	33,326	**33,326**
Telephone	-	4,898	**4,898**
Travel and subsistence	-	1,213	**1,213**
Shop goods for resale	-	20,021	**20,021**
Vet fees, medicine and welfare costs	-	97,183	**97,183**
Food and pet supplies	-	27,056	**27,056**
Postage, stationery, computer costs and advertising	-	7,997	**7,997**
Staff training	-	1,753	**1,753**
Staff uniform	-	2,462	**2,462**
Bad debt	-	1,730	**1,730**
Miscellaneous costs	-	1,505	**1,505**
Share of support costs	45,542	26,290	**71,832**
Share of governance costs	-	7,943	**7,943**
	45,542	866,380	**911,922**

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	Restricted funds 2022 £	*Unrestricted funds 2022* £	*Total 2022* £
Staff costs	*23,003*	*457,875*	*480,878*
Rent, rates, light and heat	-	*50,920*	*50,920*
Insurance	-	*2,566*	*2,566*
Maintenance and repairs	-	*19,461*	*19,461*
Waste disposal and cleaning	-	*21,202*	*21,202*
Telephone	-	*2,628*	*2,628*
Travel and subsistence	-	*684*	*684*
Shop goods for resale	-	*15,361*	*15,361*
Vet fees, medicine and welfare costs	-	*100,424*	*100,424*
Food and pet supplies	-	*18,646*	*18,646*
Postage, stationery, computer costs and advertising	-	*8,208*	*8,208*
Staff training	-	*749*	*749*
Staff uniforms	-	*2,303*	*2,303*
Miscellaneous costs	-	*1,305*	*1,305*
Share of support costs	*25,644*	*12,716*	*38,360*
Share of governance costs	-	*4,927*	*4,927*
	48,647	*719,974*	*768,621*

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10. Support costs

	Support costs £	*Governance costs* £	*2023 Total* £	*2022 Total* £
Depreciation	*94,561*	-	*94,561*	*74,500*
Bank/Credit card charges	*16,021*	-	*16,021*	*15,932*
Professional charges	*17,030*	-	*17,030*	*23,836*
Contribution to HQ	*1,378*	-	*1,378*	*968*
Irrecoverable VAT	-	-	-	*13,854*
Audit fees	-	*13,000*	*13,000*	*5,150*
Trustee expenses	-	*683*	*683*	-
Outreach work	-	*50*	*50*	*2,822*
Accounting fees	-	*2,885*	*2,885*	*941*
	128,990	***16,618***	***145,608***	***138,003***
Analysed between				
Fundraising	*57,158*	*8,675*	*65,833*	*94,716*
Charitable Activities	*71,832*	*7,943*	*79,775*	*43,287*
	128,990	***16,618***	***145,608***	***138,003***

11. Staff costs

	2023 £	*2022* £
Wages and salaries	1,078,208	*968,347*
Social security costs	73,439	*59,072*
Other pension costs	29,768	*25,278*
	1,181,415	*1,052,697*

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11. Staff costs (continued)

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

	2023 No.	2022 No.
Employees	63	61

The average monthly number of full time equivalent employees during the year was:

	2023 No.	2022 No.
Management and administration	7	7
Animal care	28	26
Shops	26	23
	61	56

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

12. Volunteers

The charity was assisted by volunteers during the year. The benefit of the volunteers are not quantified and in line with the requirements of the SORP, this amount has not been recognised within the accounts.

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13. Split of Audit and non-audit services

	2023 £	*2022* *£*
Accountancy	2,885	*941*
Audit	13,000	*5,150*
	15,885	***6,091***

14. Trustees' remuneration and benefits

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2023 nor for the year ended 31 December 2022.

15. Trustees' expenses

Two Trustees' were reimbursed £1,867 for disbursements made on behalf of the Trust. In 2022, there was no reimbursement of Trustee disbursements made on behalf of the Trust.

16. Key management personnel

The key management personnel of the charity in 2023 and in 2022 are the Branch Executive, the Branch Finance Manager, the Centre Manager, the Area Shop Manager and the trustees. The total employee costs of the employees deemed to be key management personnel was £165,372 (2022: £162,112).

None of the key management personnel were paid a salary above £60,000.

17. Redundancy and other payments

The charity made redundancy payments of £2,500 (2022: £10,062).

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18. Net gains/(losses) on investments

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	*Unrestricted funds 2022 £*
Revaluation of investment	147,874	*(103,803)*

19. Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land	Asset under construction	Fixtures and fittings	Clinic equipment	Motor vehicles	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Cost or valuation						
At 1 January 2023	2,116,116	522,145	983,208	4,125	25,814	3,651,408
Additions	473,067	-	50,960	-	43,000	567,027
Revaluations	522,145	(522,145)	-	-	-	-
At 31 December 2023	3,111,328	-	1,034,168	4,125	68,814	4,218,435
Depreciation						
At 1 January 2023	955,913	-	750,950	4,125	16,201	1,727,189
Charge for the year	53,693	-	34,722	-	6,146	94,561
At 31 December 2023	1,009,606	-	785,672	4,125	22,347	1,821,750
Net book value						
At 31 December 2023	2,101,722	-	248,496	-	46,467	2,396,685
At 31 December 2022	*1,160,203*	*522,145*	*232,258*	-	*9,613*	*1,924,219*

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20. Fixed asset investments

	Listed Investments 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £
Cost / Valuation		
As at 1 January 2023	1,865,157	**1,865,157**
Addition	58,694	**58,694**
Valuation changes	147,874	**147,874**
Cash movement	(14,454)	**(14,454)**
Disposal	(53,717)	**(53,717)**
Other movements	2,298	**2,298**
	2,005,852	2,005,852

	Listed Investments 2022 £	*Total funds 2022 £*
Cost / Valuation		
As at 1 January 2022	*1,570,205*	***1,570,205***
Addition	*1,039,588*	***1,039,588***
Valuation changes	*(103,803)*	***(103,803)***
Cash movement	*13,203*	***13,203***
Disposal	*(654,036)*	***(654,036)***
	1,865,157	***1,865,157***

21. Financial instruments

	2023 £	*2022* *£*
Financial assets		
Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure	2,005,852	*1,849,225*

22. Stocks

	2023 £	*2022* *£*
Stock	19,122	*16,648*

23. Debtors

	2023 £	*2022* *£*
Due within one year		
Trade debtors	40,534	*36,877*
Other debtors	133,503	*268,296*
Prepayments and accrued income	753,012	*675,573*
	927,049	*980,746*

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24. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	*2022 £*
Trade creditors	59,882	*46,548*
Other taxation and social security	35,217	*29,321*
Other creditors	97,532	*79,426*
Accruals and deferred income	82,672	*33,886*
	275,303	***189,181***

25. Deferred Income

	2023 £	*2022 £*
Arising from grants	52,223	-
Room hire paid in advance	650	-
	52,873	-

Deferred Income is included in the financial statements as follows:	2023 £	2022 £
Deferred Income is included within:		
Current Liabilities	52,873	-
Movements in the year:		
Deferred Income as at 1 January 2023	-	9,000
Released from previous periods	-	(9,000)
Resources deferred in the year	52,873	
Deferred income as at 31 December 2023	**52,873**	-

26. Retirement benefit schemes

Defined contribution schemes
The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The asset of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund.

The charge to the Statement of Financial Activities in respect of defined contribution schemes was £29,768 (2022: £25,278).

Amounts outstanding at the year-end totalled £11,775 (2022: £8,728).

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28. Statement of funds

Shop rent
Commitments on rental payments for the various charity shops leased by the charity. Funds to be released when required by the charity

Cardiff rehoming facility
The Trustees have designed funds to invest in a re-homing Centre in Cardiff to increase their profile within that area.

Centre upgrade
General upgrade to the animal accommodation as necessary.

Fixed assets
Relates to the net book value of the charity's unrestricted fixed assets. Movement relates to additions, disposals and depreciation in the year.

Transfers
Dog Run - The dog run was completed in the year and no further funds are required to be designated.

28. Statement of funds (continued)

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 January 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2023 £
Unrestricted funds						
Designated funds						
Shop rent	200,000	-	-	-	-	200,000
Cardiff rehoming facility	500,000	-	-	-	-	500,000
Fixed asset fund	1,431,884	-	-	-	-	1,431,884
Centre upgrade	100,000	-	-	-	-	100,000
Dog run	100,000	-	-	(100,000)	-	-
	2,331,884	-	-	(100,000)	-	2,231,884
General funds						
General Funds - all funds	2,188,187	2,310,981	(1,858,868)	100,000	147,874	2,888,174
Total Unrestricted funds	4,520,071	2,289,101	(1,858,868)	-	147,874	5,120,058

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28. Statement of funds (continued)

Restricted funds

	Balance at 1 January 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2022 £
Capital grant	374,003	-	(15,581)	-	-	358,422
Pets at Home	10,000	-	(200)	-	-	9,800
Playground Shelter	11,420	-	(1,392)	-	-	10,028
Pet Plan	3,890	-	(170)	-	-	3,720
National Lottery Awards for All	439	-	(439)	-	-	-
RSPCA Cardiff & District Branch	4,000	-	-	-	-	4,000
Welsh Government Community Grant (Ysgubor)	250,000	-	(5,000)	-	-	245,000
National Lottery - Ysgubor	210,583	198,782	(8,187)	-	-	401,178
National Lottery - Volunteer grant	5,645	-	(1,288)	-	-	4,357
HSBC	2,487	-	(2,487)	-	-	-
Moondance Foundation	44,000	-	(2,000)	-	-	42,000
Millenium Stadium Charitable Trust	4,614	-	(4,614)	-	-	-
Ysgubor - Moondance	20,000	-	(400)	-	-	19,600
National Lottery - Award for all	5,600	-	(2,000)	-	-	3,600
Bailey Thomas (Ysgubor)	20,000	-	(400)	-	-	19,600

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28. Statement of funds (continued)

	Balance at 1 January 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2022 £
Petplan (Dog run)	-	5,000	(100)	-	-	4,900
Heritage Lottery (to commence Jan 2024)	-	7,883	-	-	-	7,883
Landfill (Solar panels on Ysgubor)	-	45,000	(900)	-	-	44,100
Oakdale - Café fittings	-	1,000	(100)	-	-	900
Other	-	3,438	(616)	-	-	2,822
	966,681	261,103	(45,874)	-	-	1,181,910

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28. Statement of funds (continued)

Capital grant
A project to build a new animal centre at Llys Nini Farm, the Swansea Shop, upgrade to Centre and Centre Vet clinic. The grant is being released to unrestricted funds in line with the depreciation policy.

Pets at Home
This funding relates to vouchers provided by Pets At Home to purchase goods for the animals at the centre.

Ferret house build
Grants received to cover costs of the new build of the ferret house.

Playground Shelter
Funding provided by Mynydd yr Gwair to provide shelter and seating facilities for users of the playground and their parents.

Petplan
This grant was received to contribute to the cost of the effluent plant.

National Lottery Awards for All
Grant received to assist the purchase of a coffee pod. Income released to unrestricted reserves when expended or if capitalised, in line with depreciation policy.

RSPCA Cardiff & District Branch
Reserve transferred from RSPCA Cardiff and District branch to purchase animal welfare equipment for the Cardiff district.

HSBC
Grant received to assist the purchase of the Marquee. Grant release to unrestricted reserves in line with depreciation policy.

Moondance Foundation
Grant received to assist the purchase of the effluent plant. Grant is to be released to unrestricted reserves in line with depreciation policy.

Millennium Stadium Charitable Trust
This grant was received to assist with the costs of the "Environmental Work - Bird Boxes" project.

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28. Statement of funds (continued)

Ysgubor
A project to build a Visitor Centre/Cafe/Donation hub in the Llys Nini ground, funded by grants from Moondance £20,000, Welsh Government £250,000, National Lottery £217,021, Bailey Thomas charitable Fund £20,000.

The Dog Run
Covered run build grant received from Pets at home £10,000 Income to be released in line with depreciation.

National Lottery - Awards for All
Grant received to assist the purchase of the effluent plant. Grant is to be released to unrestricted reserves.

Lottery Grant
Croeso grant which purchased furniture and equipment to welcome back the volunteer. Income to be released in line with depreciation.

Heritage Lottery Grant
Grant income recognised relates to travel, promotion and staff expenses. The majority of the grant has been deferred due to the performance condition relating to the employment of a Community Heritage Engagement Officer being met in January 2024.

Other
Included within Other restricted grants are following:
Dwr Cymru Community grant £450,
MYG (Car park) £572,
Welsh Cafe £1,800.

28. Statement of funds (continued)

Statement of funds – prior year

	Balance at 1 January 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2022 £
Unrestricted funds						
Designated funds						
Shop rent	200,000	-	-	-	-	200,000
Cardiff rehoming facility	500,000	-	-	-	-	500,000
Fixed asset fund	979,466	-	-	452,418	-	1,431,884
Centre upgrade	100,000	-	-	-	-	100,000
Dog run	100,000	-	-	-	-	100,000
	1,879,466	-	-	452,418	-	2,331,884
General funds						
General Funds - all funds	2,291,969	2,077,655	(1,729,019)	(452,418)	-	2,188,187
Total Unrestricted funds	4,171,435	2,077,655	(1,729,019)	-	-	4,520,071

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	Balance at 1 January 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2022 £
Restricted funds						
Capital grant	389,584	-	(15,581)	-	-	374,003
Pets at Home	-	10,000	-	-	-	10,000
Playground Shelter	12,348	-	(928)	-	-	11,420
Pet Plan	4,060	-	(170)	-	-	3,890
National Lottery Awards for All	1,199	-	(760)	-	-	439
RSPCA Cardiff & District Branch	4,000	-	-	-	-	4,000
Welsh Government Community Grant (Ysgubor)	-	250,000	-	-	-	250,000
National Lottery - Ysgubor	-	210,583	-	-	-	210,583
National Lottery - Volunteer grant	-	6,438	(793)	-	-	5,645
HSBC	4,974	-	(2,487)	-	-	2,487
Moondance Foundation	46,000	-	(2,000)	-	-	44,000
Millenium Stadium Charitable Trust	4,614	-	-	-	-	4,614
Ysgubor - Moondance	20,000	-	-	-	-	20,000
National Lottery - Award for all	7,600	-	(2,000)	-	-	5,600

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	Balance at 1 January 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2022 £
Bailey Thomas (Ysgubor)	-	20,000	-	-	-	20,000
Dwr Cymru	80	-	(80)	-	-	-
People's Postcode Lottery	845	-	(845)	-	-	-
Payroll funding	-	105,635	(105,635)	-	-	-
	495,304	602,656	(131,279)	-	-	966,681

29. Summary of funds

Summary of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 January 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2023 £
Designated funds	**2,331,884**	**-**	**-**	**(100,000)**	**-**	**2,231,884**
General funds	**2,188,187**	**2,289,101**	**(1,858,868)**	**100,000**	**147,874**	**2,866,294**
Restricted funds	**966,681**	**261,103**	**(45,874)**	**-**	**-**	**1,181,910**
	5,486,752	**2,550,204**	**(1,904,742)**	**-**	**147,874**	**6,280,088**

30. Operating lease commitments

At 31 December 2023 the Charity had commitments to make future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	2023 £	*2022 £*
Not later than 1 year	**116,400**	*68,650*
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	**135,013**	*135,932*
	251,413	*204,582*

31. Leases (Continued)

31. Lessor

£ £

At the reporting end date the charity had contracted with tenants for the following minimum lease payments:

	2023	2022
	£	£
Within one year	33,000	76,000
Between two and five years	132,000	132,000
Over five years	343,750	334,583
	508,750	542,583

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32. Capital Commitments

There are no capital commitments at the balance sheet date (2022: £126,471).

33. Comparatives for Balance Sheet

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
Fixed Assets				
Tangible Assets	1,431,881	492,338	1,924,219	1,446,158
Investments	1,865,157		1,865,157	1,570,205
	3,297,038	**492,338**	**3,789,376**	**3,016,363**
Current Assets		-	-	-
Stocks	16,648		16,648	13,652
Debtors	506,403	474,343	980,746	372,255
Cash at bank	889,163		889,163	1,427,846
	1,412,214	**474,343**	**1,886,557**	**1,813,753**
Creditors Amounts falling within one year	(189,181)		(189,181)	(163,377)
Net current asset	1,223,033	474,343	1,697,376	1,650,376
Total assets less current liabilities	**4,520,071**	**966,681**	**5,486,752**	**4,666,739**
Income Funds				
Restricted Funds		966,681	966,681	495,304
Unrestricted Funds				
Designated Funds	2,331,884		2,331,884	1,879,466
Unrestricted funds	2,188,187		2,188,187	2,291,969
	4,520,071	**966,681**	**5,486,752**	**4,666,739**

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34. Related party transactions

These have been disclosed within notes 14, 15 and 16.

In the prior year donations from trustees totalling £160 were received without conditions attached. We identified none in 2023.

35. Post Balance Sheet Events

The Charity merged with the Carmarthen Branch on 31 May 2024.

36. Current year balance sheet split between funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
Fixed Assets				
Tangible Assets	1,697,001	699,684	2,396,685	1,924,219
Investments	2,005,852	-	2,005,852	1,865,157
	3,702,853	**699,684**	**4,402,537**	**3,789,376**
Current Assets				
Stocks	19,122	-	19,122	16,648
Debtors	868,996	58,053	927,049	980,746
Cash at bank	752,167	476,396	1,228,563	889,163
	1,640,285	**534,449**	**2,174,734**	**1,886,557**
Creditors Amounts falling within one year	(223,080)	(52,223)	(275,303)	(189,181)
Net current asset	1,417,205	482,226	1,899,431	1,697,376
Total assets less current liabilities	**5,120,058**	**1,181,910**	**6,301,968**	**5,486,752**
Income Funds				
Restricted Funds	-	1,181,910	1,181,910	966,681
Unrestricted Funds				
Designated Funds	2,231,884		2,231,884	2,331,884
Unrestricted funds	2,888,174		2,888,174	2,188,187
	5,120,058	**1,181,910**	**6,301,968**	**5,486,752**

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ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARDIFF TO SWANSEA

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

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TRUSTEES REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)".

Objectives and activities

The RSPCA Llys Nini Branch is an unincorporated charitable association and a separately registered branch of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (the Society), carrying out its direct animal welfare work in the unitary authorities of Swansea, Neath Port Talbot, Bridgend, some areas within Rhondda Cynon Taf Powys and Cardiff. However, when able, it takes in animals from the whole of South and West Wales.

The objects of the Branch are to promote the work and objects of the Society - to promote kindness and to prevent or suppress cruelty to animals by all lawful means - with particular reference to the area of the Branch, in accordance with the policies of the Society.

The aim of the branch is to provide a committed welfare service to both domestic and wildlife animals in the South Wales area – to rescue, rehabilitate and rehome as many animals that need our assistance following neglect, mistreatment or who are unwanted in the home. We endeavour to promote responsibility for animals and environment through the education of children via school visits.

In order to meet its aims and objectives, the branch operates from a 78-acre farmland on the outskirts of Swansea, with facilities to provide the care for animals brought into the centre. The capacity of the centre is 57 dogs and 102 cats, 100 miscellaneous plus pups and kittens at any one time. The facilities allow the animals to be provided with the peace and tranquility they often require as they go through rehabilitation. The branch works closely with the local RSPCA inspectorate providing the support and space for them to provide their services. The branch also works closely with St James Veterinary Group to provide its veterinary services for the branch animals and also works with a number of volunteers to help with the animals at the Centre, in the shops and out on the site, providing much needed hands-on experience and assistance.

Meeting the public benefit reporting requirement of the Charities Act

The trustees have reviewed the outcomes and achievements of the objectives and activities for the year, to ensure they remain focused on the charitable aims, and continue to deliver benefits to the public. In deciding what activities the Branch should undertake, the trustees have complied with the duty under the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Commission.

Under the Charities Act 2011, the advancement of animal welfare is recognised as a distinct statutory charitable purpose. This legislation and the Animal Welfare Act 2006 indicate an acceptance by society that treating living creatures with compassion has a moral benefit for the public as a whole. Whilst this public benefit is clear, it is sometimes difficult to quantify and must be balanced against any detriment.

The Branch’s animal welfare work, although local in nature, benefits society at large, and also aims to help people in need with the care of their animals. All the charitable activities, as described in more detail in the following pages of this report, focus on promoting kindness and preventing or suppressing cruelty to animals and are undertaken to further these purposes for the public benefit.

The opportunity for free use of the Llys Nini site to the local and wider community, and our partnership working with other agencies in the delivery of educational opportunities and volunteering and training for people at risk of social exclusion, in addition to our environmental work, demonstrates our commitment to being a holistic charity. We recognise that animals can also have a positive effect on people’s wellbeing and offer the socialisation of humans with the animals.

As an active RSPCA Branch, we support our local Inspectors by taking in mistreated or abandoned animals, including pets whose owners suffer ill health or financial difficulties or pass away.

The Branch provides subsidised veterinary treatment for animals which are sick or injured and who belong to branch area people on low incomes through a voucher scheme. Subsidised neutering and micro-chipping of cats is also provided for those in the Branch area on low incomes working in collaboration with the Cats' Protection. This work helps to control cat populations through neutering and benefits those on means tested benefits by giving them financial help to neuter and microchip cats, thereby promoting responsible pet ownership.

Animals in our care receive veterinary treatment, vaccination, neutering, micro-chipping and are assessed for re-homing. This work helps to control the spread of disease and suffering.

The Branch re-homes animals in need to people willing and able to have a companion animal. Whilst we recognise that companion animals provide measurable benefits to people's physical and mental health, we consider the provision of pets as subsidiary to the main charitable aim of this service, which is to reduce animal suffering. Our policy to charge a reasonable adoption fee for animals aims to highlight the on-going personal and financial commitment of pet ownership. It would not be in the best interests of animals, and therefore would fall outside our objects, to re-home to those who could not afford them.

The Branch also provides, free of charge, advertising of lost and found animals and, through our Facebook, Instagram and Twitter accounts, takes steps to reunite them with owners. This work benefits our local community (including local authorities) by preventing animals straying and posing a risk to themselves and to people through road traffic accidents.

The Branch responds to enquiries from the public about animals locally.

The public benefits from knowing that we can intervene to assist animals in need; offer free animal care advice on the phone and on our website; and promotion of responsible pet ownership.

We provide volunteering and training opportunities for those who wish to support our work, which benefits local people and companies by providing the possibility of doing work which is compassionate and rewarding in addition to learning new skills.

We recycle and reuse hundreds of kilos of unwanted textiles and other materials that would otherwise go to landfill. We provide good quality low cost clothing and household items to the public through our shops and also provide, free of charge, essential clothes and when available other items to rough sleepers and homeless people through the appropriate agencies.

Achievements and performance

2022 continued to be another challenging year in all sorts of way. Our charity shops have risen to the challenge of the high street and fared reasonably well. There was still some much welcomed grant assistance provided by the Welsh Government at the start of the year as the effects of COVID still lingered on. The number of volunteers at both the shops and at the Centre were, and still are, much lower than in pre COVID times. In conjunction with the WCVA , we joined the Kickstart scheme to help 18 – 24 year old young adults gain valuable work experience and training in order to pave their way into future employment. We supported 17 workers in the 9 month period, and at the end of the scheme we employed 5 of them. Although the scheme has now ended, we are still working with the Job Centre and other organisations to provide work experience and placements for those who wish to gain experience and the confidence to work.

The Animal Centre continued to be busy – the intake of animals increased and we worked closely with the Inspectorate and Trading Standards, boarding a number of case animals for some months. At the start of the year we held 72 animals and by the year end, we had 120 animals in our care.

In 2022, Llys Nini accepted 384 (2021: 344) animals into the centre, most of whom had been rescued by RSPCA inspectors and were in poor health. Our dedicated staff nursed the majority of them back to health and had re-homed 284 of them (2021: 273). Llys Nini continues to provide welfare assistance throughout the branch area via a voucher scheme. In 2022, in addition to the branch animals taken in, Llys Nini helped 414 animals by means of welfare assistance, 1,491 animals were neutered, 1,162 were microchipped.

It is the branch's policy that no healthy and re-homeable animal should be euthanised.

The branch has continued to work with the Cats Protection and have neutered a large number of cats within the Branch area. The scheme offers neutering and micro-chipping to cats belonging to people on low incomes. There has also been a high-profile advertising campaign via social media to promote this scheme. The Cat neutering programme this year saw 1,491 cats neutered and microchipped within the branch area.

The St James Veterinary Clinic on our site continues to be a huge help to the branch, cutting down on costs and has been much better for the animals needing the Vet treatments or check- ups.

The Conservation area continues to thrive with regular sightings of ducks, kingfishers, heron, bats, foxes and owls visiting our site.

The paths and boardwalks are continually being maintained so that people can come and enjoy the green spaces. The Safeguarding Officer has also continued working with people with disabilities, helping them to contribute to the development of the site and the wildlife. The site has also been awarded a Community Green Flag Award for a seventh year. Our bird hide is a good place to view the wildlife on the pond.

During 2022, there has been much building work undertaken and will be completed by June 2023. There were some delays due to planning issues, but once all the formalities were completed, the buildings sprung up. The first building is a much needed covered all weather dog run for our most vulnerable dogs to exercise in the poor weather. This build has been funded by grants from The Pets at Home Foundation and Petplan Charitable Trust, but the majority of the build and fittings has been paid from a very generous legacy of the late Meirion Evans who was a life-long dog lover, and whom we will be naming the building after. This project was managed in house by one of our Team Mr Tony Ellis and our thanks go to him for all the hard work he has put into this project. The second build is the Ysgubor project which has been covered by Grants from the Welsh Government, National Lottery, Moondance and Bailey Thomas Charitable Fund, and our thanks go out to our Chair, Sally Hyman for the enormous amount of work she has put in to secure these grants. The purpose of this build is that of a Community hub – hosting a café, an activity area for a variety of events, a classroom, a donation processing area, all of which will help us increase the revenue streams, develop our animal welfare activities, all whilst helping the community and helping protect the environment.

Volunteers have slowly come back on site again following the Covid restrictions – cat socialising, dog walking, shop staff and fundraising preparation.

Our fundraising team continue to work tirelessly to raise the much needed funds and the events held during the year were well supported, in particular the Easter Egg Trails and hunt, DOTY, Gnoll Park show, Halloween week, and Mutt Strutts. They go out shaking the collection boxes and they update and maintain the Facebook, Instagram and twitter pages to ensure that we have a large number of followers to champion the good work we do. We thank them for that they do.

The Trustees of RSPCA Llys Nini would like to record their gratitude to all branch staff, volunteers, supporters and partner organisations. The Branch is a voluntary organisation and without this level of mutual support would not be able to function for the benefit of people and animals.

Financial review
The Branch's results for the year are set out on the Statement of Financial Activities on page 16.

The Branch has resulted a surplus of £820,013 (2021: surplus £331,173) recorded for the year. The surplus in both 2022 and 2021 are due to the large value of grants and legacy income received and recognised in the year.

Income
Donations and gift aid income has decreased from the previous year from £180,659 to £118,153. There were a number of large one-off donations made in 2021 and a number of appeals made for donations.

Legacy income has increased on the previous year from £247,849 to £540,863. Legacy income is an unpredictable source of income, but from which the branch has continued to benefit greatly from over the past few years. None of the income is restricted other than to support the work we do with animals within our branch area.

The charity shops have now returned to “normal” trading and are an important part of our fundraising team. Sadly, we closed our Wellfield Road, Cardiff shop in May, but there are always plans to seek alternative premises when they are in the right place and at the right time. During the year, as previously mentioned, the shops were able to benefit from the retail grants available to help the high street retailers recover from the effects of COVID. Staffing of the shops has been a real challenge this year, along with the reduction in volunteers. However the support from the public to provide clothes and bric a brac donations has once again been magnificent.

Money market income has decreased due to the poor market conditions, resulting in poor returns on the investments held and low dividends received.

The movement in unrealised gains/losses (where market value is higher/lower than actual cost of investments) amounted to £103,803 loss (2021: £53,675 gain). The investment market at the year end was quite volatile due to the energy crisis and cost of living crisis, and general economic events

During the year, the charity had not disposed of any assets. The profit on disposals in 2021 amounted to £3,578.

Income generated from other activities included rent from the Veterinary Clinic, Groomers, Beekeepers and Wildflower sites together with the rent for the solar field.

Expenditure
Salaries continue to be the main category of charitable expenditure; £480,878 (2021: £375,834) for the direct caring of animals and the environment; £528,862 (2021: £404,857) for the shop workers and administration of shops and £42,957 (2021: £41,771) for fundraising team. Salaries of the Branch Executive and Finance manager are allocated per proportion of their time covering the areas of the branch activities.

Support costs include charges by HQ to cover the legal & administrative costs relating to the legacy income.

The charity generated an unrestricted surplus (excluding gain on investments) of £452,439 for the year ended 31 December 2022 (2021: £270,687).

The trustees are committed to provide animal welfare services at Llys Nini and to operate welfare assistance schemes throughout the extended branch area.

In order to maximise income generation, the charity plans to continue to manage its land for biodiversity and to develop a “green” visitors’ attraction. These plans will use none of the charity’s funds but will rely on money from other sources, including various grants.

The Trustees are committed to the Environmental work on the site and are working with a number of organisations such as Forest Schools to encourage the young people to enjoy the wildlife. The Swansea Beekeepers Society also continues to work on site. Celtic Wildflowers is using the Centre as a location in which to grow native wildflower plants and trees, which in itself will be a benefit to the wildlife at the Centre. We continue to look at other organisations to work with to use the land for the benefit of the environment.

The Trustees also seek to increase revenue generated from its shops operation by making its existing shops more profitable and efficient and potentially looking for further shops to invest in.

Work building up awareness in the Cardiff area is slow in developing. There is still a keen interest in setting up a rehoming centre/shop in Cardiff but this has been hindered by the lack of suitable and affordable property in the area.

“Yr Ysgubor” community build project should be up and running mid way through 2023. This will increase our opportunity to fundraise and increase awareness of what we do. The café facility should bring in more visitors. The promotion of the Welsh language is also important within the facility so we will be encouraging staff and visitors to speak more Welsh.

The Covered Dog Run should also be operational in 2023, so that our canine residents (and responsible carers) can exercise in the dry and less muddy conditions. The cost of the build has been met through grants and a legacy donation. We have also have designated £100,000 from our funds to upgrade some of the animal accommodation facilities.

Structure, governance and management

Governing Document

The organisation is an unincorporated charity, registered with the Charity Commission on 21 August 1963, and operates as an autonomous branch of the RSPCA, subject to its rules for branches (as updated in 2012).

In August 2016 the Trustees obtained an order from the Charity Commission to incorporate the charity trustees as a body incorporate under the power given in section 251 of the Charities Act 2011. This means that all property of the charity is transferred to the incorporated body. Its governing document encompasses the rules adopted on 18 February 2009 as amended on 8 April 2017.

Recruitment and Appointment of Management Committee

The charity is governed by a minimum of 5 to a maximum of 14 elected Trustees, appointed annually by way of a members’ ballot, which is held at the Annual General Meeting. All trustees are briefed on their responsibilities as Trustees by the Chair of Trustees and have access to the online Trustee Handbook and RSPCA guidelines together with the appropriate Charity Commission publications. There is no requirement for trustees to retire by rotation.

All trustees are deemed to be “fit and proper persons” and eligible to be trustees of RSPCA Llys Nini.

Organisational Structure

The trustees generally hold monthly meetings at which decisions on policy and practice are made. The day-to-day running of the Animal Centre is delegated to the Animal Centre Manager, and the day-to-day running of the shops is delegated to the Area Shop Manager and to the individual shops’ managers. The Branch Executive and the Finance Manager are the lead professionals, line managing the middle management team and, with the Chair, managing the running of the branch as a whole.

A register of Trustee interests is maintained at the branch and is available to the public for review.

Pay policy for Key Management Personnel

The trustees consider that the senior management team, comprised of the key management personnel of the charity, are in charge of directing and controlling, running and operating the branch on a day-to-day basis. All trustees give of their time freely and no trustee received remuneration in the year. Details of trustee expenses, key management personnel and related party transactions are disclosed in note 11 and 12 to the accounts.

The pay of the senior staff is reviewed annually and normally increased in accordance with average earnings. In view of the nature of the charity, the trustees’ benchmark against pay levels in other charities of a similar size and operating in the same sector. The remuneration is benchmarked using market data which is readily available.

Reference and administrative details

Registered charity name	Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Llys Nini Branch - Cardiff to Swansea
Known as	RSPCA, Llys Nini Branch - Cardiff to Swansea
Charity number	224337
Principal office	Llys Nini Animal Centre Penllergaer Swansea SA4 9WB
President	Martin Trainer
Vice Presidents	Joe and Lacey Allen Kevin Johns Peter Black
Trustees	Sally Hyman (Chair) Jill Fordham (Vice Chair) - Resigned 07/06/22 Claire Chappell (Secretary) Iwan Rees - Coopted 26/07/22 Alison Spence Howard Spence Steve Wilson - Resigned 07/06/22 Robert Davies Deirdre Magoris - Resigned 07/06/22 Rebecca Miles Rev Elaine Jenkyns - Resigned 07/06/22 Rev Stephen Jenkyns - Resigned 07/06/22 Jean Rawlings Darren Lovering - Co-opted 26/07/22 Amanda Simisker - Co-opted 23/08/22
Auditors	Azets Audit Services Ty Derw Lime Tree Court Cardiff Gate Business Park Cardiff CF23 8AB
Bankers and portfolio managers	Barclays Bank Plc 70 The Kingsway Swansea SA1 5JB
Investment advisors	Watermark Financial Planning 1st Floor 98 Walter Road Swansea SA1 5QJ

	Brewin Dolphin 5 Callaghan Square Cardiff CF10 5BT
Legal advsiors	JCP Solicitiors Swansea Enterprise Park Venture Court Waterside Business Park Valley Way Swansea SA6 8AH
Key management personnel	Mr David Stokes - Branch Executive Mrs Claire Phillips - Branch Finance Manager Mr Gary Weeks - Animal Centre Manager Mrs Kim Williams - Area Shop Manager

The trustees report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

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S Hyman
Chair
Dated: 5/6/23

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

The trustees 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).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that year.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;

- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and

- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping sufficient accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARDIFF TO SWANSEA

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARDIFF TO SWANSEA

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Llys Nini Branch - Cardiff to Swansea (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 December 2022 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet, the statement of cash flows and the notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 December 2022 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements* section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the trustees report; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the statement of trustees responsibilities, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditor under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud
Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above and on the Financial Reporting Council's website, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud.

We obtain and update our understanding of the entity, its activities, its control environment, and likely future developments, including in relation to the legal and regulatory framework applicable and how the entity is complying with that framework. Based on this understanding, we identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. This includes consideration of the risk of acts by the entity that were contrary to applicable laws and regulations, including fraud.

In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations, including fraud, we designed procedures which included:

- Enquiry of management and those charged with governance around actual and potential litigation and claims as well as actual, suspected and alleged fraud;
- Reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance;
- Assessing the extent of compliance with the laws and regulations considered to have a direct material effect on the financial statements or the operations of the entity through enquiry and inspection;
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- Performing audit work over the risk of management bias and override of controls, including testing of journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions outside the normal course of business and reviewing accounting estimates for indicators of potential bias.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

Other matters
Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared financial statements in accordance with "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)" (as amended) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn.

This has been done in order for the financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with current Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

TO THE TRUSTEES OF ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARDIFF TO SWANSEA

Use of our report

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. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Azets Audit Services

24 October 2023

Chartered Accountants
Statutory Auditor

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Cardiff
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Azets Audit Services is eligible for appointment as auditor of the charity by virtue of its eligibility for appointment as auditor of a company under section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARDIFF TO SWANSEA

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total 2021 £
Income and endowments from:							
Donations and legacies	**3**	659,016	-	659,016	408,508	20,000	428,508
Charitable activities	**4**	273,118	602,656	875,774	220,698	108,397	329,095
Other trading activities	**5**	1,140,202	-	1,140,202	881,117	-	881,117
Investments	**6**	5,319	-	5,319	4,119	-	4,119
Other income	**7**	-	-	-	3,578	-	3,578
Total income		2,077,655	602,656	2,680,311	1,518,020	128,397	1,646,417
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds	**8**	905,242	82,632	987,874	632,072	89,123	721,195
Charitable activities	**9**	719,974	48,647	768,621	615,261	32,463	647,724
Total expenditure		1,625,216	131,279	1,756,495	1,247,333	121,586	1,368,919
Net gains/(losses) on investments	**13**	(103,803)	-	(103,803)	53,675	-	53,675
Net movement in funds		348,636	471,377	820,013	324,362	6,811	331,173
Fund balances at 1 January 2022		4,171,435	495,304	4,666,739	3,847,073	488,493	4,335,566
Fund balances at 31 December 2022		4,520,071	966,681	5,486,752	4,171,435	495,304	4,666,739

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARDIFF TO SWANSEA

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Notes	2022 £	2022 £	2021 £	2021 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	**14**		1,924,219		1,446,158
Investments	**15**		1,865,157		1,570,205
			3,789,376		3,016,363
Current assets					
Stocks	**17**	16,648		13,652	
Debtors	**18**	980,746		372,255	
Cash at bank and in hand		889,163		1,427,846	
		1,886,557		1,813,753	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	**19**	(189,181)		(163,377)	
Net current assets			1,697,376		1,650,376
Total assets less current liabilities			5,486,752		4,666,739
Income funds					
Restricted funds	**22**		966,681		495,304
Unrestricted funds					
Designated funds	**23**	2,331,884		1,879,466	
General unrestricted funds		2,188,187		2,291,969	
			4,520,071		4,171,435
			5,486,752		4,666,739

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 30.5.23

J. C. Rawlings
~~Ivan Rees~~ Jean Rawlings
Trustee

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Chair

ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARDIFF TO SWANSEA

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Notes	2022 £	2022 £	2021 £	2021 £
Cash flows from operating activities					
Cash generated from operations	**28**		407,315		253,348
Investing activities					
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(552,562)		(33,393)	
Proceeds on disposal of tangible fixed assets		-		6,726	
Purchase of investments		(1,039,588)		-	
Proceeds on disposal of investments		640,833		(1,652)	
Investment income received		5,319		4,119	
Net cash used in investing activities			(945,998)		(24,200)
Net cash used in financing activities			-		-
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents			(538,683)		229,148
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			1,427,846		1,198,698
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year			889,163		1,427,846

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Llys Nini Branch - Cardiff to Swansea is an unincorporated charity whose principal office is Llys Nini Animal Centre, Penllergaer, Swansea, SA4 9WB.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Designated funds comprise funds which have been set aside at the discretion of the trustees for specific purposes. The purposes and uses of the designated funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

1 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included in these accounts. Donated goods are recognised at their value when the sale takes place.

Income from grants, whether 'capital' grants or 'revenue' grants, is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred, Capital grants are released to the Statement of Financial Activities in the year of receipt. Fixed assets relating to capital grants are capitalised, and depreciation charged is offset against grant income, in a restricted fund.

Income from charitable trading activities represents fees charged in respect of the adoption and treatment of animals, the provision of boarding facilities and claim fees for recovered pets, these income streams are credited to the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which they are due. Income received in advance is deferred to the appropriate financial year.

Charity shop and other miscellaneous income is recognised in the period when the sale takes place.

Rental and solar farm income is recognised in the period to which the service is provided.

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank.

1.5 Resources expended

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 is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges are allocated on the portion of the asset’s use.

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

Costs of raising funds comprise the costs in relation to generating income such as fundraising activities.

Expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs relating to the furtherance of the charity's objectives as stated in the trustees report.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories in the Statement of Financial Activities on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource. Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly while others are apportioned on an appropriate basis, as set out in the support costs note.

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

1 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Freehold land	Nil
Buildings	2% per annum straight line
Building improvements	10% per annum straight line
Fixtures and fittings	4-33% per annum straight line
Clinic equipment	10% per annum reducing balance
Motor vehicles	20% per annum straight line

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

Buildings under construction are accounted for at cost, based on direct costs incurred to 31 March. They are not depreciated until the accounting period in which they are brought into use.

Individual fixed assets costing £250 or more are capitalised at cost.

1.7 Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting date. Changes in fair value are recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

1.8 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

1.9 Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell. Cost comprises direct materials and, where applicable, direct labour costs and those overheads that have been incurred in bringing the stocks to their present location and condition. Items held for distribution at no or nominal consideration are measured the lower of replacement cost and cost.

Donated goods for sale are not valued.

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price less all estimated costs of completion and costs to be incurred in marketing, selling and distribution.

1.10 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

1.11 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Derecognition of financial assets

Financial assets are derecognised only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire or are settled, or when the charity transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to another entity, or if some significant risks and rewards of ownership are retained but control of the asset has transferred to another party that is able to sell the asset in its entirety to an unrelated third party.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.12 Employee benefits

The costs of short-term employee benefits are recognised as a liability and an expense, unless those costs are required to be recognised as part of the cost of stock or fixed assets.

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

1.13 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

1 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

1.14 Leases

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to expenditure on a straight line basis over the term of the relevant lease.

Rentals due under operating leases are charged to income on a straight line basis over the term of the relevant lease.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

The charity does not have any key or significant accounting estimates.

3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
	2022	2021	2021	2021
	£	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	118,153	160,659	20,000	180,659
Legacies receivable	540,863	247,849	-	247,849
	659,016	408,508	20,000	428,508

4 Charitable activities

	2022	2021
	£	£
Adoptions, claiming and housing	212,752	64,370
Clinic and miscellaneous receipts	21,069	6,839
Grants received	641,953	257,886
	875,774	329,095
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	273,118	220,698
Restricted funds	602,656	108,397
	875,774	329,095
Grants		
Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme	-	78,388
Retail Support grants	36,000	145,000
Welsh Government	250,000	-
National Lottery	217,021	-
Pets at Home - Vouchers	3,296	2,489
Adoption for Pets Support	-	2,000
PET	-	800
Myndydd y Gwair	-	13,276
Kickstart	102,397	15,933
Bailey Thomas Charitable Fund	20,000	-
Pets at Home	10,000	-
Pathways	3,238	-
	641,953	257,886

5 Other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2022	2021
	£	£
Charity shops	941,057	673,591
Special events	112,899	134,988
Rent income	62,613	58,223
Miscellaneous	23,633	14,315
Other trading activities	1,140,202	881,117

6 Investments

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2022	2021
	£	£
Money market interest	1,150	2,669
Interest receivable	4,169	1,450
	5,319	4,119

7 Other income

	Total	Unrestricted funds
	2022	2021
	£	£
Net gain on disposal of tangible fixed assets	-	3,578

8 Raising funds

	Unrestricted funds	**Restricted funds**	**Total**	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
	2022	**2022**	**2022**	2021	2021	2021
	£	**£**	**£**	£	£	£
Rent, rates, light and heat	226,096	-	226,096	180,440	-	180,440
Insurance	5,506	-	5,506	7,975	-	7,975
Maintenance and repairs	28,334	-	28,334	6,240	-	6,240
Waste disposal and cleaning	14,565	-	14,565	9,811	-	9,811
Advertising	69	-	69	-	-	-
Other fundraising costs	9,185	-	9,185	16,631	-	16,631
Staff costs	489,187	82,632	571,819	350,088	89,123	439,211
Support costs	90,730	-	90,730	30,723	-	30,723
Shop goods for resale	32,752	-	32,752	22,253	-	22,253
Postage, stationery and telephone	2,951	-	2,951	2,942	-	2,942
Governance support costs	3,986	-	3,986	4,568	-	4,568
Investment management	1,881	-	1,881	401	-	401
	905,242	82,632	987,874	632,072	89,123	721,195

9 Charitable activities

	2022	2021
	£	£
Staff costs	480,878	375,834
Rent, rates, light and heat	50,920	25,091
Insurance	2,566	2,848
Maintenance and repairs	19,461	17,040
Waste disposal and cleaning	21,202	16,307
Telephone	2,628	2,701
Travel and subsistence	684	430
Shop goods for resale	15,361	13,824
Vet fees, medicine and welfare costs	100,424	73,789
Food and pet supplies	18,646	9,418
Postage, stationery, computer costs and advertising	8,208	8,702
Staff training	749	391
Staff uniforms	2,302	2,121
Miscellaneous costs	1,305	413
	725,334	548,909
Share of support costs (see note 10)	38,360	94,247
Share of governance costs (see note 10)	4,927	4,568
	768,621	647,724
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	719,974	
Restricted funds	48,647	
	768,621	

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

10 Support costs

	Support costs	**Governance costs**	**2022**	Support costs	Governance costs	2021
	£	**£**	**£**	£	£	£
Depreciation	74,500	-	74,500	92,190	-	92,190
Bank and credit card charges	15,932	-	15,932	12,887	-	12,887
Professional charges	23,836	-	23,836	12,755	-	12,755
Contribution to HQ and region	968	-	968	7,138	-	7,138
Irrecoverable VAT	13,854	-	13,854	-	-	-
Audit fees	-	5,150	5,150	-	4,875	4,875
Outreach work	-	2,822	2,822	-	1,991	1,991
Accountancy fees	-	941	941	-	2,270	2,270
	129,090	8,913	138,003	124,970	9,136	134,106
Analysed between						
Fundraising	90,730	3,986	94,716	30,723	4,568	35,291
Charitable activities	38,360	4,927	43,287	94,247	4,568	98,815
	129,090	8,913	138,003	124,970	9,136	134,106

11 Trustees

Expenses of £nil (2021: £206) were reimbursed to trustees during the year. The prior year reimbursement was in relation to 1 trustee, for reimbursement of charitable expenditure.

No trustee received remuneration during the current or prior year.

During the year donations from trustees totalling £160 (2021: £nil) were received without conditions attached.

12 Employees

Number of employees
The average monthly number of employees during the year was: 61 (2021: 55).

The average monthly number of full time equivalent employees during the year was:

	2022 Number	2021 Number
Management and administration	7	7
Animal care	26	21
Shops	23	21
	56	49

Employment costs	2022 £	2021 £
Wages and salaries	968,347	754,114
Social security costs	59,072	43,130
Other pension costs	25,278	17,801
	1,052,697	815,045

Key management personnel
The key management personnel of the charity in 2022 and in 2021 are the Branch Executive, the Branch Finance Manager, the Centre Manager, the Area Shop Manager and the trustees. The total benefits of the key management personnel of the branch were £162,112 (2021: £142,693).

Redundancy and other payments
The charity made redundancy payments of £10,062 during the year (2021: £3,030) during the year. No balances were outstanding at the year end (2021: £nil).

Employees earning > £60k
There were no employees whose annual remuneration was £60,000 or more.

13 Net gains/(losses) on investments

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Unrestricted funds 2021 £
Revaluation of investments	(103,803)	53,675

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

14 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land	Assets under construction	Fixtures and fittings	Clinic equipment	Motor vehicles	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Cost						
At 1 January 2022	2,116,116	-	952,791	4,125	25,814	3,098,846
Additions	-	522,145	30,417	-	-	552,562
At 31 December 2022	2,116,116	522,145	983,208	4,125	25,814	3,651,408
Depreciation and impairment						
At 1 January 2022	921,952	-	712,975	4,125	13,637	1,652,689
Depreciation charged in the year	33,961	-	37,975	-	2,564	74,500
At 31 December 2022	955,913	-	750,950	4,125	16,201	1,727,189
Carrying amount						
At 31 December 2022	1,160,203	522,145	232,258	-	9,613	1,924,219
At 31 December 2021	1,194,165	-	239,816	-	12,177	1,446,158

15 Fixed asset investments

	Listed investments	Cash in portfolio	Total
	£		£
Cost or valuation			
At 1 January 2022	1,564,210	5,995	1,570,205
Additions	1,039,588	-	1,039,588
Valuation changes	(103,803)	-	(103,803)
Cash movement	-	13,203	13,203
Disposals	(654,036)	-	(654,036)
At 31 December 2022	1,845,959	19,198	1,865,157
Carrying amount			
At 31 December 2022	1,845,959	19,198	1,865,157
At 31 December 2021	1,564,210	5,995	1,570,205

16 Financial instruments

	2022	2021
	£	£
Carrying amount of financial assets		
Instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss	1,849,225	1,514,878

17 Stocks

	2022	2021
	£	£
Stock	16,648	13,652

18 Debtors

	2022	2021
Amounts falling due within one year:	£	£
Trade debtors	36,877	6,894
Other debtors	268,296	36,085
Prepayments and accrued income	675,573	329,276
	980,746	372,255

19 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
Other taxation and social security		29,321	19,791
Deferred income	**20**	-	9,000
Trade creditors		46,548	35,862
Other creditors		79,426	76,616
Accruals		33,886	22,108
		189,181	163,377

20 Deferred income

	2022 £	2021 £
Arising from grants	-	9,000

Deferred income is included in the financial statements as follows:

	2022 £	2021 £
Deferred income is included within:		
Current liabilities	-	9,000
Movements in the year:		
Deferred income at 1 January 2022	9,000	18,000
Released from previous periods	(9,000)	(18,000)
Resources deferred in the year	-	9,000
Deferred income at 31 December 2022	-	9,000

21 Retirement benefit schemes

Defined contribution schemes

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund.

The charge to profit or loss in respect of defined contribution schemes was £25,278 (2021: £17,801).

Amounts outstanding at the year end totalled £8,728 (2021: £11,766).

22 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

		Movement in funds			Movement in funds	
	Balance at 1 January 2021	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 1 January 2022	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 31 December 2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Capital grant	405,165	-	(15,581)	389,584	-	(15,581)	374,003
Pets at Home	-	-	-	-	10,000	-	10,000
Playground Shelter	-	13,276	(928)	12,348	-	(928)	11,420
Dwr Cymru	480	-	(400)	80	-	(80)	-
Department for Work and Pensions	206	-	(206)	-	-	-	-
Petplan	4,080	-	(20)	4,060	-	(170)	3,890
PET	-	800	(800)	-	-	-	-
National Lottery Awards for All	1,959	-	(760)	1,199	-	(760)	439
Kickstart	-	15,933	(15,933)	-	-	-	-
Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme	-	78,388	(78,388)	-	-	-	-
People's Postcode Lottery	2,928	-	(2,083)	845	-	(845)	-
Payroll funding	-	-	-	-	105,635	(105,635)	-
RSPCA Cardiff & District Branch	4,000	-	-	4,000	-	-	4,000
Welsh Government Community Grant - Ysgubor)	-	-	-	-	250,000	-	250,000
National Lottery - Ysgubor	-	-	-	-	210,583	-	210,583
National Lottery - Volunteer grant	-	-	-	-	6,438	(793)	5,645
HSBC	7,461	-	(2,487)	4,974	-	(2,487)	2,487
Moondance Foundation	48,000	-	(2,000)	46,000	-	(2,000)	44,000
Millenium Stadium Charitable Trust	4,614		-	4,614		-	4,614
Ysgubor	-	20,000	-	20,000	-	-	20,000
National Lottery - Awards for All	9,600		(2,000)	7,600		(2,000)	5,600
Bailey Thomas - Ysgubor	-	-	-	-	20,000	-	20,000
	488,493	128,397	(121,586)	495,304	(602,656)	(131,279)	966,681

22 Restricted funds **(Continued)**

Capital grant
A project to build a new animal centre at Llys Nini Farm, the Swansea Shop, upgrade to Centre and Centre Vet clinic. The grant is being released to unrestricted funds in line with the depreciation policy.

Pets at Home
This funding relates to vouchers provided by Pets At Home to purchase goods for the animals at the centre.

Ferret house build
Grants received to cover costs of the new build of the ferret house.

Playground Shelter
Funding provided by Mynydd yr Gwair to provide shelter and seating facilities for users of the playground and their parents.

Dwr Cymru
This was a community grant received for the purpose to use towards the cost of the effluent plant.

Department for Work and Pensions
For the purchase of specialist office equipment to meet certain staff needs. Income released to unrestricted reserves in line with depreciation policy.

Petplan
This grant was received to contribute to the cost of the effluent plant.

PET
Penllergaer Environmental Team assisting in the provision of equipment and facilities for the grounds people who work at Llys Nini site. Funding provided by the National Lottery. Use of a shed containing a vending machine for snacks and coffee, a compostable toilet and tables and chairs were funded.

National Lottery Awards for All
Grant received to assist the purchase of a coffee pod. Income released to unrestricted reserves when expended or if capitalised, in line with depreciation policy. Additional income was received this year to provide funding towards the safeguarding post.

22 Restricted funds **(Continued)**

Kickstart
Funding for training placements via the WVCA and the DWP for 16–25-year-olds to gain work experience to earn permanent work.

Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme
This funding was to support wages costs during the Covid-19 pandemic.

People's Postcode Lottery
Grant received to assist the purchase of stock fencing. Income released to unrestricted reserves when expended or if capitalised, in line with depreciation policy.

RSPCA Cardiff & District Branch
Reserve transferred from RSPCA Cardiff and District branch to purchase animal welfare equipment for the Cardiff district.

22 Restricted funds **(Continued)**

Neutering grant
Grant received to fund neutering program.

HSBC
Grant received to assist the purchase of the Marquee. Grant release to unrestricted reserves in line with depreciation policy.

Moondance Foundation
Grant received to assist the purchase of the effluent plant. Grant is to be released to unrestricted reserves in line with depreciation policy. The project has not yet started.

Millennium Stadium Charitable Trust
This grant was received to assist with the costs of the "Environmental Work - Bird Boxes" project.

Ysgubor
A project to build a Visitor Centre/Café/Donation hub in the Llys Nini grounds, funded by grants from Moondance £20,000, Welsh Government £250,000, National Lottery £217,021, Bailey Thomas charitable Fund £20,000. Income to be released in line with depreciation once built.

The Dog Run
Covered run build grant received from Pets at home £10,000 Income to be released in line with depreciation once built.

National Lottery - Awards for All
Grant received to assist the purchase of the effluent plant. Grant is to be released to unrestricted reserves in line with depreciation policy.

Lottery Grant
Croeso grant which purchased furniture and equipment to welcome back the volunteers. Income to be released in line with depreciation.

23 Designated funds

The income funds of the charity include the following designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes:

	Balance at 1 January 2021	Transfers	Balance at 1 January 2022	Transfers	Balance at 31 December 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Shop rent	200,000	-	200,000	-	200,000
Cardiff rehoming facility	500,000	-	500,000	-	500,000
Fixed asset fund	1,028,226	(48,760)	979,466	452,418	1,431,884
Centre upgrade	-	100,000	100,000	-	100,000
Dog run	-	100,000	100,000	-	100,000
	1,728,226	151,240	1,879,466	452,418	2,331,884

Shop rent
Commitments on rental payments for the various charity shops leased by the charity. Funds will be released when required by the charity.

Cardiff rehoming facility
The Trustees have designated funds to invest in a re-homing Centre in Cardiff to increase the profile within that area.

Fixed asset fund
Relates to the net book value of the charity's unrestricted fixed assets. Movement relates to additions, disposals and depreciation in the year.

Centre upgrade
General upgrade to the animal accommodation as necessary.

Dog run
Transforming the current hard-core run into a covered run for all weather training, socialising and exercising the dogs.

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24 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted 2022	**Designated 2022**	**Restricted 2022**	**Total 2022**	Unrestricted 2021	Designated 2021	Restricted 2021	Total 2021
	£	**£**	**£**	**£**	£	£	£	£
Fund balances at 31 December 2022 are represented by:								
Tangible assets	-	1,431,881	492,338	1,924,219	-	979,466	466,692	1,446,158
Investments	1,865,157	-	-	1,865,157	1,570,205	-	-	1,570,205
Current assets/(liabilities)	323,033	900,000	474,343	1,697,376	721,764	900,000	28,612	1,650,376
	2,188,190	2,331,881	966,681	5,486,752	2,291,969	1,879,466	495,304	4,666,739

25 Operating lease commitments

At the reporting end date the charity had outstanding commitments for future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases, which fall due as follows:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Within one year	68,650	92,279
Between two and five years	135,932	200,069
	292,348	292,348

Lessor

At the reporting end date the charity had contracted with tenants for the following minimum lease payments:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Within one year	76,000	76,000
Between two and five years	132,000	135,583
In over five years	334,583	407,000
	618,583	618,583

26 Capital commitments

	2022	2021
	£	£
At 31 December 2022 the charity had capital commitments as follows:		
Contracted for but not provided in the financial statements:		
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	126,471	-

27 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2021 - none).

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28 Cash generated from operations

	2022	2021
	£	£
Surplus for the year	820,013	331,173
Adjustments for:		
Investment income recognised in statement of financial activities	(5,319)	(4,119)
Gain on disposal of tangible fixed assets	-	(3,577)
Fair value gains and losses on investments	103,803	(53,675)
Depreciation and impairment of tangible fixed assets	74,500	92,190
Movements in working capital:		
(Increase)/decrease in stocks	(2,995)	711
(Increase) in debtors	(608,491)	(115,055)
Increase in creditors	34,804	14,700
(Decrease) in deferred income	(9,000)	(9,000)
Cash generated from operations	407,315	253,348

29 Analysis of changes in net funds

The charity had no debt during the year.

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ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARDIFF TO SWANSEA

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ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARDIFF TO SWANSEA

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ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARDIFF TO SWANSEA

TRUSTEES REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)".

Objectives and activities

The RSPCA Llys Nini Branch is an unincorporated charitable association and a separately registered branch of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (the Society), carrying out its direct animal welfare work in the unitary authorities of Swansea, Neath Port Talbot, Bridgend, some areas within Rhondda Cynon Taf Powys and Cardiff. However, when able, it takes in animals from the whole of South and West Wales.

The objects of the Branch are to promote the work and objects of the Society - to promote kindness and to prevent or suppress cruelty to animals by all lawful means - with particular reference to the area of the Branch, in accordance with the policies of the Society.

The aim of the branch is to provide a committed welfare service to both domestic and wildlife animals in the South Wales area – to rescue, rehabilitate and rehome as many animals that need our assistance following neglect, mistreatment or who are unwanted in the home. We endeavour to promote responsibility for animals and environment through the education of children via school visits.

In order to meet its aims and objectives, the branch operates from a 78-acre farmland on the outskirts of Swansea, with facilities to provide the care for animals brought into the centre. The capacity of the centre is 57 dogs and 102 cats, 100 miscellaneous plus pups and kittens at any one time. The facilities allow the animals to be provided with the peace and tranquillity they often require as they go through rehabilitation. The branch works closely with the local RSPCA inspectorate providing the support and space for them to provide their services. The branch also works closely with St James Veterinary Group to provide its veterinary services for the branch animals and also works with a number of volunteers to help with the animals at the Centre, in the shops and out on the site, providing much needed hands-on experience and assistance.

Meeting the public benefit reporting requirement of the Charities Act
The trustees have reviewed the outcomes and achievements of the objectives and activities for the year, to ensure they remain focused on the charitable aims, and continue to deliver benefits to the public. In deciding what activities the Branch should undertake, the trustees have complied with the duty under the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Commission.

Under the Charities Act 2011, the advancement of animal welfare is recognised as a distinct statutory charitable purpose. This legislation and the Animal Welfare Act 2006 indicate an acceptance by society that treating living creatures with compassion has a moral benefit for the public as a whole. Whilst this public benefit is clear, it is sometimes difficult to quantify and must be balanced against any detriment.

The Branch's animal welfare work, although local in nature, benefits society at large, and also aims to help people in need with the care of their animals. All the charitable activities, as described in more detail in the following pages of this report, focus on promoting kindness and preventing or suppressing cruelty to animals and are undertaken to further these purposes for the public benefit.

The opportunity for free use of the Llys Nini site to the local and wider community, and our partnership working with other agencies in the delivery of educational opportunities and volunteering and training for people at risk of social exclusion, in addition to our environmental work, demonstrates our commitment to being a holistic charity.

TRUSTEES REPORT (CONTINUED)

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As an active RSPCA Branch, we support our local Inspectors by taking in mistreated or abandoned animals, including pets whose owners suffer ill health or financial difficulties or pass away.

The Branch provides subsidised veterinary treatment for animals which are sick or injured and who belong to branch area people on low incomes through a voucher scheme. Subsidised neutering and micro-chipping of cats is also provided for those in the Branch area on low incomes working in collaboration with the Cats' Protection. This work helps to control cat populations through neutering and benefits those on means tested benefits by giving them financial help to neuter and microchip cats, thereby promoting responsible pet ownership.

Animals in our care receive veterinary treatment, vaccination, neutering, micro-chipping and are assessed for re-homing. This work helps to control the spread of disease and suffering.

The Branch re-homes animals in need to people willing and able to have a companion animal. Whilst we recognise that companion animals provide measurable benefits to people's physical and mental health, we consider the provision of pets as subsidiary to the main charitable aim of this service, which is to reduce animal suffering. Our policy to charge a reasonable adoption fee for animals aims to highlight the on-going personal and financial commitment of pet ownership. It would not be in the best interests of animals, and therefore would fall outside our objects, to re-home to those who could not afford them.

The Branch also provides, free of charge, advertising of lost and found animals and, through our Facebook, Instagram and Twitter accounts, takes steps to reunite them with owners. This work benefits our local community (including local authorities) by preventing animals straying and posing a risk to themselves and to people through road traffic accidents.

The Branch responds to enquiries from the public about animals locally.

The public benefits from knowing that we can intervene to assist animals in need; offer free animal care advice on the phone, and on our website; promotion of responsible pet ownership.

We provide volunteering and training opportunities for those who wish to support our work, which benefits local people and companies by providing the possibility of doing work which is compassionate and rewarding in addition to learning new skills.

We recycle and reuse hundreds of kilos of unwanted textiles and other materials that would otherwise go to landfill. We provide good quality low cost clothing and household items to the public through our shops and also provide, free of charge, essential clothes and when available other items to rough sleepers and homeless people through the appropriate agencies.

TRUSTEES REPORT (CONTINUED)

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Achievements and performance

2021 was another challenging year. The Welsh Government continued to impose restrictions which meant that our shops were again closed for over 3 months at the start of the year, the Animal Centre had restricted access with the public and volunteers for months and a number of our fundraising events were unable to take place. Despite this, Llys Nini continued to be operational throughout the year, albeit on reduced capacity, due staffing levels, additional administrative procedures required, and the limited number of animals coming into the Centre via the Inspectors whilst their work levels also fell due to access restrictions. Llys Nini continued to encourage a "virtual rehoming system" with potential adopters viewing animals online, the vetting of potential new owners was done virtually, but in contrast to last year, the potential owners were able to visit the Centre to meet and socialise with the animals prior to adoption. Appointment only visits to view the animals were put in place to reduce the number of visitors at one time.

Whilst the shops were closed, all shop staff and shop related staff were put onto the furlough scheme. Because of this scheme, we were able to keep our valued staff members on until such time the shops were allowed to fully reopen. The Marquee at the Centre has continued to be invaluable space and continues to houses the collection and distribution point for donated goods to the shops. We have invested in this space and not returned to trawling for stock.

TRUSTEES REPORT (CONTINUED)

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In 2021, Llys Nini accepted 344 animals into the centre, most of whom had been rescued by RSPCA inspectors and were in poor health. By December, our dedicated staff nursed the majority of them back to health and had re-homed 273 of them. Llys Nini continues to provide welfare assistance throughout the branch area via a voucher scheme. In 2021, in addition to the branch animals taken in, Llys Nini helped 414 animals by means of welfare assistance, 1,050 animals were neutered, 1,010 were microchipped.

It is the branch's policy that no healthy and re-homeable animal should be euthanised.

The branch has continued to work with the Cats Protection and have neutered a large number of cats within the Branch area. The scheme offers neutering and micro-chipping to cats belonging to people on low incomes. There has also been a high-profile advertising campaign via social media to promote this scheme. The Cat neutering programme this year saw 1,050 cats neutered and microchipped within the branch area.

The St James Veterinary Clinic on our site continues to be a huge help to the branch, cutting down on costs and has been much better for the animals needing the Vet treatments or check- ups.

The Conservation area continues to thrive with regular sightings of ducks, kingfishers, heron, bats, foxes and owls visiting our site.

The paths and boardwalks are continually being maintained so that people can come and enjoy the green spaces. The Safeguarding Officer has also continued working with people with disabilities, helping them to contribute to the development of the site and the wildlife. The site has also been awarded a Community Green Flag Award for a sixth year. Our wildlife hide sponsored by Tesco's "Bags of help" is a good place to view the wildlife on the pond.

During 2021, a new Playground Shelter room was constructed for the visitors, all funded by the Mynydd y Gwair Community funding. In addition, a Refreshment shed was constructed for visitors and volunteers to purchase drinks and snacks, again provided by Penllergaer Environment Team, along with tables and chairs to sit outside in the grounds.

We have slowly invited volunteers back on site again due to the Covid restrictions – cat socialising, dog walking, shop staff and fundraising preparation. We have much gratitude for their work and thank them so much for the important work they undertake for Llys Nini.

A number of our usual fundraising events were cancelled again this year. Our fundraising team continue to work tirelessly in innovative ways to raise the much needed funds – virtual dog walks, virtual cat and dog shows,, promoting our Safe Haven Scheme and social media fundraising, to name but a few. The events held during the year were well supported, in particular the August Summer Festival, the Swansea Jack Mutt Strutt, the Halloween Trails and events and the downscaled Christmas events - all went down really well, raising the much needed funds to keep operational work going.

The Trustees of RSPCA Llys Nini would like to record their gratitude to all branch staff, volunteers, supporters and partner organisations. The Branch is a voluntary organisation and without this level of mutual support would not be able to function for the benefit of people and animals.

TRUSTEES REPORT (CONTINUED)

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Financial review

The Branch's results for the year are set out on the Statement of Financial Activities on page 16.

The Branch has resulted a surplus of £331,173 (2020: surplus £659,282) recorded for the year. The surplus in both 2020 and 2021 are due to large value legacy income received.

Income
Donations and gift aid income has increased from the previous year from £167,530 to £180,659.

Legacy income has decreased on the previous year from £510,817 to £247,849. Legacy income is an unpredictable source of income, but from which the branch has benefited greatly over the past few years.

The Trustees have continued to obtain various grants to support the work they are undertaking at Llys Nini, such as, promoting the site for educational, environmental and heritage purposes and to subsidise staff costs and capital expenditure on certain projects. Retail Support Grants and the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme grants were offered by the Welsh Government particularly when the shops were forced to close and has helped significantly. Grants of £20,000 has been received from Moondance, and further funding from the Welsh Government Community Fund and National Lottery to finance the "Ysgubor" project – shop, workshop, café, classroom and indoor activity area to be built in 2022.

The charity shops were closed for the first 3 months of the year due to the Welsh Government imposed Covid-19 restrictions. However, on reopening in April 2021, have performed very well considering the general demise of the local High Street. Only one shop out of the 12 shops closed has not reopened – and has subsequently been closed permanently. It is hoped a new shop will be opened in the not-too-distant future to replace it.

Money market income has decreased due to the poor market conditions, resulting in poor interest rates return on the deposits held and low dividends received.

The movement in unrealised gain (where market value is higher than actual cost) amounted to £53,284 (2020: £27,356). Realised gains (where investments were sold) amounted to £391 (2020: £53,962).

During the year, the charity disposed assets and the profit on disposals amounted to £3,578 (2020: £Nil).

Income generated from other activities included rent from the Veterinary Clinic, Groomers, Beekeepers and Wildflower sites together with the rent for the solar field.

Many events, both virtual and actual, were held during the year for fundraising – Mutts Strutts, Halloween and Summer trails together with the virtual events and promoting the Safe Haven scheme and social media, all which have helped to raise income totalling £134,988 (2020: £192,314).

Expenditure
Salaries continue to be the main category of charitable expenditure; £375,834 (2020: £425,161) for the direct caring of animals and the environment; £404,857 (2020: £384,280) for the shop workers and administration of shops and £41,771 (2020: £39,205) for fundraising team. Salaries of the Branch Executive and Finance manager are allocated per proportion of their time covering the areas of the branch activities.

Support costs include charges by HQ to cover the legal & administrative costs relating to the legacy income.

The charity generated an unrestricted surplus (excluding gain on investments) of £270,687 for the year ended 31 December 2021 (2020: £597,566).

Investment policy
The policy of investing in equities and fixed interest securities remains unchanged with the investment managers – Watermark Financial Planning managing the main fund with Old Mutual Wealth. Barclays Portfolio Investment managers manage the Barclays portfolio. Trustees are forwarded regular reports of how well the investments are performing in order to make informed decisions on the investments held.

The trustees review the investment policy annually with a view to diversifying and obtaining the best possible return at manageable risk with restrictions placed upon the funds being invested in anything detrimental to the environmental & animal welfare.

The investments analysis, valuation and costs are shown in note 15.

Deposit accounts are also held with Barclays Wealth, Swansea Building Society and Monmouthshire Building Society on shorter term deposit terms.

Principal funding sources
One of the main sources of funding is through adoptions and re-homing income. The branch also raises funds from the operation of 11 charity shops within the branch area in order to support its charitable activities. In addition, it raises rental income from various properties it owns and all funds are returned to the branch to support its activities.

Various fundraising activities throughout the year help raise the profile and raise funds for the branch.

Reserves policy
The Trustees regularly review the reserves held of the charity. They have reviewed both the income and expenditure of a fixed and variable nature. Their findings are that to allow the branch to operate efficiently and to enable adequate resources to meet their commitments they consider free reserves of at least £500,000 should be maintained. This is equivalent to approximately three months of unrestricted expenditure. The branch has met with this policy at year end with free reserves totalling £2,291,969 (2020: £2,118,847).

Contribution made by volunteers
The Charity is both dependent upon and much appreciative of the work that the many volunteers do on behalf of the branch. A large number of the volunteers give freely of their time to support many of the day to day duties of the branch such as dog walking, dog and cat socialising, working on the reception assisting in the facilitating re-homing of the animals in care, administrative duties, volunteering in the charity shops, volunteering to work on environmental projects, and of course raising the profile of the branch through fundraising. This has been once again restricted this year but is slowly getting back to normal.The trustees appreciate the continued support of all volunteers.

Trustees of the branch are required to be members of the Branch.

Plans for future periods

The trustees are committed to provide animal welfare services at Llys Nini and to operate welfare assistance schemes throughout the extended branch area.

In order to maximise income generation, the charity plans to continue to manage its land for biodiversity and to develop a "green" visitors' attraction. These plans will use none of the charity's funds but will rely on money from other sources, including various grants.

The Trustees are committed to the Environmental work on the site and are working with a number of organisations such as Forest Schools to encourage the young people to enjoy the wildlife. The Swansea Bee Society also continues to work on site. Celtic Wildflowers is using the Centre as a location in which to grow native wildflower plants and trees, which in itself will be a benefit to the wildlife at the Centre. We continue to look at other organisations to work with to use the land for the benefit of the environment.

The Trustees also seek to increase revenue generated from its shops operation by making its existing shops more profitable and efficient and potentially looking for further shops to invest in.

Work building up awareness in the Cardiff area is slow in developing. There is still a keen interest in setting up a rehoming centre/shop in Cardiff but this has been hindered by the lack of suitable and affordable property in the area.

2022 is considered to be a "building Year" – we have secured the grant funding to cover the majority of the project of "Yr Ysgubor" in place to build a community facility. We also have the Covered Dog Run so that our furry residents can exercise in the dry and less muddy conditions. This will be self funded from our reserves, but we are currently trying to raise additional funds for the costs involved of approximately £100,000. We have also designated £100,000 from our funds to upgrade some of the animal accommodation facilities.

Structure, governance and management

Governing Document
The organisation is an unincorporated charity, registered with the Charity Commission on 21 August 1963, and operates as an autonomous branch of the RSPCA, subject to its rules for branches (as updated in 2012).

In August 2016 the Trustees obtained an order from the Charity Commission to incorporate the charity trustees as a body incorporate under the power given in section 251 of the Charities Act 2011. This means that all property of the charity is transferred to the incorporated body. Its governing document encompasses the rules adopted on 18 February 2009 as amended on 8 April 2017.

Recruitment and Appointment of Management Committee
The charity is governed by a minimum of 7 to a maximum of 14 Trustees, appointed annually by way of a members' ballot, which is held at the Annual General Meeting. All trustees are briefed on their responsibilities as Trustees by the Chair of Trustees and have access to the online Trustee Handbook and RSPCA guidelines together with the appropriate Charity Commission publications. There is no requirement for trustees to retire by rotation.

All trustees are deemed to be "fit and proper persons" and eligible to be trustees of RSPCA Llys Nini.

Organisational Structure
The trustees hold monthly meetings at which decisions on policy and practice are made. The day-to-day running of the Animal Centre is delegated to the Animal Centre Manager, and the day-to-day running of the shops is delegated to the Area Shop Manager and to the individual shops' managers. The Branch Executive and the Finance Manager are the lead professionals, line managing the middle management team and, with the Chair, managing the running of the branch as a whole.

A register of Trustee interests is maintained at the branch and is available to the public for review.

Pay policy for Key Management Personnel
The trustees consider that the senior management team, comprised of the key management personnel of the charity, are in charge of directing and controlling, running and operating the branch on a day-to-day basis. All trustees give of their time freely and no trustee received remuneration in the year. Details of trustee expenses, key management personnel and related party transactions are disclosed in note 11 and 12 to the accounts.

The pay of the senior staff is reviewed annually and normally increased in accordance with average earnings. In view of the nature of the charity, the trustees' benchmark against pay levels in other charities of a similar size and operating in the same sector. The remuneration is benchmarked using market data which is readily available.

Related Parties
The branch is affiliated to the RSPCA. It also co-operates and liaises with a number of other organisations to achieve its objectives on a broader level, such as Cats Protection, Dogs' Trust, WCVA, Swansea Council Conservation Team and Celtic Wildflowers. It also works closely with St James Veterinary Practice.

Risk Management
Trustees actively review the risks that the charity faces on a regular basis, including operational and financial reviews and have established systems to mitigate the significant risks, which they have identified as:

- an inability to operate the Animal Centre and other Animal Welfare Services through lack of funds;
- an inability to operate the Animal Centre due to fire or other destruction;
- an inability to operate the shops due to fire or other destruction;
- a loss of reputation through error or fraud;
- an inability to operate as a branch due to a future potential lack of trustees;
- reliance upon a limited number of individuals to undertake duties.
- reliance on donations/donated goods for main source of income.
- shutdown on all fundraising opportunities.

Trustee and Management regularly review the major risks to which the charity is exposed bringing attention to newly identified exposures. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance Health & Safety requirements relating to staff, trustees, volunteers and visitors to the premises. A safeguarding officer has also been appointed.

The Llys Nini Branch is an independently registered charity affiliated to the RSPCA. The Branch is responsible for the Llys Nini Animal Centre and raises all the running costs for the Centre itself.

Fundraising
RSPCA Llys Nini do not engage with professional fundraisers to act on our behalf to actively fundraise. They do however partner up with the RSPCA who undertake a door to door committed giving scheme on behalf of both charities. The RSPCA takes full responsibility and manages this operation. They are members of the Association of Fundraisers and abide by their code of practice.

There has not been any instance of failure by the charity, or by any person acting on its behalf, to comply with fundraising standards or scheme for fundraising regulation that the charity or the person acting on its behalf has voluntarily subscribed.

RSPCA Llys Nini has utilised the digital advertising via social media and has employed an agent to facilitate this process.

There are occasions when individuals will use social media platforms to fundraise on behalf of RSPCA Llys Nini. The administrators of our social media platforms regularly monitor activities on the social media to validate their activity. If not appropriate then they will be removed.

In order to protect vulnerable people and other members of the public, RSPCA Llys Nini does not undertake cold calling or chugging, and therefore do not make first contact with anyone to donate to the charity. All subscribers' details are kept in compliance with GDPR.

Limited bucket collections are performed but with the necessary licences required from the local councils. All donations are made freely and no pressure applied for donations. All collectors work in pairs to protect each other and the public.

There have been no complaints received by the charity or by a person acting on its behalf for the purpose of fundraising or about fundraising activity.

TRUSTEES REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

Reference and administrative details

Registered charity name	Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Llys Nini Branch - Cardiff to Swansea
Known as	RSPCA, Llys Nini Branch - Cardiff to Swansea
Charity number	224337
Principal office	Llys Nini Animal Centre Penllergaer Swansea SA4 9WB
President	Martin Trainer
Vice Presidents	Joe and Lacey Allen Kevin Johns Peter Black
Trustees	Sally Hyman (Chair) Jill Fordham (Vice Chair) Claire Chappell (Secretary) Iwan Rees - Appointed 23/11/21 Alison Spence - Appointed 27/7/21 Howard Spence - Appointed 27/7/21 Steve Wilson - Appointed 8/6/21 Robert Davies Deirdre Magoris Rebecca Miles Rev Elaine Jenkyns Rev Stephen Jenkyns Jean Rawlings
Auditors	Azets Audit Services Ty Derw Lime Tree Court Cardiff Gate Business Park Cardiff CF23 8AB
Bankers and portfolio managers	Barclays Bank Plc 70 The Kingsway Swansea SA1 5JB
Investment advisors	Watermark Financial Planning 1st Floor 98 Walter Road Swansea SA1 5QJ

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

Legal advsiors	JCP Solicitiors Swansea Enterprise Park Venture Court Waterside Business Park Valley Way Swansea SA6 8AH
Key management personnel	Mr David Stokes - Branch Executive Mrs Claire Phillips - Brannch Finance Manager Mr Gary Weeks - Animal Centre Manager Mrs Kim Williams - Area Shop Manager

The trustees report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

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S Hyman
Chair
Dated: 31st May 2022

ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARDIFF TO SWANSEA

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

The trustees 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).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that year.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;

- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and

- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping sufficient accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARDIFF TO SWANSEA

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARDIFF TO SWANSEA

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Llys Nini Branch - Cardiff to Swansea (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 December 2021 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet, the statement of cash flows and the notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 December 2021 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements* section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

TO THE TRUSTEES OF ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARDIFF TO SWANSEA

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the trustees report; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the statement of trustees responsibilities, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditor under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud
Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above and on the Financial Reporting Council's website, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud.

We obtain and update our understanding of the entity, its activities, its control environment, and likely future developments, including in relation to the legal and regulatory framework applicable and how the entity is complying with that framework. Based on this understanding, we identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. This includes consideration of the risk of acts by the entity that were contrary to applicable laws and regulations, including fraud.

In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations, including fraud, we designed procedures which included:

- Enquiry of management and those charged with governance around actual and potential litigation and claims as well as actual, suspected and alleged fraud;
- Reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance;
- Assessing the extent of compliance with the laws and regulations considered to have a direct material effect on the financial statements or the operations of the entity through enquiry and inspection;
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- Performing audit work over the risk of management bias and override of controls, including testing of journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions outside the normal course of business and reviewing accounting estimates for indicators of potential bias.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

Other matters
Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared financial statements in accordance with "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)" (as amended) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn.

This has been done in order for the financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with current Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

TO THE TRUSTEES OF ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARDIFF TO SWANSEA

Use of our report

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. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Azets Audit Services 7-6-22

Azets Audit Services

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Azets Audit Services is eligible for appointment as auditor of the charity by virtue of its eligibility for appointment as auditor of a company under of section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARDIFF TO SWANSEA

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total 2021 £	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Restricted funds 2020 £	Total 2020 £
Income and endowments from:							
Donations and legacies	3	408,508	20,000	428,508	678,347	-	678,347
Charitable activities	4	220,698	108,397	329,095	383,189	196,135	579,324
Other trading activities	5	881,117	-	881,117	689,683	-	689,683
Investments	6	4,119	-	4,119	7,711	-	7,711
Other income	7	3,578	-	3,578	22,505	-	22,505
Total income		1,518,020	128,397	1,646,417	1,781,435	196,135	1,977,570
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds	8	632,072	89,123	721,195	707,816	-	707,816
Charitable activities	9	615,261	32,463	647,724	476,053	215,737	691,790
Total resources expended		1,247,333	121,586	1,368,919	1,183,869	215,737	1,399,606
Net gains/(losses) on investments	13	53,675	-	53,675	81,318	-	81,318
Net movement in funds		324,362	6,811	331,173	678,884	(19,602)	659,282
Fund balances at 1 January 2021		3,847,073	488,493	4,335,566	3,168,189	508,095	3,676,284
Fund balances at 31 December 2021		4,171,435	495,304	4,666,739	3,847,073	488,493	4,335,566

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARDIFF TO SWANSEA

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	2021 £	2021 £	2020 £	2020 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	14		1,446,158		1,508,105
Investments	15		1,570,205		1,514,878
			3,016,363		3,022,983
Current assets					
Stocks	17	13,652		14,362	
Debtors	18	372,255		257,200	
Cash at bank and in hand		1,427,846		1,198,698	
		1,813,753		1,470,260	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	19	(163,377)		(157,677)	
Net current assets			1,650,376		1,312,583
Total assets less current liabilities			4,666,739		4,335,566
Income funds					
Restricted funds	22		495,304		488,493
Unrestricted funds					
Designated funds	23	1,879,466		1,728,226	
General unrestricted funds		2,291,969		2,118,847	
			4,171,435		3,847,073
			4,666,739		4,335,566

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 31/5/22

Iwan Rees
Trustee

S Hyman
Chair

ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARDIFF TO SWANSEA

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	2021 £	£	2020 £	£
Cash flows from operating activities					
Cash generated from operations	27		253,348		700,356
Investing activities					
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(33,393)		(139,232)	
Proceeds on disposal of tangible fixed assets		6,726		-	
Purchase of investments		-		(349,990)	
Proceeds on disposal of investments		(1,652)		347,849	
Investment income received		4,119		7,711	
Net cash used in investing activities			(24,200)		(133,662)
Net cash used in financing activities			-		-
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents			229,148		566,694
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			1,198,698		632,004
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year			1,427,846		1,198,698

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Llys Nini Branch - Cardiff to Swansea is an unincorporated charity whose principal office is Llys Nini Animal Centre, Penllergaer, Swansea, SA4 9WB.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Designated funds comprise funds which have been set aside at the discretion of the trustees for specific purposes. The purposes and uses of the designated funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

1 **Accounting policies** **(Continued)**

Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included in these accounts. Donated goods are recognised at their value when the sale takes place.

Income from grants, whether 'capital' grants or 'revenue' grants, is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred, Capital grants are released to the Statement of Financial Activities in the year of receipt. Fixed assets relating to capital grants are capitalised, and depreciation charged is offset against grant income, in a restricted fund.

Income from charitable trading activities represents fees charged in respect of the adoption and treatment of animals, the provision of boarding facilities and claim fees for recovered pets, these income streams are credited to the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which they are due. Income received in advance is deferred to the appropriate financial year.

Charity shop and other miscellaneous income is recognised in the period when the sale takes place.

Rental and solar farm income is recognised in the period to which the service is provided.

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank.

1.5 Resources expended

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

Costs of raising funds comprise the costs in relation to generating income such as fundraising activities.

Expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs relating to the furtherance of the charity's objectives as stated in the trustees report.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories in the Statement of Financial Activities on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource. Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly while others are apportioned on an appropriate basis, as set out in the support costs note.

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

1 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Freehold land and buildings	Nil
Buildings	2% per annum straight line
Building improvements	10% per annum straight line
Fixtures and fittings	4-33% per annum straight line
Clinic equipment	10% per annum reducing balance
Motor vehicles	20% per annum straight line

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year.

Individual fixed assets costing £250 or more are capitalised at cost.

1.7 Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting date. Changes in fair value are recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

1.8 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

1.9 Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell. Cost comprises direct materials and, where applicable, direct labour costs and those overheads that have been incurred in bringing the stocks to their present location and condition. Items held for distribution at no or nominal consideration are measured the lower of replacement cost and cost.

Donated goods for sale are not valued.

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price less all estimated costs of completion and costs to be incurred in marketing, selling and distribution.

1.10 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

1.11 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Derecognition of financial assets

Financial assets are derecognised only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire or are settled, or when the charity transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to another entity, or if some significant risks and rewards of ownership are retained but control of the asset has transferred to another party that is able to sell the asset in its entirety to an unrelated third party.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.12 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

1.13 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

1 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

1.14 Leases

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to expenditure on a stralght line basis over the term of the relevant lease.

Rentals due under operating leases are charged to income on a straight line basis over the term of the relevant lease.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

The charity does not have any key or significant accounting estimates.

3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	**Restricted funds**	**Total**	Unrestricted funds
	2021	**2021**	**2021**	2020
	£	**£**	**£**	£
Donations and gifts	160,659	20,000	180,659	167,530
Legacies receivable	247,849	-	247,849	510,817
	408,508	20,000	428,508	678,347

4 Charitable activities

	2021 £	2020 £
Adoptions, claiming and housing	64,370	74,866
Clinic and miscellaneous receipts	6,839	19,323
Regional grant - neutering program	-	2,048
Grants received	257,886	483,087
	329,095	579,324
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	220,698	383,189
Restricted funds	108,397	196,135
	329,095	579,324
Grants		
Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme	78,388	179,154
Retail Support grants	145,000	289,000
Dwr Cymru	-	500
Petplan	-	4,250
Pets at Home	2,489	10,183
Adoption for Pets Support	2,000	-
PET	800	-
Myndydd y Gwair	13,276	-
Kickstart	15,933	-
	257,886	483,087

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

5 Other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Unrestricted funds 2020 £
Charity shops	673,591	433,612
Special events	134,988	192,314
Rent income	58,223	56,218
Miscellaneous	14,315	7,539
Other trading activities	881,117	689,683

6 Investments

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Unrestricted funds 2020 £
Money market interest	2,669	5,150
Interest receivable	1,450	2,561
	4,119	7,711

7 Other income

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Unrestricted funds 2020 £
Net gain on disposal of tangible fixed assets	3,578	-
RSPCA Brecknock and District Branch	-	22,505
	3,578	22,505

The charity received circa 20% of the net assets of RSPCA Brecknock & District Branch during the prior year (charity number 224780). The charity took over an element of the services provided by the branch during 2019/20.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

8 Raising funds

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total	Unrestricted funds
	2021	2021	2021	2020
	£	£	£	£
Rent, rates, light and heat	180,440	-	180,440	206,078
Insurance	7,975	-	7,975	6,248
Maintenance and repairs	6,240	-	6,240	12,109
Waste disposal and cleaning	9,811	-	9,811	9,761
Other fundraising costs	16,631	-	16,631	20,388
Staff costs	350,088	89,123	439,211	407,354
Support costs	30,723	-	30,723	13,838
Shop goods for resale	22,253	-	22,253	16,285
Postage, stationery and telephone	2,942	-	2,942	2,689
Governance support costs	4,568	-	4,568	3,210
Investment management	401	-	401	9,856
	632,072	89,123	721,195	707,816

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

9 Charitable activities

	2021 £	2020 £
Staff costs	375,834	425,161
Rent, rates, light and heat	25,091	21,352
Insurance	2,848	2,436
Maintenance and repairs	17,040	13,367
Waste disposal and cleaning	16,307	13,227
Telephone	2,701	3,033
Travel and subsistence	430	1,621
Shop goods for resale	13,824	14,555
Vet fees, medicine and welfare costs	73,789	64,052
Food and pet supplies	9,418	17,815
Postage, stationery, computer costs and advertising	8,702	12,043
Staff training	391	300
Staff uniforms	2,121	51
Miscellaneous costs	413	1,731
	548,909	590,744
Share of support costs (see note 10)	94,247	97,836
Share of governance costs (see note 10)	4,568	3,210
	647,724	691,790
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	615,261	
Restricted funds	32,463	
	647,724	

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

10 Support costs

	Support costs	Governance costs	2021	Support costs	Governance costs	2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Depreciation	92,190	-	92,190	87,492	-	87,492
Bank and credit card charges	12,887	-	12,887	3,861	-	3,861
Professional charges	12,755	-	12,755	19,666	-	19,666
Contribution to HQ and region	7,138	-	7,138	551	-	551
Bad debts written off	-	-	-	104	-	104
Audit fees	-	4,875	4,875	-	4,150	4,150
Outreach work	-	1,991	1,991	-	-	-
Accountancy fees	-	2,270	2,270	-	2,270	2,270
	124,970	9,136	134,106	111,674	6,420	118,094
Analysed between						
Fundraising	30,723	4,568	35,291	13,838	3,210	17,048
Charitable activities	94,247	4,568	98,815	97,836	3,210	101,046
	124,970	9,136	134,106	111,674	6,420	118,094

11 Trustees

Expenses of £206 (2020: £nil) were reimbursed to trustees during the year. The above reimbursement was in relation to 1 (2020: 0) trustee, for reimbursement of charitable expenditure.

No trustee received remuneration during the current or prior year.

12 Employees

Number of employees
The average monthly number of employees during the year was: 55 (2019: 63).

The average monthly number of full time equivalent employees during the year was:

	2021 Number	2020 Number
Management and administration	7	4
Animal care	21	22
Shops	21	18
	49	44

Employment costs	2021 £	2020 £
Wages and salaries	754,114	760,732
Social security costs	43,130	43,955
Other pension costs	17,801	27,828
	815,045	832,515

Key management personnel
The key management personnel of the charity in 2021 and in 2020 are the Branch Executive, the Branch Finance Manager, the Centre Manager, the Area Shop Manager and the trustees. The total benefits of the key management personnel of the branch were £142,693 (2020: £135,457).

Redundancy and other payments
The charity made other staff payments of £3,030 (2020: redundancy payments of £10,062) during the year. No balances were outstanding at the year end (2020: £nil).

Employees earning > £60k
There were no employees whose annual remuneration was £60,000 or more.

13 Net gains/(losses) on investments

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Unrestricted funds 2020 £
Revaluation of investments	53,675	81,318

14 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land and buildings	Fixtures and fittings	Clinic equipment	Motor vehicles	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Cost					
At 1 January 2021	2,116,116	932,218	4,125	26,985	3,079,444
Additions	-	20,574	-	12,819	33,393
Disposals	-	-	-	(13,990)	(13,990)
At 31 December 2021	2,116,116	952,792	4,125	25,814	3,098,847
Depreciation and impairment					
At 1 January 2021	887,990	656,668	4,125	22,556	1,571,339
Depreciation charged in the year	33,961	56,308	-	1,923	92,192
Eliminated in respect of disposals	-	-	-	(10,842)	(10,842)
At 31 December 2021	921,951	712,976	4,125	13,637	1,652,689
Carrying amount					
At 31 December 2021	1,194,165	239,816	-	12,177	1,446,158
At 31 December 2020	1,228,126	275,550	-	4,429	1,508,105

15 Fixed asset investments

	Listed investments	Cash in portfolio	Total
	£		£
Cost or valuation			
At 1 January 2021	1,510,535	4,343	1,514,878
Valuation changes	53,675	-	53,675
Cash movement	-	1,652	1,652
At 31 December 2021	1,564,210	5,995	1,570,205
Carrying amount			
At 31 December 2021	1,564,210	5,995	1,570,205
At 31 December 2020	1,510,535	4,343	1,514,878

16 Financial instruments

	2021	2020
	£	£
Carrying amount of financial assets		
Instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss	1,570,205	1,514,878

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17 Stocks

	2021	2020
	£	£
Stock	13,652	14,362

18 Debtors

Amounts falling due within one year:	2021 £	2020 £
Trade debtors	6,894	2,494
Other debtors	238,799	119,550
Prepayments and accrued income	126,562	135,156
	372,255	257,200

19 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Notes	2021 £	2020 £
Other taxation and social security		19,791	21,875
Deferred income	20	9,000	18,000
Trade creditors		35,862	29,633
Other creditors		76,616	61,703
Accruals		22,108	26,466
		163,377	157,677

20 Deferred income

	2021	2020
	£	£
Arising from grants	9,000	18,000

Deferred income is included in the financial statements as follows:

	2021	2020
	£	£
Balance brought forward	18,000	-
Income received	9,000	307,000
Income released	(18,000)	(289,000)
Balance carried forward	9,000	18,000

21 Retirement benefit schemes

Defined contribution schemes

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund.

The charge to profit or loss in respect of defined contribution schemes was £17,801 (2020: £27,828).

Amounts outstanding at the year end totalled £11,766 (2020: £7,186).

22 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

		Movement in funds			Movement in funds		
	Balance at 1 January 2020	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 1 January 2021	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 31 December 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Capital grant	420,746	-	(15,581)	405,165	-	(15,581)	389,584
Pets at Home	-	10,184	(10,184)	-	-	-	-
Ferret house build	1,000	-	(1,000)	-	-	-	-
Playground Shelter	-	-	-	-	13,276	(928)	12,348
Dwr Cymru	-	500	(20)	480	-	(400)	80
Department for Work and Pensions	456	-	(250)	206	-	(206)	-
Petplan	-	4,250	(170)	4,080	-	(20)	4,060
PET	-	-	-	-	800	(800)	-
National Lottery Awards for All	2,719	-	(760)	1,959	-	(760)	1,199
Kickstart	-	-	-	-	15,933	(15,933)	-
Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme	-	179,153	(179,153)	-	78,388	(78,388)	-
People's Postcode Lottery	4,611	-	(1,683)	2,928	-	(2,083)	845
RSPCA Cardiff & District Branch	4,000	-	-	4,000	-	-	4,000
Neutering grant	-	2,048	(2,048)	-	-	-	-
HSBC	9,949	-	(2,488)	7,461	-	(2,487)	4,974
Moondance Foundation	50,000	-	(2,000)	48,000	-	(2,000)	46,000
Millenium Stadium Charitable Trust	4,614	-	-	4,614		-	4,614
Ysgubor	-	-	-	-	20,000	-	20,000
National Lottery - Awards for All	10,000	-	(400)	9,600		(2,000)	7,600
	508,095	196,135	(215,737)	488,493	128,397	(121,586)	495,304

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22 **Restricted funds** **(Continued)**

Capital grant
A project to build a new animal centre at Llys Nini Farm, the Swansea Shop, upgrade to Centre and Centre Vet clinic. The grant is being released to unrestricted funds in line with the depreciation policy.

Pets at Home
This funding relates to vouchers provided by Pets At Home to purchase goods for the animals at the centre.

Ferret house build
Grants received to cover costs of the new build of the ferret house.

Playground Shelter
Funding provided by Mynydd yr Gwair to provide shelter and seating facilities for users of the playground and their parents.

Dwr Cymru
This was a community grant received for the purpose to use towards the cost of the effluent plant.

Department for Work and Pensions
For the purchase of specialist office equipment to meet certain staff needs. Income released to unrestricted reserves in line with depreciation policy.

Petplan
This grant was received to contribute to the cost of the effluent plant.

PET
Penllergaer Environmental Team assisting in the provision of equipment and facilities for the grounds people who work at Llys Nini site. Funding provided by the National Lottery. Use of a shed containing a vending machine for snacks and coffee, a compostable toilet and tables and chairs were funded.

National Lottery Awards for All
Grant received to assist the purchase of a coffee pod. Income released to unrestricted reserves when expended or if capitalised, in line with depreciation policy. Additional income was received this year to provide funding towards the safeguarding post.

22 Restricted funds **(Continued)**

Kickstart
Funding for training placements via the WVCA and the DWP for 16–25-year-olds to gain work experience to earn permanent work.

Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme
This funding was to support wages costs during the Covid-19 pandemic.

People's Postcode Lottery
Grant received to assist the purchase of stock fencing. Income released to unrestricted reserves when expended or if capitalised, in line with depreciation policy.

RSPCA Cardiff & District Branch
Reserve transferred from RSPCA Cardiff and District branch to purchase animal welfare equipment for the Cardiff district.

Neutering grant
Grant received to fund neutering program.

HSBC
Grant received to assist the purchase of the Marquee. Grant release to unrestricted reserves in line with depreciation policy.

Moondance Foundation
Grant received to assist the purchase of the effluent plant. Grant is to be released to unrestricted reserves in line with depreciation policy. The project has not yet started.

Millennium Stadium Charitable Trust
This grant was received to assist with the costs of the "Environmental Work - Bird Boxes" project.

Ysgubor
A major project to build a visitor Centre/Café/shop in the Llys Nini Grounds and funded by grants. Moondance funding of £20,0000 received to date and a positive response from the Bailey Thomas, National Lottery and Welsh Government Communities Programme to fund the balance in 2022 once the plans are agreed.

National Lottery - Awards for All
Grant received to assist the purchase of the effluent plant. Grant is to be released to unrestricted reserves in line with depreciation policy.

23 Designated funds

The income funds of the charity include the following designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes:

	Balance at 1 January 2020	Transfers	Balance at 1 January 2021	Transfers	Balance at 31 December 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Shop rent	200,000	-	200,000	-	200,000
Cardiff rehoming facility	500,000	-	500,000	-	500,000
Fixed asset fund	1,035,619	(7,393)	1,028,226	(48,760)	979,466
Centre upgrade	-	-	-	100,000	100,000
Dog run	-	-	-	100,000	100,000
	1,735,619	(7,393)	1,728,226	151,240	1,879,466

Shop rent
Commitments on rental payments for the various charity shops leased by the charity. Funds will be released when required by the charity.

Cardiff rehoming facility
The Trustees have designated funds to invest in a re-homing Centre in Cardiff to increase the profile within that area.

Fixed asset fund
Relates to the net book value of the charity's unrestricted fixed assets. Movement relates to additions, disposals and depreciation in the year.

Centre upgrade
General upgrade to the animal accommodation as necessary.

Dog run
Transforming the current hard-core run into a covered run for all weather training, socialising and exercising the dogs.

24 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted 2021	**Designated 2021**	**Restricted 2021**	**Total 2021**	Unrestricted 2020	Designated 2020	Restricted 2020	Total 2020
	£	**£**	**£**	**£**	£	£	£	£
Fund balances at 31 December 2021 are represented by:								
Tangible assets	-	979,466	466,692	1,446,158	-	1,028,226	479,879	1,508,105
Investments	1,570,205	-	-	1,570,205	1,514,878	-	-	1,514,878
Current assets/(liabilities)	721,764	900,000	28,612	1,650,376	603,969	700,000	8,614	1,312,583
	2,291,969	1,879,466	495,304	4,666,739	2,118,847	1,728,226	488,493	4,335,566

25 Operating lease commitments

At the reporting end date the charity had outstanding commitments for future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases, which fall due as follows:

	2021	2020
	£	£
Within one year	92,279	123,475
Between two and five years	200,069	193,279
	292,348	316,754

Lessor

At the reporting end date the charity had contracted with tenants for the following minimum lease payments:

	2021	2020
	£	£
Within one year	76,000	76,000
Between two and five years	135,583	178,583
In over five years	407,000	440,000
	618,583	694,583

26 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2020 - none).

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27	**Cash generated from operations**	**2021**	**2020**
		£	**£**
	Surplus for the year	331,173	659,282
	Adjustments for:		
	Investment income recognised in statement of financial activities	(4,119)	(7,711)
	Gain on disposal of tangible fixed assets	(3,577)	-
	Fair value gains and losses on investments	(53,675)	(81,318)
	Depreciation and impairment of tangible fixed assets	92,190	87,492
	Movements in working capital:		
	Decrease in stocks	711	8,460
	(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(115,055)	28,670
	Increase/(decrease) in creditors	14,700	(12,519)
	(Decrease)/increase in deferred income	(9,000)	18,000
	Cash generated from operations	253,348	700,356

28 Analysis of changes in net funds

The charity had no debt during the year.

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ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARDIFF TO SWANSEA

TRUSTEES REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)".

Objectives and activities

The RSPCA Llys Nini Branch is an unincorporated charitable association and a separately registered branch of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (the Society), carrying out its direct animal welfare work in the unitary authorities of Swansea, Neath Port Talbot, Bridgend, some areas within Rhondda Cynon Taf Powys and Cardiff. However, when able, it takes in animals from the whole of South and West Wales.

The objects of the Branch are to promote the work and objects of the Society - to promote kindness and to prevent or suppress cruelty to animals by all lawful means - with particular reference to the area of the Branch, in accordance with the policies of the Society.

The aim of the branch is to provide a committed welfare service to both domestic and wildlife animals in the South Wales area – to rescue, rehabilitate and rehome as many animals that need our assistance following neglect, mistreatment or who are unwanted in the home. We endeavour to promote responsibility for animals and environment through the education of children via school visits.

In order to meet its aims and objectives, the branch operates from a 78-acre farmland on the outskirts of Swansea, with facilities to provide the care for animals brought into the centre. The capacity of the centre is 57 dogs and 102 cats, 100 miscellaneous plus pups and kittens at any one time. The facilities allow the animals to be provided with the peace and tranquillity they often require as they go through rehabilitation. The branch works closely with the local RSPCA inspectorate providing the support and space for them to provide their services. The branch also works closely with St James Veterinary Group to provide its veterinary services for the branch animals and also works with a number of volunteers to help with the animals at the Centre, in the shops and out on the site, providing much needed hands-on experience and assistance.

Meeting the public benefit reporting requirement of the Charities Act
The trustees have reviewed the outcomes and achievements of the objectives and activities for the year, to ensure they remain focused on the charitable aims, and continue to deliver benefits to the public. In deciding what activities the Branch should undertake, the trustees have complied with the duty under the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Commission.

Under the Charities Act 2011, the advancement of animal welfare is recognised as a distinct statutory charitable purpose. This legislation and the Animal Welfare Act 2006 indicate an acceptance by society that treating living creatures with compassion has a moral benefit for the public as a whole. Whilst this public benefit is clear, it is sometimes difficult to quantify and must be balanced against any detriment.

The Branch's animal welfare work, although local in nature, benefits society at large, and also aims to help people in need with the care of their animals. All the charitable activities, as described in more detail in the following pages of this report, focus on promoting kindness and preventing or suppressing cruelty to animals and are undertaken to further these purposes for the public benefit.

The opportunity for free use of the Llys Nini site to the local and wider community, and our partnership working with other agencies in the delivery of educational opportunities and volunteering and training for people at risk of social exclusion, in addition to our environmental work, demonstrates our commitment to being a holistic charity.

As an active RSPCA Branch, we support our local Inspectors by taking in mistreated or abandoned animals, including pets whose owners suffer ill health or financial difficulties or pass away.

The Branch provides subsidised veterinary treatment for animals which are sick or injured and who belong to branch area people on low incomes through a voucher scheme. Subsidised neutering and micro-chipping of cats is also provided for those in the Branch area on low incomes working in collaboration with the Cats' Protection. This work helps to control cat populations through neutering and benefits those on means tested benefits by giving them financial help to neuter and microchip cats, thereby promoting responsible pet ownership.

Animals in our care receive veterinary treatment, vaccination, neutering, micro-chipping and are assessed for re-homing. This work helps to control the spread of disease and suffering.

The Branch re-homes animals in need to people willing and able to have a companion animal. Whilst we recognise that companion animals provide measurable benefits to people's physical and mental health, we consider the provision of pets as subsidiary to the main charitable aim of this service, which is to reduce animal suffering. Our policy to charge a reasonable adoption fee for animals aims to highlight the on-going personal and financial commitment of pet ownership. It would not be in the best interests of animals, and therefore would fall outside our objects, to re-home to those who could not afford them.

The Branch also provides, free of charge, advertising of lost and found animals and, through our Facebook and Twitter accounts, takes steps to reunite them with owners. This work benefits our local community (including local authorities) by preventing animals straying and posing a risk to themselves and to people through road traffic accidents.

The Branch responds to enquiries from the public about animals locally.

The public benefits from knowing that we can intervene to assist animals in need; offer free animal care advice on the phone, and on our website; promotion of responsible pet ownership.

We provide volunteering and training opportunities for those who wish to support our work, which benefits local people and companies by providing the possibility of doing work which is compassionate and rewarding in addition to learning new skills.

We recycle and reuse hundreds of kilos of unwanted textiles and other materials that would otherwise go to landfill. We provide good quality low cost clothing and household items to the public through our shops and also provide, free of charge, essential clothes and when available other items to rough sleepers and homeless people through the appropriate agencies.

Achievements and performance

2020 was a challenging year indeed. The Welsh Government-imposed restrictions meant that our shops were closed for over 5 months, the Animal Centre was closed to the public and volunteers for over 6 months and all fundraising events were cancelled. Despite this, Llys Nini remained operational throughout the year, but on a much reduced capacity due to the inability to rehome for a number of months, and the limited number of animals actually coming into the Centre due to the Inspectorate work levels also falling as they were unable to make visits to the public. For much of 2020, Llys Nini operated a "virtual rehoming system" – potential adopters could view animals online only, vetting of potential new owners was done virtually, and animals were delivered to new owners for part of the year by our staff.

Whilst the shops were closed, all shop staff and shop related staff were put onto the furlough scheme. Because of this scheme, we were able to keep our valued staff members on until such time the shops were allowed to open. Sadly, due to the reduced numbers of animals in our care we had to make some of our workers redundant – in the main, our casual workers. A small number of centre staff were also placed on furlough.

When the shops reopened, risk assessments were prepared and guidance from the Charity Retail Association and the Welsh Government were followed. The staff were also consulted as to what it was that they felt was important in keeping themselves safe at work. A similar process was also taken with the Animal Centre in conjunction with the RSPCA guidelines and Animal Centre Staff.

Llys Nini accepted 337 animals, most of whom had been rescued by RSPCA inspectors and were in poor health. By December, the dedicated staff nursed the majority of them back to health and had re-homed 381 of them. Llys Nini continues to provide welfare assistance throughout the branch area via a voucher scheme. Llys Nini has helped 367 animals by means of welfare assistance and a further 189 animals via the chipping and neutering schemes in place.

It is the branch's policy that no healthy and re-homeable animal is euthanised.

The branch has continued to work with the Cats Protection and have neutered a large number of cats within the Branch area. The scheme offers neutering and micro-chipping to cats belonging to people on low incomes. There has also been a high-profile advertising campaign via social media to promote this scheme. The Cat neutering programme this year saw 1,030 cats neutered and microchipped within the branch area.

The St James Veterinary Clinic on our site continues to be a huge help to the branch, cutting down on costs and has been much better for the animals needing the Vet treatments or check- ups.

In 2015 the branch was awarded grants from The Big Lottery and Natural Resources Wales. This work on site ended in 2018 with the branch working closely with the Swansea Council Conservation Team to develop otter and amphibian ponds, bird and insect areas and a reptile sanctuary and nature has taken its course. We now regularly have evidence of otters, kingfishers, heron, bats and owls visiting our site.

The funding allowed us to develop and conserve habitats on the Llys Nini site as well as the construction of paths and boardwalks so that people can come and enjoy the green spaces. The Safeguarding Officer has also continued working with people with disabilities when allowed this year, helping them to contribute to the development of the site and the wildlife. The site has also been awarded a Community Green Flag Award for a fifth year. Our wildlife hide sponsored by Tesco's "Bags of help" is a good place to view the wildlife on the pond.

During the year, new environmental legislation required Llys Nini to upgrade its Effluent Plant at a significant cost. The old reed bed was coming to the end of its life and if we wanted to continue with the re-homing facilities then we just had to replace. Significant grant funding was obtained from Moondance Foundation and the Lottery Awards for All to cover part of the costs, for which we are most grateful.

A new visitors toilet block was also erected in early March 2020 to increase the facilities for our increasing visitors to the site.

This year, the number of volunteers has been drastically affected with only a limited number of volunteers being allowed to work on site due to the Covid restrictions – cat socialising, dog walking, fundraising preparation.

The majority of our fundraising events were also cancelled this year. However, our fundraising team have worked tirelessly in innovative ways to raise the much needed funds – virtual dog walks, virtual cat and dog shows, virtual pumpkin carvings, promoting our Safe Haven Scheme and social media fundraising, to name but a few.

Another good thing that has come out of the Covid restrictions is that our marquee has been used as a charity shop stock holding centre. Instead of the expensive trawling process, the supportive public have been delivering their donations to the Animal Centre for onward distribution to the shops for resale. It has been at times too successful, where donation levels have been full to bursting but we are again very grateful for the support.

The Trustees of RSPCA Llys Nini would like to record their gratitude to all branch staff, volunteers, supporters and partner organisations. The Branch is a voluntary organisation and without this level of mutual support would not be able to function for the benefit of people and animals.

Financial review

The Branch's results for the year are set out on the Statement of Financial Activities on page 15.

The Branch has resulted a surplus of £659,282 (2019: surplus £122,648) recorded for the year. The surplus is largely due to an increase in legacy income.

Income
Donations and gift aid income has increased from the previous year from £144,519 to £167,530.

Legacy income has increased on the previous year from £102,057 to £510,817. Legacy income is an unpredictable source of income, but from which the branch has benefited greatly over the past few years.

The Trustees have continued to obtain various grants to support the work they are undertaking at Llys Nini, such as, promoting the site for educational, environmental and heritage purposes and to subsidise staff costs and capital expenditure on certain projects. Retail Support Grants and the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme grants were offered by the Welsh Government particularly when the shops were forced to close and has helped significantly.

Income from the charity shops has decreased significantly due to the shops being closed for a significant amount of the year due to Welsh Government imposed Covid-19 restrictions.

Money market income has increased due to the levels of investments held but the poor market conditions have resulted in poor interest rates return on the deposits held and low dividends received.

The movement in unrealised gain (where market value is higher than actual cost) amounted to £27,356 (2019: £96,846). Realised gains (where investments were sold) amounted to £53,962 (2019: £34,397).

During the year, the charity did not dispose of any assets and therefore made no profit on disposals (2019: £1,500).

Income generated from other activities included rent from the Veterinary Clinic, Groomers, Beekeepers and Wildflower sites together with the rent for the solar field.

Many virtual events were held during the year for fundraising – Mutts Srutts, Dog shows, Pumpkin carving and other virtual events together with promoting the Safe Haven scheme and social media, all which have helped to raise income totalling £192,314 (2019: £113,817).

Expenditure
Salaries continue to be the main category of charitable expenditure; £425,161 (2019: £389,459) for the direct caring of animals and the environment; £384,280 (2019: £411,193) for the shop workers and administration of shops and £39,205 (2019: £41,280) for fundraising team. Salaries of the Branch Executive and Finance manager are allocated per proportion of their time covering the areas of the branch activities.

Support costs include charges by HQ to cover the legal & administrative costs relating to the legacy income.

The charity generated an unrestricted surplus (excluding gain on investments) of £597,566 for the year ended 31 December 2020 (2019: deficit of £28,008).

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Investment policy
The policy of investing in equities and fixed interest securities remains unchanged with the investment managers – Watermark Financial Planning managing the main fund with Old Mutual Wealth. Barclays Portfolio Investment managers manage the Barclays portfolio. Trustees are forwarded regular reports of how well the investments are performing in order to make informed decisions on the investments held.

The trustees review the investment policy annually with a view to diversifying and obtaining the best possible return at manageable risk with restrictions placed upon the funds being invested in anything detrimental to the environmental & animal welfare.

The investments analysis, valuation and costs are shown in note 15.

Deposit accounts are also held with Barclays Wealth, Swansea Building Society and Monmouthshire Building Society on shorter term deposit terms.

Principal funding sources
One of the main sources of funding is through adoptions and re-homing income. The branch also raises funds from the operation of 12 charity shops within the branch area in order to support its charitable activities. In addition, it raises rental income from various properties it owns and all funds are returned to the branch to support its activities.

Various fundraising activities throughout the year help raise the profile and raise funds for the branch.

Reserves policy
The Trustees regularly review the reserves held of the charity. They have reviewed both the income and expenditure of a fixed and variable nature. Their findings are that to allow the branch to operate efficiently and to enable adequate resources to meet their commitments they consider free reserves of at least £500,000 should be maintained. This is equivalent to approximately three months of unrestricted expenditure. The branch has met with this policy at year end with free reserves totalling £2,118,847 (2019: £1,432,570).

Contribution made by volunteers
The Charity is both dependent upon and much appreciative of the work that the many volunteers do on behalf of the branch. Usually a large number of the volunteers give freely of their time to support many of the day to day duties of the branch such as dog walking, dog and cat socialising, working on the reception assisting in the facilitating re-homing of the animals in care, administrative duties, volunteering in the charity shops, volunteering to work on environmental projects, and of course raising the profile of the branch through fundraising. This has been restrictive this year but will hopefully not be the case for much of 2021.The trustees appreciate the continued support of all volunteers.

Trustees of the branch are required to be members of the Branch.

Plans for future periods

The trustees are committed to provide animal welfare services at Llys Nini and to operate welfare assistance schemes throughout the extended branch area.

In order to maximise income generation, the charity plans to continue to manage its land for biodiversity and to develop a "green" visitors' attraction. These plans will use none of the charity's funds but will rely on money from other sources, including various grants.

The Trustees are committed to the Environmental work on the site and are working with a number of organisations such as Forest Schools to encourage the young people to enjoy the wildlife. The Swansea Bee Society also continues to work on site. Celtic Wildflowers is using the Centre as a location in which to grow native wildflower plants and trees, which in itself will be a benefit to the wildlife at the Centre. We continue to look at other organisations to work with to use the land for the benefit of the environment.

The Trustees also seek to increase revenue generated from its shops operation by making its existing shops more profitable and efficient and potentially looking for further shops to invest in.

Work building up awareness in the Cardiff area is slow in developing. There is still an interest in setting up a rehoming centre in Cardiff but this is being hindered by the lack of suitable and affordable property.

In 2020 the branch area increased further to include SA9 part of the Brecknock & District branch.

When the Covid restrictions are lifted, we anticipate that life can come back to some sort of "Normality" – real life events can take place, public back on site for the trails. There are of course aspects of a virtual life that have proved to be successful – holding virtual Trustee meetings has shown that more Trustees meet on a regular basis and have been very successful and effective meetings.

Structure, governance and management

Governing Document
The organisation is an unincorporated charity, registered with the Charity Commission on 21 August 1963, and operates as an autonomous branch of the RSPCA, subject to its rules for branches (as updated in 2012).

In August 2016 the Trustees obtained an order from the Charity Commission to incorporate the charity trustees as a body incorporate under the power given in section 251 of the Charities Act 2011. This means that all property of the charity is transferred to the incorporated body. Its governing document encompasses the rules adopted on 18 February 2009 as amended on 8 April 2017.

Recruitment and Appointment of Management Committee
The charity is governed by a minimum of 7 to a maximum of 14 Trustees, appointed annually by way of a members' ballot, which is held at the Annual General Meeting. All trustees are briefed on their responsibilities as Trustees by the Chair of Trustees and have access to the online Trustee Handbook and RSPCA guidelines together with the appropriate Charity Commission publications. There is no requirement for trustees to retire by rotation.

All trustees are deemed to be "fit and proper persons" and eligible to be trustees of RSPCA Llys Nini.

Organisational Structure
The trustees hold monthly meetings at which decisions on policy and practice are made. The day-to-day running of the Animal Centre is delegated to the Animal Centre Manager, and the day-to-day running of the shops is delegated to the Area Shop Manager and to the individual shops' managers. The Branch Executive and the Finance Manager are the lead professionals, line managing the middle management team and, with the Chair, managing the running of the branch as a whole.

A register of Trustee interests is maintained at the branch and is available to the public for review.

Pay policy for Key Management Personnel
The trustees consider that the senior management team, comprised of the key management personnel of the charity, are in charge of directing and controlling, running and operating the branch on a day-to-day basis. All trustees give of their time freely and no trustee received remuneration in the year. Details of trustee expenses, key management personnel and related party transactions are disclosed in note 11 and 12 to the accounts.

The pay of the senior staff is reviewed annually and normally increased in accordance with average earnings. In view of the nature of the charity, the trustees' benchmark against pay levels in other charities of a similar size and operating in the same sector. The remuneration is benchmarked using market data which is readily available.

Related Parties
The branch is affiliated to the RSPCA. It also co-operates and liaises with a number of other organisations to achieve its objectives on a broader level, such as Cats Protection, Dogs' Trust, WCVA , Swansea Council Conservation Team. It also works closely with St James Veterinary Practice.

Risk Management
Trustees actively review the risks that the charity faces on a regular basis, including operational and financial reviews and have established systems to mitigate the significant risks, which they have identified as:

- an inability to operate the Animal Centre and other Animal Welfare Services through lack of funds;
- an inability to operate the Animal Centre due to fire or other destruction;
- an inability to operate the shops due to fire or other destruction;
- a loss of reputation through error or fraud;
- an inability to operate as a branch due to a future potential lack of trustees;
- reliance upon a limited number of individuals to undertake duties.
- reliance on donations/donated goods for main source of income.
- Shutdown on all fundraising opportunities.

Trustee and Management regularly review the major risks to which the charity is exposed bringing attention to newly identified exposures. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance Health & Safety requirements relating to staff, trustees, volunteers and visitors to the premises. A safeguarding officer has also been appointed.

The Llys Nini Branch is an independently registered charity affiliated to the RSPCA. The Branch is responsible for the Llys Nini Animal Centre and raises all the running costs for the Centre itself.

Fundraising
RSPCA Llys Nini do not engage with professional fundraisers to act on our behalf to actively fundraise. They do however partner up with the RSPCA who undertake a door to door committed giving scheme on behalf of both charities. The RSPCA takes full responsibility and manages this operation. They are members of the Association of Fundraisers and abide by their code of practice.

There has not been any instance of failure by the charity, or by any person acting on its behalf, to comply with fundraising standards or scheme for fundraising regulation that the charity or the person acting on its behalf has voluntarily subscribed.

RSPCA Llys Nini has utilised the digital advertising via social media and has employed an agent to facilitate this process.

There are occasions when individuals will use social media platforms to fundraise on behalf of RSPCA Llys Nini. The administrators of our social media platforms regularly monitor activities on the social media to validate their activity. If not appropriate then they will be removed.

In order to protect vulnerable people and other members of the public, RSPCA Llys Nini does not undertake cold calling or chugging, and therefore do not make first contact with anyone to donate to the charity. All subscribers' details are kept in compliance with GDPR.

Limited bucket collections are performed but with the necessary licences required from the local councils. All donations are made freely and no pressure applied for donations. All collectors work in pairs to protect each other and the public.

There have been no complaints received by the charity or by a person acting on its behalf for the purpose of fundraising or about fundraising activity.

Reference and administrative details

Registered charity name	Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Llys Nini Branch - Cardiff to Swansea
Known as	RSPCA, Llys Nini Branch - Cardiff to Swansea
Charity number	224337
Principal office	Llys Nini Animal Centre Penllergaer Swansea SA4 9WB
President	Martin Trainer
Vice Presidents	Joe and Lacey Allen Kevin Johns
Trustees	Sally Hyman (Chair) Jill Fordham (Vice Chair) Claire Chappell (Secretary) Nathan Morris (Treasurer) Catherine Thomas Jean Rawlings Rev Stephen Jenkyns Rev Elaine Jenkyns Rebecca Miles Patricia Flint - Resigned 29/09/2020 Deirdre Magoris Robert Davies
Auditors	Azets Audit Services Ty Derw Lime Tree Court Cardiff Gate Business Park Cardiff CF23 8AB
Bankers and portfolio managers	Barclays Bank Plc 70 The Kingsway Swansea SA1 5JB
Investment advisors	Watermark Financial Planning 1st Floor 98 Walter Road Swansea SA1 5QJ
Legal advsiors	JCP Solicitiors

	Swansea Enterprise Park Venture Court Waterside Business Park Valley Way Swansea SA6 8AH
Key management personnel	Mr David Stokes - Branch Executive Mrs Claire Phillips - Finance Manager Mr Gary Weeks - Animal Centre Manager Mrs Kim Williams - Area Shop Manager

The trustees report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

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S Hyman
Chair
Dated: 22/5/21.

ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARDIFF TO SWANSEA

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

The trustees 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).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that year.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;

- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and

- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping sufficient accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARDIFF TO SWANSEA

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARDIFF TO SWANSEA

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Llys Nini Branch - Cardiff to Swansea (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 December 2020 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet, the statement of cash flows and the notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 December 2020 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

TO THE TRUSTEES OF ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARDIFF TO SWANSEA

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the trustees report; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the statement of trustees responsibilities, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditor under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud
Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above and on the Financial Reporting Council's website, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud.

We obtain and update our understanding of the entity, its activities, its control environment, and likely future developments, including in relation to the legal and regulatory framework applicable and how the entity is complying with that framework. Based on this understanding, we identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. This includes consideration of the risk of acts by the entity that were contrary to applicable laws and regulations, including fraud.

In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations, including fraud, we designed procedures which included:

- Enquiry of management and those charged with governance around actual and potential litigation and claims as well as actual, suspected and alleged fraud;
- Reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance;
- Assessing the extent of compliance with the laws and regulations considered to have a direct material effect on the financial statements or the operations of the entity through enquiry and inspection;
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- Performing audit work over the risk of management bias and override of controls, including testing of journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions outside the normal course of business and reviewing accounting estimates for indicators of potential bias.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

Other matters
Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared financial statements in accordance with "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)" (as amended) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn.

This has been done in order for the financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with current Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

TO THE TRUSTEES OF ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARDIFF TO SWANSEA

Use of our report

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. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Azets Audit Services

03-06-2021

Azets Audit Services

Chartered Accountants
Statutory Auditor

Ty Derw
Lime Tree Court
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Cardiff
CF23 8AB

Azets Audit Services is eligible for appointment as auditor of the charity by virtue of its eligibility for appointment as auditor of a company under of section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARDIFF TO SWANSEA

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Restricted funds 2020 £	Total 2020 £	Unrestricted funds 2019 £	Restricted funds 2019 £	Total 2019 £
Income and endowments from:							
Donations and legacies	3	678,347	-	678,347	246,576	-	246,576
Charitable activities	4	383,189	196,135	579,324	147,381	81,908	229,289
Other trading activities	5	689,683	-	689,683	1,055,505	-	1,055,505
Investments	6	7,711	-	7,711	6,761	-	6,761
Other income	7	22,505	-	22,505	1,500	-	1,500
Total income		1,781,435	196,135	1,977,570	1,457,723	81,908	1,539,631
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds	8	707,816	-	707,816	836,626	-	836,626
Charitable activities	9	476,053	215,737	691,790	649,105	62,494	711,599
Total resources expended		1,183,869	215,737	1,399,606	1,485,731	62,494	1,548,225
Net gains/(losses) on investments	13	81,318	-	81,318	131,242	-	131,242
Net movement in funds		678,884	(19,602)	659,282	103,234	19,414	122,648
Fund balances at 1 January 2020		3,168,189	508,095	3,676,284	3,064,955	488,681	3,553,636
Fund balances at 31 December 2020		3,847,073	488,493	4,335,566	3,168,189	508,095	3,676,284

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARDIFF TO SWANSEA

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Notes	2020 £	2020 £	2019 £	2019 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	**14**		1,508,105		1,456,365
Investments	**15**		1,514,878		1,431,419
			3,022,983		2,887,784
Current assets					
Stocks	**17**	14,362		22,822	
Debtors	**18**	257,200		285,870	
Cash at bank and in hand		1,198,698		632,004	
		1,470,260		940,696	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	**19**	(157,677)		(152,196)	
Net current assets			1,312,583		788,500
Total assets less current liabilities			4,335,566		3,676,284
Income funds					
Restricted funds	**22**		488,493		508,095
Unrestricted funds					
Designated funds	**23**	1,728,226		1,735,619	
General unrestricted funds		2,118,847		1,432,570	
			3,847,073		3,168,189
			4,335,566		3,676,284

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 18th May 2021.

J Fordham
Trustee

S Hyman
Chair

ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, LLYS NINI BRANCH - CARDIFF TO SWANSEA

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Notes	2020 £	2020 £	2019 £	2019 £
Cash flows from operating activities					
Cash generated from operations	**27**		700,356		90,910
Investing activities					
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(139,232)		(116,566)	
Proceeds on disposal of tangible fixed assets		-		1,500	
Purchase of investments		(349,990)		(180,475)	
Proceeds on disposal of investments		347,849		182,668	
Investment income received		7,711		6,761	
Net cash used in investing activities			(133,662)		(106,112)
Net cash used in financing activities			-		-
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents			566,694		(15,202)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			632,004		647,206
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year			1,198,698		632,004

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Llys Nini Branch - Cardiff to Swansea is an unincorporated charity whose principal office is Llys Nini Animal Centre, Penllergaer, Swansea, SA4 9WB.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

The trustees have considered the likely impact of Covid 19 upon the charity's finances and concluded that this will not alter this expectation.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Designated funds comprise funds which have been set aside at the discretion of the trustees for specific purposes. The purposes and uses of the designated funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

1 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included in these accounts. Donated goods are recognised at their value when the sale takes place.

Income from grants, whether 'capital' grants or 'revenue' grants, is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred, Capital grants are released to the Statement of Financial Activities in the year of receipt. Fixed assets relating to capital grants are capitalised, and depreciation charged is offset against grant income, in a restricted fund.

Income from charitable trading activities represents fees charged in respect of the adoption and treatment of animals, the provision of boarding facilities and claim fees for recovered pets, these income streams are credited to the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which they are due. Income received in advance is deferred to the appropriate financial year.

Charity shop and other miscellaneous income is recognised in the period when the sale takes place.

Rental and solar farm income is recognised in the period to which the service is provided.

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank.

1.5 Resources expended

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

Costs of raising funds comprise the costs in relation to generating income such as fundraising activities.

Expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs relating to the furtherance of the charity's objectives as stated in the trustees report.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories in the Statement of Financial Activities on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource. Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly while others are apportioned on an appropriate basis, as set out in the support costs note.

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

1 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Freehold land and buildings	Nil
Buildings	2% per annum straight line
Building improvements	10% per annum straight liune
Fixtures and fittings	10-33% per annum straight line
Clinic equipment	10% per annum reducing balance
Motor vehicles	20% per annum straight line

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year.

Individual fixed assets costing £250 or more are capitalised at cost.

1.7 Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting date. Changes in fair value are recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

1.8 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

1.9 Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell. Cost comprises direct materials and, where applicable, direct labour costs and those overheads that have been incurred in bringing the stocks to their present location and condition. Items held for distribution at no or nominal consideration are measured the lower of replacement cost and cost.

Donated goods for sale are not valued.

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price less all estimated costs of completion and costs to be incurred in marketing, selling and distribution.

1.10 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

1.11 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Derecognition of financial assets

Financial assets are derecognised only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire or are settled, or when the charity transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to another entity, or if some significant risks and rewards of ownership are retained but control of the asset has transferred to another party that is able to sell the asset in its entirety to an unrelated third party.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.12 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

1.13 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

1 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

1.14 Leases

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to expenditure on a straight line basis over the term of the relevant lease.

Rentals due under operating leases are charged to income on a straight line basis over the term of the relevant lease.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

The charity does not have any key or significant accounting estimates.

3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2020	2019
	£	£
Donations and gifts	167,530	144,519
Legacies receivable	510,817	102,057
	678,347	246,576

4 Charitable activities

	2020 £	2019 £
Adoptions, claiming and housing	74,866	107,486
Clinic and miscellaneous receipts	19,323	25,862
Regional grant - neutering program	2,048	4,858
Grants received	483,087	91,083
	579,324	229,289
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	383,189	147,381
Restricted funds	196,135	81,908
	579,324	229,289
Grants		
Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme	179,154	-
Retail Support grants	289,000	-
Dwr Cymru	500	-
Petplan	4,250	-
Pets at Home	10,183	3,365
Moondance Foundation	-	50,000
Austin Bailey Foundation	-	500
HSBC	-	12,436
Swansea CVS	-	3,000
Spears	-	500
The Millenium Stadium Charitable Trust		4,614
Big Lottery Fund		16,667
	483,087	91,083

5 Other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Unrestricted funds 2019 £
Charity shops	433,612	880,228
Special events	192,314	113,817
Rent income	56,218	54,999
Miscellaneous	7,539	6,461
Other trading activities	689,683	1,055,505

6 Investments

	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Unrestricted funds 2019 £
Money market interest	5,150	3,784
Interest receivable	2,561	2,977
	7,711	6,761

7 Other income

	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Unrestricted funds 2019 £
Net gain on disposal of tangible fixed assets	-	1,500
RSPCA Brecknock and District Branch	22,505	-
	22,505	1,500

The charity received circa 20% of the net assets of RSPCA Brecknock & District Branch during the year (charity number 224780). The charity has taken over an element of the services provided by the branch during 2019/20.

8 Raising funds

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2020	2019
	£	£
Rent, rates, light and heat	206,078	255,449
Insurance	6,248	5,832
Maintenance and repairs	12,109	15,206
Waste disposal and cleaning	9,761	5,829
Advertising	-	2,589
Other fundraising costs	20,388	15,547
Staff costs	407,354	452,878
Support costs	13,838	30,241
Shop goods for resale	16,285	37,885
Postage, stationery and telephone	2,689	526
Governance support costs	3,210	4,347
Investment management	9,856	10,297
	707,816	836,626

9 Charitable activities

	2020	2019
	£	£
Staff costs	425,161	389,459
Rent, rates, light and heat	21,352	23,079
Insurance	2,436	2,400
Maintenance and repairs	13,367	23,379
Waste disposal and cleaning	13,227	16,933
Telephone	3,033	2,801
Travel and subsistence	1,621	3,194
Shop goods for resale	14,555	28,013
Vet fees, medicine and welfare costs	64,052	98,078
Food and pet supplies	17,815	25,363
Postage, stationery, computer costs and advertising	12,043	4,709
Staff training	300	733
Staff uniforms	51	1,655
Miscellaneous costs	1,731	1,840
	590,744	621,636
Share of support costs (see note 10)	97,836	85,616
Share of governance costs (see note 10)	3,210	4,347
	691,790	711,599
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	476,053	
Restricted funds	215,737	
	691,790	

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10 Support costs

	Support costs	Governance costs	2020	Support costs	Governance costs	2019
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Depreciation	87,492	-	87,492	90,135	-	90,135
Bank and credit card charges	3,861	-	3,861	13,018	-	13,018
Professional charges	19,666	-	19,666	11,094	-	11,094
Contribution to HQ and region	551	-	551	1,610	-	1,610
Bad debts written off	104	-	104	-	-	-
Audit fees	-	4,150	4,150	-	5,200	5,200
Trustees expenses	-	-	-	-	1,204	1,204
Accountancy fees	-	2,270	2,270	-	2,290	2,290
	111,674	6,420	118,094	115,857	8,694	124,551
Analysed between						
Fundraising	13,838	3,210	17,048	30,241	4,347	34,588
Charitable activities	97,836	3,210	101,046	85,616	4,347	89,963
	111,674	6,420	118,094	115,857	8,694	124,551

11 Trustees

Expenses of £nil (2019: £1,204) were reimbursed to trustees during the year. The above reimbursement was in relation to nil (2019: 1) trustee, for travel and subsistence.

No trustee received remuneration during the current or prior year.

12 Employees

Number of employees
The average monthly number of employees during the year was: 55 (2019: 63).

The average monthly number of full time equivalent employees during the year was:

	2020 Number	2019 Number
Management and administration	4	4
Animal care	22	25
Shops	18	18
	44	47

Employment costs	2020 £	2019 £
Wages and salaries	760,732	772,562
Social security costs	43,955	42,412
Other pension costs	27,828	27,363
	832,515	842,337

Key management personnel
The key management personnel of the charity in 2020 and in 2019 are the Branch Executive, the Finance Manager, the Centre Manager, the Area Shop Manager and the trustees. The total benefits of the key management personnel of the branch were £135,457 (2019: £127,560).

Redundancy payments
The charity made redundancy payments of £10,062 (2019: £7,600) during the year. No balances were outstanding at the year end (2019: £nil).

Employees earning > £60k
There were no employees whose annual remuneration was £60,000 or more.

13 Net gains/(losses) on investments

	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Unrestricted funds 2019 £
Revaluation of investments	81,318	131,242

14 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land and buildings	Fixtures and fittings	Clinic equipment	Motor vehicles	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Cost					
At 1 January 2020	2,116,116	834,330	4,125	26,985	2,981,556
Additions	-	139,232	-	-	139,232
Disposals	-	(41,344)	-	-	(41,344)
At 31 December 2020	2,116,116	932,218	4,125	26,985	3,079,444
Depreciation and impairment					
At 1 January 2020	850,962	650,680	4,125	19,424	1,525,191
Depreciation charged in the year	37,028	47,332	-	3,132	87,492
Eliminated in respect of disposals	-	(41,344)	-	-	(41,344)
At 31 December 2020	887,990	656,668	4,125	22,556	1,571,339
Carrying amount					
At 31 December 2020	1,228,126	275,550	-	4,429	1,508,105
At 31 December 2019	1,265,154	183,650	-	7,561	1,456,365

15 Fixed asset investments

	Listed investments	Cash in portfolio	Total
	£		£
Cost or valuation			
At 1 January 2020	1,429,220	2,199	1,431,419
Additions	349,990	-	349,990
Valuation changes	81,318	-	81,318
Cash movement	-	2,144	2,144
Disposals	(349,993)	-	(349,993)
At 31 December 2020	1,510,535	4,343	1,514,878
Carrying amount			
At 31 December 2020	1,510,535	4,343	1,514,878
At 31 December 2019	1,429,220	2,199	1,431,419

16 Financial instruments

	2020	2019
	£	£
Carrying amount of financial assets		
Instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss	1,510,535	1,429,220

17 Stocks

	2020	2019
	£	£
Stock	14,362	22,822

18 Debtors

Amounts falling due within one year:	2020 £	2019 £
Trade debtors	2,494	19,807
Other debtors	119,550	159,935
Prepayments and accrued income	135,156	106,128
	257,200	285,870

19 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Notes	2020 £	2019 £
Other taxation and social security		21,875	20,081
Deferred income	20	18,000	-
Trade creditors		29,633	36,308
Other creditors		61,703	69,237
Accruals		26,466	26,570
		157,677	152,196

20 Deferred income

	2020	2019
	£	£
Arising from grants	18,000	-

Deferred income is included in the financial statements as follows:

	2020	2019
	£	£
Balance brought forward	-	6,667
Income received	307,000	-
Income released	(289,000)	(6,667)
Balance carried forward	18,000	-

21 Retirement benefit schemes

Defined contribution schemes

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund.

The charge to profit or loss in respect of defined contribution schemes was £27,828 (2019 - £27,363).

Amounts outstanding at the year end totalled £7,186 (2019: £11,524).

22 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

		Movement in funds			Movement in funds		
	Balance at 1 January 2019	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 1 January 2020	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 31 December 2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Capital grant	436,646	-	(15,900)	420,746	-	(15,581)	405,165
Pets at Home	-	-	-	-	10,184	(10,184)	-
Ferret house build	3,000	-	(2,000)	1,000	-	(1,000)	-
Wren - playground	18,781	-	(18,781)	-	-	-	-
Dwr Cymru	-	-	-	-	500	(20)	480
Department for Work and Pensions	706	-	(250)	456	-	(250)	206
Petplan	-	-	-	-	4,250	(170)	4,080
Big Lottery Fund - People and Places	12,446	-	(12,446)	-	-	-	-
National Lottery Awards for All	3,479	-	(760)	2,719	-	(760)	1,959
Nationwide Building Society grant	1,759	-	(1,759)	-	-	-	-
Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme	-	-	-	-	179,153	(179,153)	-
People's Postcode Lottery	6,294	-	(1,683)	4,611	-	(1,683)	2,928
RSPCA Cardiff & District Branch	4,000	-	-	4,000	-	-	4,000
Neutering grant	-	4,858	(4,858)	-	2,048	(2,048)	-
Tesco Groundwork	1,570	-	(1,570)	-	-	-	-
HSBC	-	12,436	(2,487)	9,949	-	(2,488)	7,461
Moondance Foundation	-	50,000	-	50,000	-	(2,000)	48,000
Millenium Stadium Charitable Trust	-	4,614	-	4,614		-	4,614
National Lottery - Awards for All	-	10,000	-	10,000		(400)	9,600
	488,681	(81,908)	(62,494)	508,095	196,135	(215,737)	488,493

22 Restricted funds **(Continued)**

Capital grant
A project to build a new animal centre at Llys Nini Farm, the Swansea Shop, upgrade to Centre and Centre Vet clinic. The grant is being released to unrestricted funds in line with the depreciation policy.

Pets at Home
This funding relates to vouchers provided by Pets At Home to purchase goods for the animals at the centre.

Ferret house build
Grants received to cover costs of the new build of the ferret house.

Wren playground
Assist the building of the Castell Einon playground. Grant is being released to unrestricted reserves in line with the depreciation policy.

Dwr Cymru
This was a community grant received for the purpose to use towards the cost of the effluent plant.

Department for Work and Pensions
For the purchase of specialist office equipment to meet certain staff needs. Income released to unrestricted reserves in line with depreciation policy.

Petplan
This grant was received to contribute to the cost of the effluent plant.

Big Lottery Fund- People and Places
Capital and Revenue grant for environmental project to further develop the site. Income released to unrestricted reserves when expended or if capitalised, in line with depreciation policy.

22 Restricted funds **(Continued)**

National Lottery Awards for All
Grant received to assist the purchase of a coffee pod. Income released to unrestricted reserves when expended or if capitalised, in line with depreciation policy. Additional income was received this year to provide funding towards the safeguarding post.

Nationwide Building Society grant
Grant received to assist the purchase of boardwalk for the environment project. Income released to unrestricted reserves when expended or if capitalised, in line with depreciation policy.

Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme
This funding was to support wages costs during the Covid-19 pandemic.

People's Postcode Lottery
Grant received to assist the purchase of stock fencing. Income released to unrestricted reserves when expended or if capitalised, in line with depreciation policy.

RSPCA Cardiff & District Branch
Reserve transferred from RSPCA Cardiff and District branch to purchase animal welfare equipment for the Cardiff district.

22 Restricted funds **(Continued)**

Neutering grant
Grant received to fund neutering program.

Tesco Groundwork
Tesco bags of help funding to assist with the purchase and construction of the Birdhide on site.

Income released to unrestricted reserves when expended or capitalised in line with depreciation policy.

HSBC
Grant received to assist the purchase of the Marquee. Grant release to unrestricted reserves in line with depreciation policy.

Moondance Foundation
Grant received to assist the purchase of the effluent plant. Grant is to be released to unrestricted reserves in line with depreciation policy. The project has not yet started.

Millennium Stadium Charitable Trust
This grant was received to assist with the costs of the "Environmental Work - Bird Boxes" project.

National Lottery - Awards for All
Grant received to assist the purchase of the effluent plant. Grant is to be released to unrestricted reserves in line with depreciation policy. The project has not yet started.

23 Designated funds

The income funds of the charity include the following designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes:

	Balance at 1 January 2019	Transfers	Balance at 1 January 2020	Transfers	Balance at 31 December 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
Shop rent	200,000	-	200,000	-	200,000
Cardiff rehoming facility	500,000	-	500,000	-	500,000
Fixed asset fund	-	1,035,619	1,035,619	(7,393)	1,028,226
	700,000	1,035,619	1,735,619	(7,393)	1,728,226

Shop rent
Commitments on rental payments for the various charity shops leased by the charity. Funds will be released when required by the charity.

Cardiff rehoming facility
The Trustees have designated funds to invest in a re-homing Centre in Cardiff to increase the profile within that area.

Fixed asset fund
Relates to the net book value of the charity's unrestricted fixed assets. Movement relates to additions, disposals and depreciation in the year.

24 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted 2020	**Designated 2020**	**Restricted 2020**	**Total 2020**	Unrestricted 2019	Designated 2019	Restricted 2019	Total 2019
	£	**£**	**£**	**£**	£	£	£	£
Fund balances at 31 December 2020 are represented by:								
Tangible assets	-	1,028,226	479,879	1,508,105	1,035,619	-	420,746	1,456,365
Investments	1,514,878	-	-	1,514,878	1,431,419	-	-	1,431,419
Current assets/(liabilities)	603,969	700,000	8,614	1,312,583	1,151	700,000	87,349	788,500
	2,118,847	1,728,226	488,493	4,335,566	2,468,189	700,000	508,095	3,676,284

25 Operating lease commitments

At the reporting end date the charity had outstanding commitments for future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases, which fall due as follows:

	2020 £	2019 £
Within one year	123,475	148,072
Between two and five years	193,279	333,263
	316,754	481,335

Lessor

At the reporting end date the charity had contracted with tenants for the following minimum lease payments:

	2020 £	2019 £
Within one year	76,000	76,000
Between two and five years	178,583	221,583
In over five years	440,000	473,000
	694,583	770,583

26 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2019 - none).

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27	**Cash generated from operations**	**2020**	**2019**
		£	**£**
	Surplus for the year	659,282	122,648
	Adjustments for:		
	Investment income recognised in statement of financial activities	(7,711)	(6,761)
	Gain on disposal of tangible fixed assets	-	(1,500)
	Fair value gains and losses on investments	(81,318)	(131,242)
	Depreciation and impairment of tangible fixed assets	87,492	90,135
	Movements in working capital:		
	Decrease/(increase) in stocks	8,460	(5,135)
	Decrease/(increase) in debtors	28,670	(1,976)
	(Decrease)/increase in creditors	(12,519)	31,408
	Increase/(decrease) in deferred income	18,000	(6,667)
	Cash generated from operations	700,356	90,910

28 Analysis of changes in net funds

The charity had no debt during the year.