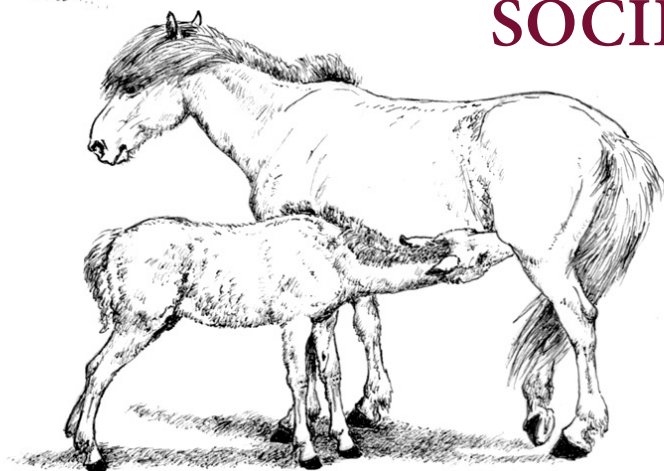


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DARTMOOR

The moorland livestock wintered well during the worst months of 2022/23, but with spring came excessive rain and cold temperatures at the same time as lambing began. As a result many lambs failed to survive the first few days of life. Where possible doubles born on the moor were taken in by farmers and the ewes received supplementary feed.

The unseasonably cold spring weather also knocked condition off the ponies. With their fat reserves depleted, a number of thin mares needed to be removed and taken to better grazing. It was regrettable that some thin mares were well hidden from view until, over a period of just two weeks, nine were found to have died.



There was a higher than usual number of stillborns among the foaling mares and we suggest this too could have been as a result of the demanding unseasonal conditions.

When a mare is found with a stillborn foal it is important for them to be left alone so the mare can walk away when she is ready. Too early an intervention and removal of the dead foal can cause distress and lead to a mare galloping around frantically searching.

Foaling season is always a lovely time on the moor but this year we encountered very young foals being driven away from their mothers by aggressive mares not in foal themselves. This disastrous situation meant the foals would have died if not quickly reunited with their mothers. We spent many hours locating and reuniting mares and foals.

DOG ATTACKS ON SHEEP



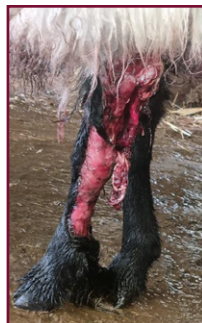
Sheep run frantically in order to escape the terror of a pursuing dog and can end up in precarious 'life-or-death' situations from which they then need rescuing. They will run into a river in order to escape a dog, but then with a sodden fleece, are unable to get back out when the dog has gone away. A ewe was chased into the River Walkham with a terrier dog still attached to its face (see photo below); another into the overflow of Meldon Reservoir; another

We have recorded 85 dog attacks on sheep on Dartmoor from January to mid-September. This is shockingly high and amounts to a great deal of animal suffering and financial loss. Dealing with the attacks and criming them with the police is very time-consuming for the Livestock Protection Officer and we have added the details for your interest towards the end of this Report.



onto a ledge on the sheer face of a quarry. And so it goes on. The above were seen and saved but others have not been so lucky.

Many dog owners fail to realise that if their dogs chase, worry or so called 'play' with sheep, it is enough to cause serious stress which can lead to abortion in ewes and even death.



TICKS AND TICKBORN DISEASES

Ticks and the diseases they transmit are a serious problem on Dartmoor, with a big economic impact for farmers.

DLPS is called over and again to lambs and adult sheep in acute difficulties because of ticks. The amount of suffering is considerable and death is frequently inevitable. Sheep are reported to us as being paralysed behind or off leg or walking in circles or lying down with head thrown back, and all from the bite of an infected tick.

Tick pyaemia, tickborn fever and louping-ill are now commonplace. Red water in cattle is being seen more frequently.

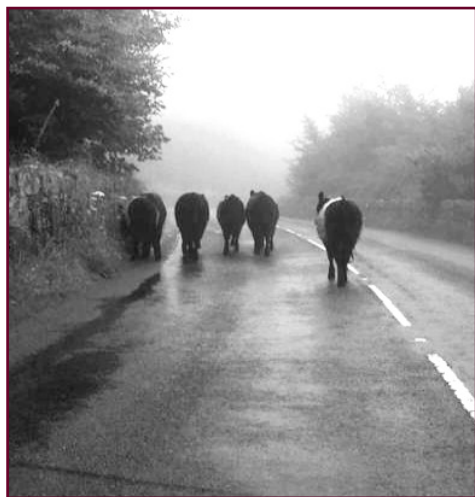
The two main factors driving the increase in ticks and tickborn diseases are:

- **climate change**, allowing ticks to be active for a greater number of months in the year, and
- **habitat change**, now giving ticks vast areas of ideal living conditions in bracken cover, over-hanging hedges and dense vegetation, all providing excellent warmth and dampness for survival.

Livestock are not the only victims of tickborn diseases. Lyme disease in humans is on the increase. Between 2,000 and 3,000 cases a year are recorded in England and Wales. Louping-ill is now being recognised in humans.

Louping-ill immunity in sheep may be achieved to some degree by careful flock management. This immunity is lost within six months if sheep are taken away from infected areas, and they are vulnerable again when reintroduced. Sheep need to be born, reared and continue to live in the same area (heft or lea) without a time break in order to maintain some immunity.

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS



129 traffic collisions with animals occurred on the unfenced roads from January to mid-September. This sad total tells us that, year on year, there is no let-up in the needless waste of life. The RTA individual details are included later in the Report.

We find ponies at the roadside needing to be euthanised because of badly broken legs, sheep completely flattened and cows with deep flesh wounds.

In one particularly gruesome ten-day period, nine ponies were hit and either killed outright or needed euthanising. This rightly received much publicity.

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

At times a dead pony is left at the roadside for many hours, highly visible and ready for collection but also acting as a stark reminder to motorists of the possible consequences of driving Dartmoor's unfenced roads without due care and attention. Also, the sight of an abandoned, written-off car will pass on a strong message.



DLPS purchased five aluminium warning signs in an attempt to slow speeding motorists where there is a high animal fatality rate in the Wotter, Lee Moor and Cadover areas.

When an accident involving an animal occurs, it is so important that the driver reports it immediately to the Livestock Protection Officer 07873 567561 or to the Police 999 so that prompt help can be organised.



COWS

The moors are visited by an ever-increasing number of people and this brings with it a rise in the risk of conflict between livestock and walkers.

Cattle have grazed the commons for hundreds if not thousands of years with evidence going back to the Bronze Age. Livestock grazing is essential for biodiversity, maintaining the condition of the common land and keeping the herbage under control to provide good grazing areas and a moor that is accessible to walkers.



However, where the gorse and scrub have become excessive the cattle and walkers (possibly with dogs) find themselves forced into confined spaces, creating stress for the livestock that consider the area to be their home where they can rest undisturbed. When sensing a possible invasion of their space, cattle will stand their ground with determination to protect their young calves.

It is unusual for cattle to attack people but, if sufficiently alarmed, when they are pushed into confined spaces, have calves at foot and see people and dogs approaching, they may be unpredictable and very protective of their calves.

If people see cattle it is wise to give them a very wide berth.

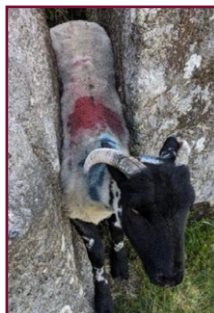
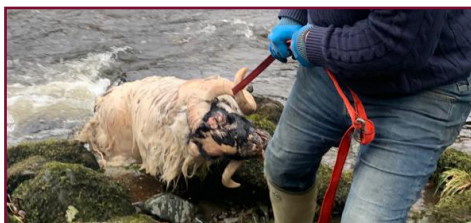
Similarly, the sheep on the moor should not be disturbed but, unlike the cattle, the reason is because of their timid nature. They will run in blind panic with stress levels so high that abortion or death can result.



MISCELLANEOUS

Often we are called to animals in life-or-death situations requiring urgent human intervention to ensure survival.

ALL THE FOLLOWING ANIMALS
SURVIVED BECAUSE HELP
CAME SWIFTLY TO THESE
AND MANY OTHERS AFTER
KARLA WAS CONTACTED



GARDEN WASTE



People living in rural areas with properties backing onto moorland may feel inclined to give cut grass and garden prunings to the animals, in the mistaken belief they are helping them at times when moorland grazing is sparse. Livestock will show interest in anything that looks remotely edible, but many garden plants are highly poisonous and can prove fatal if consumed. Yew, laurel, rhododendron, privet, delphinium and countless other plants are dangerously poisonous. Grass cuttings, when left in



piles, will heat and ferment and become indigestible, causing fatal colic in ponies.

As well as the people who think they are helping the animals, others are simply using the moor as an on-hand dumping ground; quicker than going to the Council tip. An easy but potentially deadly option.

We have no alternative but to spend valuable time clearing up the garden rubbish that others have dumped.

RURAL POLICING

DLPS has a close working relationship with the rural policing team.

We met up earlier in the year at Cadover and then Roborough Down to erect signage and speak with dog owners, educating them on the importance of close control of dogs around livestock.

The police team is very aware of the uphill struggle farmers face with the massive amount of visitors bringing dogs to the moor. A new on-line police form has been generated, specifically for the Livestock Protection Officer to crime dog attacks and ensure central police are made fully aware of the increase in the problem.

Not only are we dealing with dog attacks but livestock theft is becoming a greater problem too with whole flocks disappearing. Some farmers are now trialling the use of electronic boluses that are inserted orally into a sheep's stomach to enable traceability. This is an expensive experiment in the early stages of development on Dartmoor.



PUBLICITY

Throughout the year the Livestock Protection Officer's work attracts a lot of attention from the media. This leads to requests for her to appear on the television, to speak on the radio and to comment on stories carried in local and national papers.

WILDLIFE

The Livestock Protection Officer's contact details are widely circulated because DLPS is well known for helping injured animals on the moor. This means that Karla is frequently called by people at a loss to know where to turn for help for wildlife in trouble.

A good example of this was an early-morning call about an otter cub found sheltering in a shop doorway in the middle of Tavistock. Karla managed to catch the cub into a cage and it was then delivered into the safe hands of the Otter Trust.



Karla is regularly contacted about deer in trouble, sometimes with a broken leg or caught in fencing. Whenever possible she attends, or otherwise refers the problem to a local deer-management group.

A call from the Tavistock Town Council Maintenance Team alerted Karla to an owllet that had fallen out of a tree in Tavistock



Cemetery. Following advice from the Owl Sanctuary, the owllet was lifted back into the tree, provided with shelter and bedding and closely monitored. We were relieved that the parent bird continued to feed it.

Karla is happy to help whenever possible. Examples are a call about a magpie in a kitchen, bats flying around a house, underweight hedgehogs, injured foxes, a buzzard unable to fly, frogs getting squashed on a road, and so it goes on.



GRETA BAILEY – DIED 5TH MAY 2023

Greta Bailey cared deeply about the welfare of the animals on the moor and in particular about the livestock she encountered every day as she stepped out of her front door at Woodside, Crapstone, straight onto Roborough Down.

Whether riding her bike or walking her springer spaniel, Greta knew Roborough like the back of her hand. With an ever watchful eye, she recognised trouble from afar. Without delay she was on the phone to DLPS seeking help.

Greta was particularly admiring of the tireless work of Dee Ivey, one of the Society's founder members. She was always ready and willing to help Dee on the moor or, together with her son, on Dee's own farm.

Greta gave much time and energy to the Society. We noticed her phone calls becoming less frequent when she no longer walked so far or as regularly on Roborough Down. Her past contribution to the Society and concern for the wellbeing of the livestock was greatly valued.

FUNDRAISING

With thoughts of “lock downs” thankfully receding, the DLPS fundraising team has stepped up its efforts by participating in Country Markets, Table Top Sales and holding Quiz Nights.

We have been very fortunate to receive varied and interesting items from our supporters to fill our stalls and we would like to say how grateful we are for their continuing generosity.

Sadly, in recent months, we have lost several very good friends and members of the Society who have contributed greatly both financially and in giving their time to us, over many years.

Mrs Marie Aubin regularly filled our sales tables with books, puzzles and a cornucopia of home-made preserves.

Mrs Jane Bramley rarely missed an AGM. She understood the way of life of those who live on Dartmoor, both animal and humankind.

Mrs Anne Clark was a member for well over 30 years. Her generous donations and hands-on support were immeasurable and we are grateful to Anne for her kindness in remembering the Society in her Will.

They will all be greatly missed.

The Society has been fortunate to receive a £3,000 grant from the Animal Defence Trust. We appreciate this financial help towards funding the Livestock Protection Officer, Karla McKechnie (below).



DOG ATTACKS ON SHEEP 1ST JAN-18TH SEP 2023

DATE	TIME LOG	LOCATION	ATTACK
02/01/23	14.28 pm	Jordan Lane Plaisterdown	1 sheep attacked and treated
07/01/23	09.40 am	Little Yennadon	4 sheep chased over cattle grid by black Spaniel
10/01/23	15.30 pm crimed	Ash Farm, South Tawton	40 sheep worried, 10 bitten, 3 killed by Labrador x Pointer
11/01/23	13.57 pm crimed	Magpie Bridge	5 sheep chased by brown small dog
14/01/23	13.52 pm crimed	Aerodrome at Pound, Yelverton	1 sheep killed by grey/brown Staffie
16/01/23	14.28 pm	Haytor Rocks and across road	2 sheep chased by brown Terrier/Spaniel Leo
19/01/23	14.30 pm crimed	Pew Tor Sampford Spiney	1 sheep attacked and treated by Spaniel x
21/01/23	12 noon	Green Lane Haytor	1 sheep badly bitten and treated
27/01/23	09.15 am crimed	Little Yennadon	Flock chased for some time Re-offending black Collie
28/01/23	11.00 am crimed	Pill Tor Hemsworthy Gate	1 sheep killed by German Shepherd
28/01/23	16.00 pm	Buck Tor Roborough Down	1 ram badly attacked and bitten
06/02/23	14.00 pm crimed	Emsworthy Haytor	Flock chased 1 attacked by young Alsation
08/02/23	Crimed	Sticklepath	1 sheep attacked and died
11/02/23	10.30 am crimed	Cadover Bridge	2 sheep killed by Staffie (later euthanised)
11/02/23	11.51 am crimed	South Hessary fields	1 sheep attacked injuries required euthanasia
12/02/23	11.00 am	Horrabridge Hill	Sheep chased by Yorkshire Terrier
12/02/23	14.40 pm	Cadover Bridge	Sheep chased by Collie type
14/02/23	09.45 am	Aerodrome Yelverton	Sheep chased by tri-coloured Labradoodle/Pointer called Mabel
17/02/23	12.56 pm crimed	Grenofen	On riverbank sheep badly bitten - Treated
18/02/23	10.30 am	Long Ash Roborough	Sheep chased by two Border Terriers
18/02/23	12.30 pm crimed	Wheal Betsy Blackdown	1 sheep attacked Injuries required euthanasia

18/02/23	15.00 pm	Norsworthy Bridge Burrator	1 sheep badly bitten neck, treated
22/02/23	12.02 pm crimed	Cadover	1 sheep chased by golden Chow, attacked, died
26/02/23	13.45 pm crimed	Bone Hill Rocks Widecombe	1 sheep badly savaged, euthanised
01/03/23	16.31 pm crimed	Four Winds B3357	1 sheep chased into water-filled ditch and attacked by Collie
02/03/23	12.19 pm	West Down Tavistock in river	1 sheep chased, attacked and semi-drowned by Terrier hanging onto sheep's face
04/03/23	15.25 pm	Blackator Copse Okehampton	1 sheep attacked, throat bitten
11/03/23	09.00 am	Long Ash, Roborough Down	1 sheep attacked, throat bitten and died
18/03/23	16.10 pm	Sheepstor	Flock chased by dogs
19/05/23	11.15 am	Okehampton Camp	1 sheep chased by dog called Sam
30/05/23	15.00 pm crimed	Grenofen	1 sheep attacked and died with badly bitten throat by lurcher type dog
30/03/23	16.30 pm	Burrator	1 sheep chased into water with badly bitten neck. Survived.
02/04/23`	15.39 pm crimed	Bone Hill Rocks	1 sheep with badly bitten back leg. Dog owners' details recorded.
05/04/23	15.51 pm crimed	Tunghill Rock	Sheep chased by two dogs and 1 sheep picked up with badly torn face
08/04/23	17.38 pm	Wistmans Wood	Dogs chasing sheep and 1 sheep found in river
10/04/23	14.00 pm crimed	Saddle Tor	1 lamb badly bitten and killed
18/04/23	14.45 pm	Shipley Bridge Avon Dam	Five dogs loose chasing sheep
20/04/23		Walkhampton – Horrabridge footpath	1 lamb badly bitten & destroyed
22/04/23	09.30 am crimed	Yardworthy Farm Mariners Way	Sheep chased, 4 sheep killed, 4 sheep badly mauled, Dog owners' details taken
24/04/23	16.20 pm	Pew Tor	Sheep badly bitten and died
25/04/23		Yardworthy Farm Mariners Way	2 x sheep ripped up and killed, Dog owners' details taken for a second time
26/04/23	14.30 pm	S. Brent moor near Bellabrook Retreat	Sheep chased by five beagles, All heavy in lamb
28/04/23`	10.00 am	Blackdown Mary Tavy	Sheep chased by black labrador called Merlin. Lamb run into cattle grid
29/04/23	15.37 am	Mary Tavy – Brentor cattle grid	Lambs chased by two black labradors, one of them young.

02/05/23	12 noon crimed	Long Ash Yelverton	Lamb badly bitten after being chased by four dogs, three of them spaniels one of which attacked the lamb. Owners' details taken.
02/05/23	14.10 pm	Postbridge cattle grid	Two black & white collies attacked lamb
03/05/23	10.45 pm	Near Postbridge cattle grid	Two black & white collies attacked lamb
08/05/23	09.30 am	Little Mistor	Whippet attacked lamb
10/05/23	15.30 pm	Borrington Hall Plympton	Ewes & lambs chased for 1 hr by spaniel X. Eventually dog caught and taken to Woodside Rescue.
14/05/23	11.19 am crimed	Bickham Roborough Down	Sheep badly mauled by German Shepherd
19/05/23	11.22 am crimed	Clearbrook	Sheep killed by whippet
22/05/23	13.30 pm	Grimstone Horrabridge	Lamb bitten
22/05/23	19.45 pm crimed	Tavistock	3 lambs killed by 2 Rottweilers
27/05/23	10.00am	Buckland Common	Lamb killed by lurcher x
10/06/23	10.00 am	Merrivale	Lamb bitten Ewe killed
21/06/23	16.30 pm	Batworthy Corner	Sheep killed
26/06/23	13.30 pm crimed	A386 near Cholwell Blackdown	Sheep killed
27/06/23	14.48 pm	Haytor	Sheep bitten down back leg survived
28/06/23	Crimed	Fernworthy	5 sheep killed, 3 sheep savaged, attacked by same 3 dogs as on 22/04/23 & 25/04/23
01/07/23	08.25 am	Roborough	Ponies chased by a dog
02/07/23	18.30 pm	Wrangaton Golf Couse	5 labradors chasing sheep
03/07/23	16.10 pm	Pork Hill Tavistock	Sheep chased by black dog
12/07/23	11.30 am	Oakley Cottage Whitchurch	Sheep bitten & bleeding neck
24/07/23	10.00 am	Believer Forest	Ponies chased by 9 dogs walked by Home for Hounds. Spoken to.
26/07/23	13/15 pm	Haytor	Sheep chased by 2 spaniels

28/07/23	17.40 pm	Buckland Beacon	Lamb bitten on quarters
28/07/23	11.45 am	Meldon Reservoir	Sheep chased into reservoir by Jack Russell. Sheep rescued.
29/07/23	20.15 pm	Chinkwell Tor	Sheep savaged
31/07/23	12 noon	Elfordleigh	8 lambs attacked and killed
05/08/23	15.45 pm crimed	Widecombe Hill	Sheep chased by lurcher
09/08/23	12.20 pm	Rippon Tor	Sheep chased by 2 black collies
23/08/23	13.32 pm	Grenofen Roborough	Sheep bitten by German Shepherd
23/08/23	15.00 pm	Roborough Down	Sheep chased by 2 dogs
23/08/23	16.10 pm	Roos Tor	Sheep chased by Collie
24/08/23	08.40 am	Clearbrook	Lamb chased and badly bitten required euthanasia
25/08/23	08.00 am crimed	Ashburton	6 lambs killed
31/08/23	16.00 pm crimed	S. Tawton	4 sheep killed
02/09/23	15.10 pm	Devil's Elbow Princetown	Sheep chased by large brown dog wearing muzzle
02/09/23	17.54 pm	Roborough Down Bickleigh	Sheep killed bitten round neck
06/09/23	09.30 am	East Okement	Sheep chased into river by Spaniel
07/09/23	10.25 am	East Okement	Sheep chased into river by Labrador/ Spaniel X
07/09/23	08.30 am	Lee Moor	Sheep killed Dog seen in white van with children
08/09/23	10.30 am	Leg o' Mutton Roborough	Sheep bitten neck and throat
18/09/23	13.45 pm	Sampford Spiney	Sheep chased by two Collies
18/09/23	17.05 pm	Pil Tor	Sheep chased by Westie and brown Jack Russell

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85 REPORTED DOG ATTACKS ON SHEEP

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS 1ST JAN–18TH SEP 2023

DATE	TIME LOG	LOCATION	ANIMAL	INJURIES
05/01/23	08.30 am	Axtown Roborough	Sheep	Treated survived
26/01/23	17.55 pm	B3357 Foggintor entrance	Pony	Injured survived
04/02/23	07.00 am log 172	B3212 Peek Hill	Pony	Dead
08/02/23	21.30 pm log 253	B3357 Four Winds	Pony	Car written-off. Pony likely to be badly injured but not found despite extensive search
09/02/23	13.30 pm	B3357 Merrivale	Pony	Dead
10/02/23	23.00 pm	B3212 Statts Bridge Postbridge	Pony	Dispatched broken leg (Tesco van)
11/02/23	18.31 pm log 915	B3212 Peek Hill	Pony yearling	Dead
13/02/23	09.47 am	B3212 Bennett's Cross	Pony	Dead
14/02/23	18.17 pm	Lee Moor Emery's entrance	Sheep	Dead
03/03/23	09.40 am	Cold East Cross Widecombe	Sheep	Dead
06/03/23	11.00 am	Dartmeet Hill	Sheep	Dead
06/03/23	09.30 am	Okehampton Camp	Sheep	Dispatched broken legs
07/03/23	17.30 pm	B3212 Devil's Elbow	Pony	Dispatched broken leg
25/03/23	17.11 pm	Clearbrook	Pony	Dead
27/03/23	17.30 pm	B3212 Warren House Inn	Cow	Dead
08/04/23	11.45 am	Shaugh Prior	Sheep	Dead
14/04/23	11.45 am	Widecombe Hill	Sheep	Dead
14/04/23	19.30 pm	Pew Tor	Pony	Dead
22/04/23	21.15 pm	Crapstone Roborough	Lamb x 2	Survived
24/04/23	07.45 am	Zoar Common Horndon	Lamb	Dead
24/04/23	08.20 am	Wotter	Lamb	Dead
24/04/23	11.15 am	Plaisterdown	Foal	Dead
29/04/23	15.15 pm	Middlemoor Whitchurch	Lamb	Survived
01/05/23	11.45 am	Long Ash Roborough	Lamb	Dead

03/05/23	10.45 am	Crapstone Roborough	Lamb	Dead
03/05/23	16.20 pm	Brisworthy Bends	Sheep	Dead
06/05/23	12.52 pm	B3212 near Postbridge	Lamb	Dead
07/05/23	09.00 am	Whitchurch Down	Foal	Dispatched
08/05/23	12.06 pm	Leg o' Mutton Roborough	Lamb	Dead
10/05/23	17.20 pm	Knightstone Roborough	Lamb	Dead
10/05/23	19.30 pm	Lee Moor	Sheep	Dead
11/05/23		Cadover	Sheep	Dead
11/05/23	11.40 am	Lee Moor	Lamb	Dead
12/05/23	16.10 pm	B3357 Merrivale	Lamb	Survived
13/05/23	09.14 am	B3212 Jurston turning	Lamb	Dead
13/05/23	16.11 pm	Wotter Clay Pits	Lamb	Dead
14/05/23	15.00 pm	Cadover lakes	Lamb	Survived
16/05/23	07.55 am	Cadover	Foal	Dispatched
18/05/23	12.10 pm	B3357 Four Winds	Lamb	Dead
20/05/23		Crapstone Roborough	Sheep	Survived
24/05/23	12.55 pm	Fernworthy cattle grid	Lamb	Survived
25/05/23	14.20 pm	B3357 Four Winds	Lamb	Dead
28/05/23	07.28 am	Cadover near Bragg Lane	Lamb	Dead
28/05/23	09.50 am	Cadover	Lamb	Dead
28/05/23	15.40 pm	B3357 Four Winds	Sheep	Dead
30/05/23	20.00 pm	Brisworthy Bends	Lamb	Dead
02/06/23	08.33 am	B3212 Jurston turn	Sheep	Dead
02/06/23	13.54 pm	B3212 near Postbridge	Sheep	Dead (lamb alive)
02/06/23	23.17 pm	B3212 double car parks	Foal	Dead
02/06/23	23.45 pm	Lee Moor	Sheep	Dead
03/06/23	09.10 am	Lee Moor Plympton turn	Sheep	Dead

03/06/23	16.00 pm	B3212 Devil's Elbow	Cow	Destroyed broken leg
04/06/23	16.30 pm	Batworthy Corner	Sheep	Dead
07/06/23	22.35 pm	B3357 Prince Hall	Sheep	Dead
09/06/23	15.15 pm	Roborough Common Lane	Sheep	Dead
11/06/23	09.15 am	B3357 Dunnabridge	Sheep	Dead
14/06/23	12.30 pm	B3212	Pony	Dead
16/06/23	15.14 pm	Cadover	Sheep x 3	Survived
19/06/23	09.15 am	Cadover - Beatland Corner	Foal	Dispatched broken back
20/06/23	15.14 pm	Clearbrook	Pony	Survived
21/06/23	10.00 am	Okehampton Camp	Sheep	Dead
22/06/23	08.30 am	Ridden Ridge	Pony	Survived
22/06/23	22.30 am	B3212 Warren House Inn – Statfs Bridge	Lamb	Survived
26/06/23	07.28 am	Cadover near Bragg Lane	Lamb	Dead
26/06/23	22.46 pm	Cadover	Sheep	Dead
27/06/23	10.25 am	Ollsbrim Straight	Sheep	Dead
27/06/23	16.12 pm log 713	Common Lane Roborough	Foal	Dead
29/06/23	20.24 pm	B3212 Postbridge - Two Bridges	Sheep	Survived
30/06/23	09.30 am	Ollsbrim Straight	Lamb	Dead
01/07/23	16.15 pm	Lee Moor	Lamb	Dead
03/07/23	20.15 pm	B3357 Two Bridges	Sheep	Survived
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11/07/23	13.00 pm	Wotter	Lamb	Dead
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14/07/23	08.20 am	Beatland Corner	Pony	Survived
15/07/23	09.13 am	B3212 Leeden Bends	Pony	Dispatched broken leg

16/07/23	17.10 pm	Beatland Corner	Lamb	Dead
19/07/23		B3357 Four Winds	Sheep	Survived
19/07/23	15.00 pm	Tavistock Golf Club	Pony	Survived
20/07/23	07.15 am	Widecombe Hill top	Sheep	Dead
20/07/23	08.30 am	Brisworthy Bends	Sheep	Dead
21/07/23	07.45 am	Beatland Corner	Sheep	Dead
23/07/23	13.00 pm	Durrants	Sheep	Dead
24/07/23	08.45 am	Brisworthy Bends	Sheep	Survived
25/07/23	15.45 pm	Crapstone Roborough	Sheep	Dead
26/07/23	06.30 am	B3357 Prince Hall	Sheep	Dead
29/07/23	05.15 am	Wotter	Pony	Dispatched broken leg
04/08/23	07.45 am	Wotter	Lamb	Dead
09/08/23	10.30 am	Dunnabridge	Lamb	Dead
09/08/23	18.00 pm	Wotter	Lamb	Dead
10/08/23	07.00 am	B3212 Warren House Inn	Cow	Survived injury to quarters
12/08/23	18.38 pm	Tavistock Golf Course	Sheep	Dead
14/08/23	16.29 pm	B3212 Challacombe Cross	Lamb	Dispatched
15/08/23	19.00 pm	Cadover	Sheep	Dead
18/08/23	07.55 am	Haytor Green Lane	Lamb	Dead
19/08/23	08.40 am	Jurston cattle grid	Sheep	Survived
19/08/23	19.00 pm	Widecombe Hill	Sheep	Dead
21/08/23	07.00 am	Widecombe Village	Sheep	Dead
21/08/23	23.45 pm log 1046	B3357 Two Bridges Bottom	Foal	Dead
22/08/23	13.42 pm	Lee Moor	Sheep	Survived
23/08/23	08.57 am	B3212 Peek Hill	Sheep	Dispatched
24/08/23	07.30 am	Roborough Down Bickham	Foal	Dispatched broken leg
24/08/23	10.15 am	B3357 Pork Hill	Sheep	Dead

24/08/23	14.25 pm	B3357 Merrivale	Sheep	Dispatched
25/08/23	20.30 pm	Dartmeet Yar Tor	Pony	Survived
26/08/23	23.45	B3212 Leeden Bends	Cow	Survived
28/08/23	10.00 am	Lee Moor	Sheep	Dead
28/08/23	15.54 pm	Ponsworth/Leusdon	Sheep	Dead
02/09/23	07.00 am	Lee Moor	Pony	Dead
05/09/23	07.05 am	Horrabridge Hill	Sheep	Dead
08/09/23	22.30 pm log 1128	Beltor	Cow	Survived
09/09/23	08.30 am	Cadover	Sheep	Dead
09/09/23	20.25 pm	B3212 Leeden Bends	Cow	Dead
11/09/23	10.24 am	Cadover Durrants	Sheep	Dead
13/09/23	09.20 am	Cadover	Sheep	Dead
14/09/23	07.30 am	Greenwell	Sheep	Dead
14/09/23	11.30 am	B3357 Dunnabridge	Sheep	Dead
14/09/23	11.45 am	B3357 Merrivale	Sheep	Dead
15/09/23	22.50 pm	B3357 Merrivale	Sheep	Dead
16/09/23	11.30 am	Cadover Lakes	Sheep	Dead
17/09/23	14.10 pm	Meavy Lynch Hill cattle grid	Sheep	Dead
18/09/23	15.15 pm	Haytor	Sheep	Dispatched broken leg

01/01/23–18/09/23

129 animals in RTAs. 100 dead, 29 survived
ponies/foals - 22 dead, 8 survived
sheep/lambs - 75 dead, 18 survived
cows/calves - 3 dead, 3 survived

Red: B3212 Dousland to Moreton cattle grid
Blue: B3357 Pork Hill to Dartmeet

Karla McKechnie
Livestock Protection Officer

For all welfare issues involving
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DARTMOOR LIVESTOCK PROTECTION SOCIETY

REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 234747

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL or NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

The Annual Membership Subscription is Ten Pounds (£10) but we hope that some may wish to supplement this with a donation. Life Membership costs One Hundred Pounds (£100)

To: **Hon Treasurer DLPS - Mrs Mavis Hewitt**
2 The Exchange, Church St, South Brent TQ10 9AE

I enclose the sum of £ Subscription/Donation

Make cheques payable to Dartmoor Livestock Protection Society (written in full)
or by BACS – Lloyds Bank; sort code – 30-96-06; a/c no. - 00731251;
account name – Dartmoor Livestock Protection Society (please use your name as the
reference) or if you would like to pay by standing order, please contact the Treasurer.

Please tick: Membership Renewal ☐ New Membership ☐

FULL NAME (Mr/Mrs/Miss) BLOCK CAPITALS PLEASE

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Address

.....Postcode

Telephone Number

Members receive a copy of the Annual Report/Accounts. To comply with GDP
Regulations please confirm you wish to receive these by ticking here ☐

Signed Date

ASSISTANCE WITH ANY OF THE FOLLOWING WOULD BE GREAT VALUE

Please tick if experienced with animals ☐

Help on the Moor ☐ Moorland Observation ☐ Manning stands ☐

Please send card(s) giving Emergency Aid Tel Number.

Please send information on DLPS to the person(s) listed below who may be
interested in the work of the Society:

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Thank You

DARTMOOR LIVESTOCK PROTECTION SOCIETY

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Following the changes in the April 2000 Budget, charities can now reclaim tax paid on annual subscriptions or on any amount, whether large or small, given to the charity by a tax payer. If you would like to donate in this way (and have not already completed a form) please complete this form and return to:

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TQ10 9AE**

I confirm that I am a tax payer in the UK and I would like DLPS to reclaim the tax through Gift Aid on all donations made from 6th April 2000 onwards, until this is cancelled by me:

Name

Address

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If you are unsure if your tax status qualifies you, you may obtain a leaflet (IR113 GIFT AID) from your local tax office.

Thank You





Cut free from the wire



Rescued from drowning at Meldon Reservoir



THE DARTMOOR LIVESTOCK PROTECTION SOCIETY
CHARITY NO 234747
TRUSTEE'S REPORT AND UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS
31 DECEMBER 2023

Dartmoor Livestock Protection Society

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Charity No 234747

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The following trustees served during the year:

L Andrews

G Dale

M Hewitt

M Saunders

E Smerdon

Accountants

Mason Accountancy Limited

Moors Edge Barn

Woodford

Blackawton

Devon

TQ9 7AA

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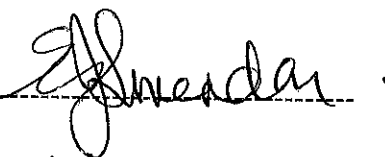
Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees.



M Saunders

Trustee

[Date] 10/05/24



E Smerdon

Trustee

[Date] 10/05/24

**Dartmoor Livestock Protection Society
Independent Examiners Report**

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of The Dartmoor Livestock Protection Society

We report to the trustees on our examination of the financial statements of The Dartmoor Livestock Protection Society for the year ended 31 December 2023 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and related notes.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

We report in respect of our examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out our examination we have followed all the applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.


Independent examiner's statement

We have completed our examination. We can confirm that no material matters have come to our attention in connection with the examination giving us cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

We 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 financial statements to be reached.

Mason Accountancy Limited
Moors Edge Barn
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15/3/2024

**Dartmoor Livestock Protection Society
Statement of Financial Activities**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

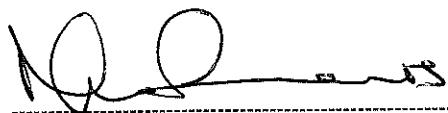
	Notes	2023	2022
Income and endowments from:			
Donations & Legacies	3	6,720	66,139
Investments	4	25,684	22,117
Other	5	3,000	-
Total income receivable		<u>35,404</u>	<u>88,256</u>
 Expenditure on:			
Charitable activities	6	31,442	30,932
Other	7	11,961	10,449
Total		43,403	41,381
Net gain/losses on investments		44,125	(48,001)
Net expenditure		36,126	(1,126)
Transfer between funds		-	-
Net expenditure before other Gains/(losses)		36,126	(1,126)
Other gains and losses		-	-
Net movement in funds		36,126	(1,126)
Reconciliation of funds		-	-
Total funds brought forward.		581,353	582,479
Total fund carried forward.		617,479	581,353
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**Dartmoor Livestock Protection Society
Balance sheet**

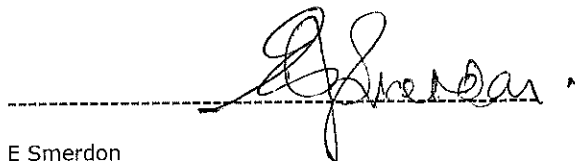
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
ASSETS			
Intangible assets	9	-	494,862
Investments	10	586,353	(26,000)
		586,353	468,862
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank		35,268	115,848
		35,268	115,848
CREDITORS: Amount falling due within one year	11	(4,142)	(3,357)
Net current assets		31,126	112,491
Total assets less current liabilities		617,479	581,353
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Total net assets		617,479	581,353
 The funds of the Charity			
Restricted Funds	12		
Unrestricted Funds	12		
General funds		573,354	594,249
Reserves			
Revaluation reserve	12	44,125	(12,896)
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Total funds		617,479	581,353

Approved by the trustees on 31 December 2023
And signed on their behalf by:



M Saunders
Trustee
[Date] 10/05/24



E Smerdon
Trustee
[Date] 10/05/24

Dartmoor Livestock Protection Society
Notes to the Accounts

For the year ended 31 December 2023

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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 (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Change in basis of account or to previous accounts.

There has been no change to the accounting policies (valuation rules and method of accounting) since last year and no changes have been made to accounts for previous years.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds	These are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objects of the charity.
Designated funds	These are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular purposes.
Revaluation funds	These are unrestricted funds which include a revaluation reserve representing the restatement of investment assets at their market values.
Restricted funds	These are available for use subject to restrictions imposed by the donor or through terms of an appeal.

Income

Recognition of income	Income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity becomes entitled to, and virtually certain to receive, the income and the amount of income can be measured with sufficient reliability.
Income with related expenditure	Where income has related expenditure the income and related expenditure is reported gross in the SoFA.
Donations and legacies	Voluntary income received by way of grants, donations and gifts is included in the SoFA when receivable and only when the Charity has unconditional entitlement to the income.
Tax reclaims on donations and gifts	Income from tax reclaims is included in the SoFA at the same time as the gift/donation to which it relates.
Donated services and facilities	These are only included in income (with an equivalent amount in expenditure) where the benefit to the Charity is reasonably quantifiable, measurable, and material.
Volunteer help	The value of any volunteer help received is not included in the accounts.
Investment income	This is included in the accounts when receivable.
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of fixed assets	This includes any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.
Gains/(losses) on investment assets	This includes any gain or loss on the sale of investments.

Dartmoor Livestock Protection Society
Notes to the Accounts

For the year ended 31 December 2023

Expenditure

Recognition of expenditure	Expenditure is recognised on an accrual's basis. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.
Expenditure on raising funds	These comprise the costs associated with attracting voluntary income, fundraising, trading costs and investment management costs.
Expenditure on charitable activities	These comprise the costs incurred by the Charity in the delivery of its activities and services in the furtherance of its objects, including the making of grants and governance costs.
Grants payable	All grant expenditure is accounted for on an actual paid basis plus an accrual for grants that have been approved by the trustees at the end of the year but not year paid.
Governance costs	These include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the Charity, including any audit/independent examination fees, costs linked to the strategic management of the Charity, together with a share of other administration costs.
Other expenditure	These are support costs not allocated to a particular activity.

Taxation

The Charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Freehold investment property

Investment properties are measured initially at cost and subsequently at fair value at each balance sheet date and are not depreciated. All gains or losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities as they arise.

Stocks

Stock is included at the lower of cost or net realisable value. Donated items of stock are recognised at fair value which is the amount the charity would have been willing to pay for the items on the open market.

Trade and other debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts etc.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash at bank and on hand, demand deposits with banks and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less and bank overdrafts. In the statement of financial position, bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings or current liabilities. In the Statement of Cash Flows, can and cash equivalents are shown net of bank overdrafts that are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the Charity's cash management.

Trade and other creditors

Short term creditors are measured at the transaction price. Other creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts etc.

Foreign currencies

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in currencies other than the functional currency of the Charity are translated at the rates of exchange prevailing at the end of the reporting period. Transactions in currencies other than the functional currency of the Charity are recorded at the rate of exchange on the date that the transaction occurred. All exchange difference are taken into account in arriving at net income/expenditure.

**Dartmoor Livestock Protection Society
Notes to the Accounts**

For the year ended 31 December 2023

Receipt of donated goods, facilities, and services

All donated goods, facilities and services received are recognised within incoming resources and expenditure at an estimate of the value to the Charity.

2. Statement of Financial Activities – prior year

	2022
	£
Income and endowments from:	
Donations & Legacies	66,139
Investments	22,117
Other	-
Total income receivable	<u>88,256</u>
Expenditure on:	
Charitable activities	30,932
Other	10,449
Total	41,381
Net losses on investments	(48,001)
Net expenditure	(1,126)
Transfer between funds	-
Net expenditure before other Gains/(losses)	(1,126)
Other gains and losses	-
Net movement in funds	(1,126)
Reconciliation of funds	-
Total funds brought forward.	582,479
Total fund carried forward.	581,353

3 Income from donations and legacies

	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£
Donations	3,559	15,896
Legacies	2,000	50,000
Sundry – fund raising	1,160	243
	<u>6,719</u>	<u>66,139</u>

Dartmoor Livestock Protection Society
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For the year ended 31 December 2023

4. Income from Investments

	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£
NSiB Interest	684	117
Raymond James Investment Income	25,000	22,000
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	25,684	22,117
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5. Other Income

	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£
Grant from Animal Defence Trust (ADT)	3,000	-
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	3,000	-
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6. Expenditure on charitable activities

Expenditure on charitable activities

	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£
Ponies, Sheep & Cattle	3,446	3,578
Livestock Protection Officer Grant	21,000	19,965
Livestock Protection Officer expenses	6,996	7,389
Sundry	-	-
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	31,44	30,932
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7. Other Expenditure

	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£
General administrative costs	11,361	9,849
Legal & Professional costs	600	600
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	11,961	10,449
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8. Staff Costs

No employees.

Dartmoor Livestock Protection Society
Notes to the Accounts
For the year ended 31 December 2023

9. Intangible fixed assets

	Investments	Total
	£	£
Cost		
At 1 January 2023	494,862	494,862
Additions	50,000	-
Fair value adjustments	41,491	-
At 31 December 2023	586,353	494,862
Net book values		
At 31 December 2023	586,353	494,862
At 31 December 2022	494,862	494,862

10. Investments

	Other Investments -Unlisted	Total
	£	£
Cost or revaluation		
At 1 January 2023	(26,000)	(26,000)
At 31 December 2023	0	(26,000)
Net book values		
At 31 December 2023	0	(26,000)
At 31 December 2022	(26,000)	(26,000)

11. Creditors

	2023	2022
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year		
Accruals and deferred income	4,142	3,357
	4,142	3,357

Dartmoor Livestock Protection Society
Notes to the Accounts
For the year ended 31 December 2023

12. Movement in funds

	As at 1 January 2023	Incoming resources (including other gains/losses	Resources expended.	As at 31 December 2023
	£	£	£	£
Restricted funds:				
Unrestricted funds:				
General funds:	594,249	35,403	(43,403)	586,249
Revaluation Reserves:				
Revaluation fund	(12,896)			
Total revaluation reserves	(12,896)	44,126		31,230
Total Funds	<u>581,353</u>	<u>79,529</u>	<u>(43,403)</u>	<u>617,479</u>

Purposes and restrictions in relation to funds:

Revaluation reserves: Represent the amount by which investments exceed their historical cost.

13. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£
Fixed Assets	586,353	494,862
Investments	-	(26,000)
Net Current Assets	31,126	112,491
	<u>617,479</u>	<u>581,353</u>

14. Reconciliation of net debt

	At 1 January 2023	Cash flows	At 31 December 2023
	£		£
Cash and cash equivalents	115,848	(80,580)	35,268
	<u>115,848</u>	<u>(80,580)</u>	<u>35,268</u>
Net debt	<u>617,479</u>		<u>581,353</u>

**Dartmoor Livestock Protection Society
Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
For the year ended 31 December 2023**

	2023	2022
	£	£
Income and endowments from:		
Donations & Legacies		
Donations	3,559	15,896
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Sundry – fund raising	1,160	243
Other	3,000	-
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Investments		
NSIB Interest	684	117
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Expenditure on:		
Ponies, Sheep & Cattle	3446	3,578
Livestock Protection Officer	21,000	19,965
Livestock Protection Officer expenses	6,996	7,389
Sundry	-	-
Total expenditure on Charitable activities	31,442	30,932
General administrative costs, including Depreciation and amortisation		
Treasurer's Honorarium	2,000	1,500
Raymond James Investment management fees	5,554	5,507
Advertising	-	40
Other Charitable activities	1,048	312
Advertising	998	1,205
Stationery & Printing	914	167
Sundry Expenses	847	1,118
Net expenditure	11,361	9,849
Legal and professional costs	600	600
Accountancy & bookkeeping		
Total expenditure of other costs	11,961	10,449

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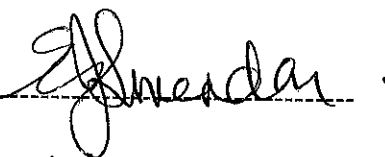
Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees.



M Saunders

Trustee

[Date] 10/05/24



E Smerdon

Trustee

[Date] 10/05/24

**Dartmoor Livestock Protection Society
Independent Examiners Report**

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of The Dartmoor Livestock Protection Society

We report to the trustees on our examination of the financial statements of The Dartmoor Livestock Protection Society for the year ended 31 December 2023 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and related notes.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

We report in respect of our examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out our examination we have followed all the applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.


Independent examiner's statement

We have completed our examination. We can confirm that no material matters have come to our attention in connection with the examination giving us cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

We 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 financial statements to be reached.

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**Dartmoor Livestock Protection Society
Statement of Financial Activities**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

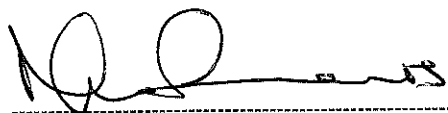
	Notes	2023	2022
Income and endowments from:			
Donations & Legacies	3	6,720	66,139
Investments	4	25,684	22,117
Other	5	3,000	-
Total income receivable		<u>35,404</u>	<u>88,256</u>
 Expenditure on:			
Charitable activities	6	31,442	30,932
Other	7	11,961	10,449
Total		43,403	41,381
Net gain/losses on investments		44,125	(48,001)
Net expenditure		36,126	(1,126)
Transfer between funds		-	-
Net expenditure before other Gains/(losses)		36,126	(1,126)
Other gains and losses		-	-
Net movement in funds		36,126	(1,126)
Reconciliation of funds		-	-
Total funds brought forward.		581,353	582,479
Total fund carried forward.		617,479	581,353
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**Dartmoor Livestock Protection Society
Balance sheet**

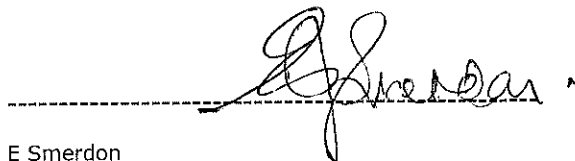
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
ASSETS			
Intangible assets	9	-	494,862
Investments	10	586,353	(26,000)
		586,353	468,862
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank		35,268	115,848
		35,268	115,848
CREDITORS: Amount falling due within one year	11	(4,142)	(3,357)
Net current assets		31,126	112,491
Total assets less current liabilities		617,479	581,353
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Total net assets		617,479	581,353
 The funds of the Charity			
Restricted Funds	12		
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Unrestricted Funds			
General funds		573,354	594,249
Reserves			
Revaluation reserve	12	44,125	(12,896)
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Total funds		617,479	581,353

Approved by the trustees on 31 December 2023
And signed on their behalf by:



M Saunders
Trustee
[Date] 10/05/24



E Smerdon
Trustee
[Date] 10/05/24

Dartmoor Livestock Protection Society
Notes to the Accounts

For the year ended 31 December 2023

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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 (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Change in basis of account or to previous accounts.

There has been no change to the accounting policies (valuation rules and method of accounting) since last year and no changes have been made to accounts for previous years.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds	These are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objects of the charity.
Designated funds	These are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular purposes.
Revaluation funds	These are unrestricted funds which include a revaluation reserve representing the restatement of investment assets at their market values.
Restricted funds	These are available for use subject to restrictions imposed by the donor or through terms of an appeal.

Income

Recognition of income	Income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity becomes entitled to, and virtually certain to receive, the income and the amount of income can be measured with sufficient reliability.
Income with related expenditure	Where income has related expenditure the income and related expenditure is reported gross in the SoFA.
Donations and legacies	Voluntary income received by way of grants, donations and gifts is included in the SoFA when receivable and only when the Charity has unconditional entitlement to the income.
Tax reclaims on donations and gifts	Income from tax reclaims is included in the SoFA at the same time as the gift/donation to which it relates.
Donated services and facilities	These are only included in income (with an equivalent amount in expenditure) where the benefit to the Charity is reasonably quantifiable, measurable, and material.
Volunteer help	The value of any volunteer help received is not included in the accounts.
Investment income	This is included in the accounts when receivable.
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of fixed assets	This includes any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.
Gains/(losses) on investment assets	This includes any gain or loss on the sale of investments.

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Expenditure

Recognition of expenditure	Expenditure is recognised on an accrual's basis. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.
Expenditure on raising funds	These comprise the costs associated with attracting voluntary income, fundraising, trading costs and investment management costs.
Expenditure on charitable activities	These comprise the costs incurred by the Charity in the delivery of its activities and services in the furtherance of its objects, including the making of grants and governance costs.
Grants payable	All grant expenditure is accounted for on an actual paid basis plus an accrual for grants that have been approved by the trustees at the end of the year but not year paid.
Governance costs	These include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the Charity, including any audit/independent examination fees, costs linked to the strategic management of the Charity, together with a share of other administration costs.
Other expenditure	These are support costs not allocated to a particular activity.

Taxation

The Charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Freehold investment property

Investment properties are measured initially at cost and subsequently at fair value at each balance sheet date and are not depreciated. All gains or losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities as they arise.

Stocks

Stock is included at the lower of cost or net realisable value. Donated items of stock are recognised at fair value which is the amount the charity would have been willing to pay for the items on the open market.

Trade and other debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts etc.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash at bank and on hand, demand deposits with banks and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less and bank overdrafts. In the statement of financial position, bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings or current liabilities. In the Statement of Cash Flows, can and cash equivalents are shown net of bank overdrafts that are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the Charity's cash management.

Trade and other creditors

Short term creditors are measured at the transaction price. Other creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts etc.

Foreign currencies

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in currencies other than the functional currency of the Charity are translated at the rates of exchange prevailing at the end of the reporting period. Transactions in currencies other than the functional currency of the Charity are recorded at the rate of exchange on the date that the transaction occurred. All exchange difference are taken into account in arriving at net income/expenditure.

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Receipt of donated goods, facilities, and services

All donated goods, facilities and services received are recognised within incoming resources and expenditure at an estimate of the value to the Charity.

2. Statement of Financial Activities – prior year

	2022
	£
Income and endowments from:	
Donations & Legacies	66,139
Investments	22,117
Other	-
Total income receivable	<u>88,256</u>
Expenditure on:	
Charitable activities	30,932
Other	10,449
Total	41,381
Net losses on investments	(48,001)
Net expenditure	(1,126)
Transfer between funds	-
Net expenditure before other Gains/(losses)	(1,126)
Other gains and losses	-
Net movement in funds	(1,126)
Reconciliation of funds	-
Total funds brought forward.	582,479
Total fund carried forward.	581,353

3 Income from donations and legacies

	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£
Donations	3,559	15,896
Legacies	2,000	50,000
Sundry – fund raising	1,160	243
	<u>6,719</u>	<u>66,139</u>

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4. Income from Investments

	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£
NSiB Interest	684	117
Raymond James Investment Income	25,000	22,000
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	25,684	22,117
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5. Other Income

	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£
Grant from Animal Defence Trust (ADT)	3,000	-
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	3,000	-
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6. Expenditure on charitable activities

Expenditure on charitable activities

	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£
Ponies, Sheep & Cattle	3,446	3,578
Livestock Protection Officer Grant	21,000	19,965
Livestock Protection Officer expenses	6,996	7,389
Sundry	-	-
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	31,44	30,932
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7. Other Expenditure

	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£
General administrative costs	11,361	9,849
Legal & Professional costs	600	600
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	11,961	10,449
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8. Staff Costs

No employees.

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9. Intangible fixed assets

	Investments	Total
	£	£
Cost		
At 1 January 2023	494,862	494,862
Additions	50,000	-
Fair value adjustments	41,491	-
At 31 December 2023	586,353	494,862
Net book values		
At 31 December 2023	586,353	494,862
At 31 December 2022	494,862	494,862

10. Investments

	Other Investments -Unlisted	Total
	£	£
Cost or revaluation		
At 1 January 2023	(26,000)	(26,000)
At 31 December 2023	0	(26,000)
Net book values		
At 31 December 2023	0	(26,000)
At 31 December 2022	(26,000)	(26,000)

11. Creditors

	2023	2022
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year		
Accruals and deferred income	4,142	3,357
	4,142	3,357

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12. Movement in funds

	As at 1 January 2023	Incoming resources (including other gains/losses	Resources expended.	As at 31 December 2023
	£	£	£	£
Restricted funds:				
Unrestricted funds:				
General funds:	594,249	35,403	(43,403)	586,249
Revaluation Reserves:				
Revaluation fund	(12,896)			
Total revaluation reserves	(12,896)	44,126		31,230
Total Funds	<u>581,353</u>	<u>79,529</u>	<u>(43,403)</u>	<u>617,479</u>

Purposes and restrictions in relation to funds:

Revaluation reserves: Represent the amount by which investments exceed their historical cost.

13. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£
Fixed Assets	586,353	494,862
Investments	-	(26,000)
Net Current Assets	31,126	112,491
	<u>617,479</u>	<u>581,353</u>

14. Reconciliation of net debt

	At 1 January 2023	Cash flows	At 31 December 2023
	£		£
Cash and cash equivalents	115,848	(80,580)	35,268
	<u>115,848</u>	<u>(80,580)</u>	<u>35,268</u>
Net debt	<u>617,479</u>		<u>581,353</u>

**Dartmoor Livestock Protection Society
Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
For the year ended 31 December 2023**

	2023	2022
	£	£
Income and endowments from:		
Donations & Legacies		
Donations	3,559	15,896
Legacies	2,000	50,000
Sundry – fund raising	1,160	243
Other	3,000	-
Total income receivable	<u>9,719</u>	<u>66,139</u>
 Investments		
NSIB Interest	684	117
Raymond James Investment	25,000	22,000
	25,684	22,117
 Expenditure on:		
Ponies, Sheep & Cattle	3446	3,578
Livestock Protection Officer	21,000	19,965
Livestock Protection Officer expenses	6,996	7,389
Sundry	-	-
Total expenditure on Charitable activities	31,442	30,932
 General administrative costs, including Depreciation and amortisation		
Treasurer's Honorarium	2,000	1,500
Raymond James Investment management fees	5,554	5,507
Advertising	-	40
Other Charitable activities	1,048	312
Advertising	998	1,205
Stationery & Printing	914	167
Sundry Expenses	847	1,118
Net expenditure	11,361	9,849
Legal and professional costs	600	600
Accountancy & bookkeeping		
Total expenditure of other costs	11,961	10,449

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
For the year ended 31 December 2023**

	2023	2022
Total expenditure	43,403	41,381
Net Gains/losses on investments	<u>44,125</u>	<u>(48,001)</u>
Net expenditure	36,126	(1,126)
Net expenditure before other Gains/(losses)		(1,126)
Other gains and losses		-
Net movement in funds	36,126	(1,126)
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Reconciliation of funds		
Total funds brought forward.	581,353	582,479
Total fund carried forward.	617,479	581,353

