

RSPCA (GOOLE & DISTRICT BRANCH)

Registered charity number 232214

Trustees' Report and Unaudited Financial Statements

for the year ended 31 December 2020

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Trustees' Report

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered charity number

232214

Principal address

8 Field Lane
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Trustees during the year

A Mellor	Chair
T Marston	Assistant Treasurer
V D Mellor	Fosterer
G Petty	Secretary / Press / Volunteer Coordinator
J Petty	Treasurer
A Ramsden	Cat Coordinator
J Ward	ID chipping Coordinator

Independent examiner

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Trustees' Report (continued)

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The Charitable Trust is constituted by the Trust Deed dated 10th January 1969. The governing document is that of RSPCA Branch Rules as published by the RSPCA, Wilberforce Way, Southwater, Horsham, West Sussex, RH13 9RS.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Appointment of trustees is governed by the Trust Deed of the Charity and the Board of Trustees is authorised to appoint new trustees to fill vacancies arising through resignation or death of an existing trustee. Trustees put themselves up for election and are appointed by the branch membership at the AGM. Comprehensive trustee training is given as required by the BSS.

Committee

The committee consists of 7 volunteers who work very hard on behalf of animal welfare in the area. In addition to these trustees there are a large number of volunteers who help us fundraise, foster, home-check, ID Chip and help run welfare Days

Risk management

The trustees have conducted a review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed and systems have been established to mitigate those risks. These procedures are regularly reviewed to ensure they still meet the needs of the charity.

The charity operates as an autonomous branch of the National RSPCA covering the DN14 postcode area.

The main point of contact is 07599 087527. Goole and District RSPCA is part of the North Region of the RSPCA. We are represented on the Regional Board for the North Region by trustee Tracy Marston.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the Charity continues to be that of the promotion of kindness and prevention of cruelty to animals. The object of the charity is to further animal welfare in the area covered by the branch. The main activities undertaken were the re-homing and fostering of animals as well as their veterinary treatment.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE 2020

The start of the year saw the build of our third cattery and it was just completed as the country went into lockdown, fortunately Ros Wybrew the HQ Field Officer said that based on the good standard of care at our branch she would pass the cattery following a video viewing of the new facility. This cattery at Kay and Carl's has been completed to a very high standard with much of work completed by Carl himself and at his own expense. The cattery has been constantly occupied since it was passed for use.

Throughout the lockdown the fostering team cared for our rescue cats and after several weeks the team put careful measures in place so rehoming could continue. In 2020 we brought into our branch 180 cats, we dealt with a lot of feral cats and took in a lot of kittens from feral habitats, 184 home visits were carried out pre and post. We are fortunate that Abbi specialises in the care of kittens and supports the kitten adopters carefully.

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Trustees' Report (continued)

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE 2020 (continued)

The main RSPCA phone continues to be run by Glenn Webb. His wife Anne organises the welfare and neutering vouchers for the branch. Throughout the year our neutering scheme for cat owners in DN14 on means tested benefits continued at just £15 also we offered those in work vouchers for £25. Welfare grants for sick and injured pets of those on benefits continued where they could obtain a consultation for £15 and we provided £65 worth of treatment.

72 cat neutering vouchers were issued which was a huge reduction on last year when 147 were taken up but this was due to Rase only carrying out emergency veterinary care for several months of the pandemic, in total with foster cats 190 cats were neutered, the same was true of welfare vouchers with 77 cats and 13 dogs receiving assistance whereas last year 103 cats and 78 dogs had vet care, the reduction in dogs was due to us being unable to hold the Dog Welfare Day we had planned for November.

We continue to work with Rase Veterinary Clinic in Gatesby Road for neutering and welfare vouchers. Rase also agreed to supply a vet and veterinary assistant for our welfare days. We held a Cat Welfare Day in September, Abbi took the lead in organising this event with a very good team of volunteers who took care in planning with the pandemic in mind, the day went off very well with the only problem occurring when a member of public brought their cat in a broken cat carrier which it escaped from in the carpark and went into a car engine and the fire brigade were called out. The Dog Welfare Day was also very well planned but as the country went into further measures for the pandemic the event couldn't go ahead.

The branch continues to work closely with End Cottage Veterinary Clinic in Howden they do all our foster work and deal with feral cats for us.

June has continued to run the ID Chipping for the branch, she organises the chips and works regularly with the vets and fosterers. Both Rase and End Cottage continue to chip our animals for free with June supplying the chips to them. Between the veterinary clinics and June, we organised 213 cats to be ID chipped.

Fundraising and Volunteers continued to be organised by Georgina Petty. Although we were unable to hold a Dog Show, collect in Tesco, run stalls etc. Georgina kept in touch with our volunteers regularly sending reports and information.

The Goole Times support has once again been an invaluable help in promoting our work and re-homing cats with their free editorials. Trudi and Georgina communicate with the Goole Times, Trudi sorts our website and the rehoming on National website, Georgina continues to run the face book page and is regularly contacted by the public on face book regarding welfare, neutering, adoptions, also along with Amy receives the branch e mails with various communications, especially with the perfect match forms for adoptions. Throughout 2020 they worked closely with Cat Coordinator Ann to find homes for the cats. Amy singlehandedly completed all the home visits visually on-line. The successful home visits then led to the fosterers doing virtual meetings with the potential adopters so they could view and discuss the cats and despite the pandemic 156 cats were found homes in this way. We need to thank Ann who along with her many other jobs has the task of consulting those who don't match the cat and have to be told this is the case.

Another new development has been that Carl is now our Shopkeeper he organises the stock for our fostering rather than several of us doing this, he is a bargain hunter and sources the best deals for us, fosterers contact Carl for their needs from special cat diet food to anti stress spray. Abbi continues to keep the jail in very good order for us.

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FUTURE PLANS

We are planning to address the problem of unneutered cats both stray and owned in our area. As fundraising was a problem during this year, we are organising on line giving and wish lists. Kay started this just before Christmas and plans to develop this further.

Plans are being made to network regularly with our branches during 2021 and chat about fund raising. At the start of the 2021 Ann will set up a team of home visitors to contact all adopters from 2020 to do on-line follow up visits.

As we were unable to hold a Dog Welfare Day in 2020, we plan to hold one in the autumn of 2021 as well as a Cat Welfare day, once again this will be with Rase Veterinary Clinic. We don't intend to plan a Dog Show in 2021.

We plan to put thermostats in the first of our cat units to make it more economically efficient we are fortunate that Carl as a qualified electrician will do this and the branch has only to meet the cost of materials. Carl's pen runs the most economically and we will try to save running costs on the older two pens.

As well as Carl's professional help, we are very grateful to our independent examiner who has kindly waived his fee again. This is a great financial saving.

RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The charity is an affiliated branch of RSPCA Charity Registration number 219099 and is governed by RSPCA Branch Model Rules. J Petty's husband, who is also G Petty's father, lets the Jail house storage unit for the exclusive use of the Goole & District RSPCA at a rate of £50 per week in order to meet the cost of the refurbishment. A waiver for this has been granted by the Yorkshire and North East Regional Board and a statutory agreement has been signed on the behalf of both parties.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Despite the challenging year, total income received was £58,540, up £6,416 from the previous year. Total expenditure has risen in the year by £7,690 from £60,803 in 2019. This was mostly due to large increase in veterinary costs. The deficit of (£9,953) for the year is slightly higher than the previous year and, added to brought forward reserves, means that accumulated reserves carried forward were £116,911.

RESERVES POLICY

The branch aims to hold almost one and a half year's running costs so that the level provided for animal welfare is maintained should there be a reduction in incoming resources. Reserves are those funds which are freely available for general use.

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Trustees' Report (continued)

RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES

The trustees are required under the Charities Act 2011 to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the charity's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing those statements the trustees should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- follow applicable accounting standards, subject to any material departures explained in the accounts
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with applicable law and regulations. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above

By Order of the Board



J. Petty
Trustee

16 April 2021

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Statement of Financial Activities

for the year ended 31 December 2020

	<i>Note</i>	2020 Unrestricted Funds £	2019 Total Funds £
INCOMING RESOURCES			
Incoming resources from generated funds			
Voluntary income	2	37,334	32,289
Activities for generating funds	3	781	2,670
Investment income	4	756	752
Incoming resources from charitable activities			
Charitable activity income	5	<u>19,669</u>	<u>16,413</u>
Total incoming resources		<u>58,540</u>	<u>52,124</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED			
Costs of generating funds			
Costs of generating voluntary income	6	6,719	9,611
Charitable activities			
Charitable activity expenses	7	61,774	51,192
Governance costs		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total resources expended		<u>68,493</u>	<u>60,803</u>
Net (outgoing)/incoming resources for the year		(9,953)	(8,679)
Total funds brought forward		<u>126,864</u>	<u>135,543</u>
Total funds carried forward		<u>116,911</u>	<u>126,864</u>

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Balance Sheet

at 31 December 2020

	<i>Note</i>	2020 Unrestricted Funds £	2019 Total Funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	10	<u>34,083</u>	<u>21,502</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors and prepayments	11	9,582	9,750
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>76,784</u>	<u>95,612</u>
		86,366	105,362
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(3,538)</u>	<u>-</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>82,828</u>	<u>105,362</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>116,911</u>	<u>126,864</u>
FUNDS			
Unrestricted funds	13	<u>116,911</u>	<u>126,864</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>116,911</u>	<u>126,864</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 16 April 2021 and were signed on its behalf by:

A. I. Mellor

A. Mellor
Chair

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Notes

(forming part of the financial statements)

1 Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102)(effective 1 January 2015) and the Charities Act 2011.

RSPCA (Goole and District Branch) meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

Depreciation of tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its useful life.

Fixtures and equipment	10% straight line
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Incoming resources

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

Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

2 Voluntary income

	2020 £	2019 £
Donations – door to door	25,173	26,739
Donations – faithful friends	1,018	993
Donations – legacies and other	<u>11,143</u>	<u>4,557</u>
	<u>37,334</u>	<u>32,289</u>

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Notes (forming part of the financial statements) (continued)

3	Activities for generating funds	2020	2019
		£	£
	Fairs and dog shows	162	2,114
	Collections	<u>619</u>	<u>556</u>
		<u>781</u>	<u>2,670</u>
4	Investment income	2020	2019
		£	£
	Interest receivable	<u>756</u>	<u>752</u>
5	Charitable activity income	2020	2019
		£	£
	Pet insurance scheme	85	30
	Microchipping	15	85
	Neutering refund / grants	2,640	2,915
	Adoptions and fostering	9,111	8,120
	VAT refunds	<u>7,818</u>	<u>5,263</u>
		<u>19,669</u>	<u>16,413</u>
6	Costs of generating voluntary income	2020	2019
		£	£
	Advertising and website	15	1,602
	Room hire and other costs	6,704	7,695
	Fundraising costs	<u>-</u>	<u>314</u>
		<u>6,719</u>	<u>9,611</u>

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Notes (forming part of the financial statements) (continued)

7 Charitable activity expenses

	2020	2019
	£	£
RSPCA goods and services	3,766	4,703
Veterinary fees	40,824	34,709
Fostering expenses	9,249	6,215
Fostering travel expenses	2,217	1,550
Depreciation of fixtures and equipment	4,684	2,958
Miscellaneous	<u>1,034</u>	<u>1,057</u>
	<u>61,774</u>	<u>51,192</u>

8 Staff costs

There were no paid staff during the year (2019: nil).

9 Trustees' remuneration, benefits and expenses

There were no payments made to trustees for remuneration or other benefits during the year (2019: £nil). Expenses re-imbursed to trustees during the year amounted to £1,930 (2019: £6,836).

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Notes

(forming part of the financial statements)

(continued)

10	Tangible fixed Assets	Fixtures & Equipment £	
	<i>Cost</i>		
	As at 1 January 2020	29,577	
	Additions	<u>17,265</u>	
	As at 31 December 2020	<u>46,842</u>	
	<i>Depreciation</i>		
	As at 1 January 2020	8,075	
	Charge for the year	<u>4,684</u>	
	As at 31 December 2020	<u>12,759</u>	
	<i>Net Book Value</i>		
	As at 31 December 2020	<u>34,083</u>	
	As at 31 December 2019	<u>21,502</u>	
11	Debtors	2020 £	2019 £
	Prepayments	<u>9,582</u>	<u>9,750</u>
12	Creditors: amounts falling due with one year	2020 £	2019 £
	Accruals	<u>3,538</u>	<u>-</u>
13	Movement in funds		
	Unrestricted funds: general fund	2020 £	2019 £
	Incoming resources	58,540	52,124
	Resources expended	<u>(68,493)</u>	<u>(60,803)</u>
	Net movement in funds	<u>(9,953)</u>	<u>(8,679)</u>
	Balance brought forward	<u>126,864</u>	<u>135,543</u>
	Balance carried forward	<u>116,911</u>	<u>126,864</u>

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF RSPCA (GOOLE & DISTRICT BRANCH)

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2020 set out on pages 6 to 11.

Respective responsibilities and basis of report

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act'). The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 (2) of the Act and that an independent examination is required.

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

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and I can confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- (2) the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- (3) the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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



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16 April 2021