



RSPCA MIDDLESBROUGH, SOUTH TEES AND DISTRICT BRANCH

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022



R.S.P.C.A. MIDDLESBROUGH SOUTH TEES & DISTRICT BRANCH

ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

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**RSPCA Middlesbrough,
South Tees & District Branch**
Registered Charity No. 232226

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st
DECEMBER 2022.**

NOTE: This Branch went into RSPCA National Administration on the 6th April 2022.

Temporary Trustees were appointed by the National Society to stabilise, and administer the Branch on their behalf.

The Temporary appointed Trustees produced this Annual Report with the information available from the 6th April 2022.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees Annual Report and 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 of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements the Trustees are required to:

- * Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
- * Observe the methods and principles of 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.
- * 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 proper accounting records, and disclose with reasonable accuracy and time the financial position of the charity, and enable them to ensure that financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

RESULTS

The Branch expenditure of £22,597.00p was less than the Branch income of £29,337.00p by £6,740.00p. The expenditure included a £10,000.00p annual donation to the RSPCA Cat Hub establishment, and a £7,718.00p annual Branch contribution to RSPCA HQ.

OBJECTIVES and AIM of the BRANCH

The primary role of the Branch is to support the National Society's Inspectorate within the Branch area. Giving priority to the acceptance of case animals, and those animals signed over for welfare offences / concerns, or un-owned sick and injured animals presented with an incident number.

The objectives of the Middlesbrough, South Tees & District Branch of the RSPCA are to promote kindness and prevent suffering of animals, and to do all such lawful acts as the Society may consider conducive to these objectives.

The Branch is a trust governed by the guidelines of the RSPCA, and is managed by a committee dedicated to the Branch's principle objective, animal welfare.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

The Middlesbrough, South Tees & District Branch was put into National RSPCA administration on the 6th April 2022.

No financial or administrative records were made available to the Temporary Trustees for the period 1st Jan - 6th April 2022.

Since the 6th April the Board of Temporary Trustees have produced, and introduced an Inspectorate animal welfare voucher policy, and scheme. This scheme is sponsored by this Branch, in co-operation with the RSPCA Inspectorate officers that work within the Branch area.

The scheme has a strict eligibility criteria, which enables an Inspector to offer help to a person that is unable to pay for veterinary treatment for their pet. The scheme can also be used if an Inspector finds an un-owned animal that needs medical treatment urgently to alleviate suffering.

This Branch also supports the RSPCA Cat Hub project and has a representative on the RSPCA Cat Hub Steering Group.

The Cat Hub is an animal welfare project that is financially supported by four RSPCA Branch's in the neighbouring area. The Middlesbrough, South Tees & District Branch donates £10,000 annually to the project. This project was set up to accept cats from the RSPCA Inspectorate, and to rehabilitate the cats and re-home them.

REVIEW OF DEVELOPMENTS, ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS DURING THE YEAR, AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS.

Since the 6th April 2022 the Temporary Trustees have worked hard to re-establish the administration, and financial control of the Branch, and its day to day running. They have also been involved with a number of Animal welfare projects on behalf of the Branch, and have represented the Branch at Regional level. The Temporary Trustees have now stabilised the Branch, and are now working hard to getting the Branch into a good position to return it back to the local Trusteeship in 2023.

The RSPCA Middlesbrough, South Tees & District Branch is a charity formed to help the wellbeing of animals within the Branch area.

In 2023 the Branch will use its funds in the wellbeing of animals, support the RSPCA Inspectorate in their work, and assist people on low income with payments of veterinary bills. The Branch will also support the RSPCA Cat Hub, where it can. The Branch funds and resources are held wholly for the principle objectives of the branch. The branch has no designated funds.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Since 6th April 2022 the Branch has been in National RSPCA Administration. No Branch records, administration, financial, documents or otherwise, were handed over from the previous board of Trustees to the new administration. The appointed Temporary Trustees this year have produced, and introduced new financial, administrative controls / procedures, and policies. They have also introduced a new welfare support scheme to help animals and the public within the Branch area.

The Branch also supports the regions RSPCA Cat hub, and has a representative on the Cat Hub Steering Group.

Trustees also actively represent the Branch at RSPCA National & Regional level.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Branch legacy payments received into the bank current account 2022- £5,805.15p. The National RSPCA Door to door (national fundraising scheme), Branch received - £23218.00p in 2022.

RESERVES

The total funds of the Branch as at the 31st Dec 2022 were £43,312.11p in the Virgin Bank current account, and £80,421.72p in the Trustlaw Wealth (Quilter) investment account.. Total funds £122,732.00p. Due to the financial and political turmoil during 2022, the Trustlaw Wealth investment account has suffered a loss of £26,388.00p compared to the same time last year. The advice from the account operators, Trustlaw Wealth is to hold tight, saying that the investment will recover.

RISKS

The Branch in April 2022 went into RSPCA National Administration, and is at present being administered and governed by nationally appointed temporary Trustees.

The Trustees have examined the major risks that are facing the Branch, and have produced plans for the utilisation of the Branch. They have also put into place a number of systems to mitigate the impact of any risks that it may have on future activities of the Branch.

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

The RSPCA Middlesbrough, South Tees & District Branch is a registered charity number 232226.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE & MANAGEMENT

The organisation is an unincorporated charity, registered as a charity on the 13th Dec 1963. The constitution for the Branch is in the RSPCA Branch Rules (published by the Society). This governing document came into effect on 1st Jan 2003.

The new Branch rules provide for a minimum of five, and maximum of fourteen Trustees. There will be a requirement to recruit new Trustees in 2023, to enable the Branch to return back to local Trusteeship. These new Trustees will be identified, and appointed by the existing Temporary board of Trustees.

Trustees that held office in 2022.

Cherry Farrow - Chair - replaced on the 6th April

David A Hinchcliffe - Temp. Chair & Treasurer - from the 6th April

Lindsay Sessions - Temp Secretary - from the 6th April.

Zarreen Ahmed - Temp Treasurer - from 6th April to 8th Jun - resigned

Charlotte Turner - Temp Treasurer - from 8th Nov to 7th Dec - resigned.

Branch Temporary Postal Address:

RSPCA Middlesbrough, South Tees & District Branch,
c/o RSPCA Animal Centre, Moor Knoll Lane, East Ardsley, Wakefield WF3 2DX.

RSPCA Headquarters Address:

Wilberforce Way, Southwater, Horsham, West Sussex, RH13 9RS.

Accountants.

The Branch's accountants are Azets, Wynyard Park House, Wynyard Avenue,
Wynyard, TS22 5TB.

Bankers.

The Branch bankers are Virgin Money Bank (Yorkshire Bank), 182 High Street,
Eston, Middlesbrough TS6 9JE.

RSPCA Branch adviser.

The Branch Project Manager is Sarah Mason.

On behalf of the Trustees.

D. A. Hinchcliffe - 20th June 2023

David A Hinchcliffe - Temporary Branch Chair.

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
RSPCA MIDDLESBROUGH, SOUTH TEES & DISTRICT BRANCH
IN RESPECT OF THE YEAR TO 31st DECEMBER 2022**

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF RSPCA
MIDDLESBROUGH, SOUTH AND DISTRICT BRANCH**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2022 which are set out on pages 6-9.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

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

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

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

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Dated: 6/6/23.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	2022	2021
	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES		
Subscriptions	48	-
General donations	23,448	21,487
Legacy	5,805	1,002
Sundries	36	
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	<u>29,337</u>	<u>22,489</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Insurance	1,219	35
Veterinary fees	3,088	7,240
Telephone	190	448
Accountancy fees	382	834
Cat hub donation	10,000	10,000
RSPCA HQ Cont.	7,718	
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	<u>22,597</u>	<u>18,558</u>
NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES BEFORE OTHER RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES	<u>6,740</u>	<u>3,931</u>
OTHER RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES		
Gains/(losses) on investment assets	(26,388)	7,846
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	<u>(19,648)</u>	<u>11,777</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS		
Total funds brought forward	142,380	130,603
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u><u>122,732</u></u>	<u><u>142,380</u></u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses in the year and therefore a statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared.

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BALANCE SHEET

31 DECEMBER 2022

	Note	£	2022 £	£	2021 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Investments	2	80,422		106,810	
			80,422		106,810
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank		43,312		37,102	
		43,312		37,102	
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	3	1,002		1,532	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			42,310		35,570
NET ASSETS			122,732		142,380
FUNDS					
Balance as at 1 January 2021			142,380		130,603
Net incoming resources for the year			(19,648)		11,777
TOTAL FUNDS			122,732		142,380

Approved by the trustees on (date) and signed on their behalf by:

20th June 2023

D.A. Hinchcliffe
Temporary Branch Chair.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the charity's constitution, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (FRS102)".

Donations, legacies and other voluntary income and grants

Voluntary income and donations are recognised when they are received by the charity, however, legacies if notified, are included on the accruals basis. The income from fundraising activities is shown gross, with the associated costs included in direct charitable expenditure. Gift aid reclaimable on donations to the charity is included within the amount received.

Investment income, rental income and interest

Income from investments, rental income and interest received is included in the SOFA in the year in which it is receivable.

Expenditure

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category.

Investments

Investments are stated at market value at the balance sheet date. The SOFA includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluations and disposals throughout the year.

Taxation

The branch is a registered charity and is exempt from taxation.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

2 INVESTMENTS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Balance as at 31 December 2021	106,810	98,974
Additions	-	-
Drawdown	-	-
Increase/(decrease) in value	(26,388)	7,836
Balance as at 31 December 2022	<u>80,422</u>	<u>106,810</u>

3 CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Accruals	<u>1,002</u>	<u>1,532</u>

4 TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION

The trustees neither received nor waived any emoluments during the year (2021: £Nil).

No out of pocket expenses were reimbursed to trustees (2021: £Nil).

5 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There were no related party transactions during the year.

6 CONTROL

No individual or group controls the branch.