



# BRITISH PIG ASSOCIATION ANNUAL REPORT 2023



## Introduction

The BPA Annual General meeting finally returns to its regular schedule at the end of October after four years of disruption. When we adjourned the meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> October 2019 who could have predicted the chaos that lay ahead. Less than 6 months later we were in Covid lockdown. Within 24 hours of the announcement we had already secured confirmation that pig keepers were an essential part of feeding the nation and that our members would be able to continue moving their pigs and go about their daily business and we were able to adapt our office and working practices so that pedigree recording could continue uninterrupted. These disruptions took their toll on our plans to review our governance structure and so the whole project was delayed as we focussed on supporting our members whose businesses were dependant on local restaurants and pubs.

It wasn't until the summer of 2021 that we were able to return to the business of reviewing our corporate governance and developing a plan for the next decade. That plan is now well underway.

We have refocussed our charitable objectives on Conservation and Sustainable Pork Production. Two new committees covering these core objectives will be formally launched by the new board of directors immediately after the Annual General Meeting. We have completely rewritten our constitution and in doing so we have turned the way that the Association works on its head, making it possible for any member who has the interest, time and skills to get involved. It has also allowed us to appoint two Non-Executive Directors: Anthony Davison and Ian Jones, both of whom have had an immediate impact on the Pork Committee as reported below.

Under the new constitution we will be electing one third of the board each year instead of a complete change of personnel every three years. Membership of the Board is now open to all our breeders and keepers and we hope that in the coming years we will be able to attract new faces with new ideas and the time and skills to help us achieve our core objectives.

As part of this transition we will be appointing six new board members at the Annual General Meeting each of whom will serve a three-year term and as soon as possible we will be appointing the remaining two Non-Executive Directors. The transition will be complete when the remaining two board members elected under the old constitution will step down ahead of our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary which we will celebrate on November 1<sup>st</sup> 2024.

Three of our current Trustees are leaving the Board but they will all continue their important work with the Association.

Tracey Bretherton has been a Trustee of the Charity since 2012. She has created a Youth Development Programme through the Junior Pig Club which is the envy of many other breed societies and conservation charities. At this year's Future Stars competition held at the Malvern Autumn Show we were able to see just how far this programme has come as all the judges and stewards for the event were graduates of the Junior Pig Club. Tracey will continue to run our Youth Development Programme whilst also acting as a Breed Representative for the Middle Whites.

Maria Naylor has served as a Director and Trustee since 2018. She has embraced the new ways of working that have been opened up as result of the changes to our governance model. She has turned the Show Committee into an autonomous working group operating with devolved authority from the board of directors. She will continue to manage this important work stream with the support of her team of members without the need for staff resources from the BPA office.

Nigel Overend was appointed as a Trustee in 2012. Over the last decade he has worked tirelessly to support our efforts to build a genebank that is a cornerstone of our conservation policy. As the first phase of that project draws to a close he will be taking time to develop his new business Origin Genetics Ltd and attend to family commitments. We will continue to work closely with Nigel on ex-situ conservation projects and we hope very much he will return to the board in the future when family and work commitments permit.

I would like to put on record my sincere thanks to Tracey, Maria and Nigel for all their support especially during the last four years as we have faced up to and overcome unprecedented challenges whilst at the same time completing a complete overhaul of our governance structure that will place us on a sound footing for the future.

The new board and the core committees will be announcing plans for the future in the next issue of Practical Pigs due out at the end of November but of course work has continued throughout the summer since the Annual General Meeting in May.

### **Pedigree Pork 2023**

Throughout 2023 the Pedigree Pork Committee has continued its work to promote pedigree, sustainable pork production, recognising that this underpins ongoing conservation of our breeds.

Two Non-Executive Directors joined the BPA Board, both bringing a wealth of knowledge and food business experience to the BPA and the Pedigree Pork Committee. Ian Jones has already written an article on setting up a pork business in the Summer issue of Practical Pigs.

During September and October 2023, the Committee has hosted a series of webinars focusing on pork production and some of the wider issues currently facing small scale pig producers.

The BPA has joined forces with Anthony Davidson, Founder of Big Barn who has set up a map of BPA Pedigree Pork Scheme members. This map is available on the BPA Pedigree Pork website and links into the Big Barn map and other food focused websites. Each producer is represented by an icon on the map taking you through to a page where producers can include details of their pork business and availability. This is available to members as part of their BPA membership. There is an option to upgrade this listing to an online shop should members so wish, subject to a modest annual fee.

The first of our webinars saw a demonstration of the mapping system and the free view page as well as an online shop. Plans for future marketing initiatives mean that this should be a useful and important resource for members going forwards. In the second part of the webinar we looked at the requirement for vet attestations and the implications for members. Work relating to this is ongoing, with updates being provided when available.

We were subsequently fortunate to have a butchery demonstration by Simon Taylor, Captain of GB's Butchery Team, talking through his experiences of running a successful butchery business and adding value to our pork, ably assisted by Ian Jones as our second webinar.

The third webinar drew upon the experiences of chef turned pig keeper Ian McEntire who was heavily involved in the Food Float, a community interest company promoting and selling produce from local producers and who now farms pigs and sheep in the Surrey Hills. The concept of the Food Float is pertinent to future plans of the Committee in developing a template for regional pork supply – part of the subject matter of the fourth webinar.



Our fourth webinar focussed on the future plans of the Committee – marketing, potential for regional co-operatives and more. We are keen to hear your suggestions for future work relating to Pedigree Pork. We are also planning a Pedigree Pork Product Competition as part of the English Winter Fair in Stafford in November 2023, something we hope to build on in coming years. We will continue to host a further series of webinars on issues relevant to our members.

The Committee is focused on increasing consumer awareness of the conservation benefits of eating Pedigree Pork and increasing engagement to encourage the active sourcing of pork from BPA members. Pedigree pork stickers have been available to members for several years and a series of promotional leaflets and posters are planned to support this. These will contain a QR code linking to the Pedigree Pork website and the producer map - ultimately people need to know where they can buy pedigree pork.

Enhancements are planned to the Pedigree Pork website to include more information about the conservation benefits of eating pedigree pork. It is not just pork, it is pedigree pork. Pedigree = provenance. The origin of our pigs can be traced back over many years, forming part of our history and culture and providing diverse genetics, already important in medicine, but with significant potential for future use in both medical and agriculture sectors. We need to press this message and encourage the public to help with ongoing conservation by eating our pedigree pork.

## **Conservation**

Two key conservation projects have been undertaken during the summer.

In March of this year we learned with dismay that the Felton herd owned by the Earl of Plymouth Estate at Ludlow would be closing and the breeding herd would be sold or culled.

This herd was established in 2005 with some 30 foundation sows from the Bettws herd in Abergavenny and 4 boars from the Meurig, Beckfield and Windmill herds. Over the next 7 years another 7 boars were introduced from the Windmill and Forthill herds but from 2012 onwards the Felton herd operated as closed herd with no movements of breeding stock from or to other breeders.

As a result this herd represented a unique population within the Gloucestershire Old Spots breed that was very unrelated to the rest of the national herd. It was imperative that this genepool was preserved and distributed.

Working with the Estate, the Gloucestershire Old Spots Breeders Club and the RBST a plan was put in place to find homes for as many of the breeding pigs as possible. Some 30 distinct breeding sows without common parents were identified. This was not a case of looking at lines but simply unrelated sows within this unique population.

In the end it was only possible to secure 12 sows and two boars, however the sows were all in pig to a number of different Felton boars so the progeny from their litters will represent a much wider spread of the genetics from within the herd. These sows were not selected by bloodlines although they do represent 6 different lines. The key to their selection was that they are out of 10 different sires and 11 different dams. From the 12 sows there is only one pair of litter sisters and they have been split between England and Northern Ireland

Brian Kelly moved eight of the sows to Northern Ireland where they have been distributed to a number of herds including the Tannaghmore Farm Park which is an approved RBST centre. Those sows farrowed in England during their quarantine period. Most of the progeny will remain in England and those that are good enough for breeding will be made available for sale to other breeders so that the genetics can be spread throughout the herd. In addition a boar from the Felton herd has been standing at the AI centre at Deerpark so that breeders can use him on their sows which will further increase the distribution of these genetics back into the

wider national herd. Guy & Melany Kiddy purchased 4 in pig sows and a boar for their Balsham herd in Cambridgeshire. Three of these pigs were in pig to three different Felton sires. These have now all farrowed and some stock will be for sale in due course. The boar purchased has been used on some Balsham sows as well as the bought in sows' and the first of these are due to farrow in September.

Going forwards we plan to add one Felton boar from each of the four male lines to the genebank to ensure that we maximise the diversity within the tank.

This is a good example of how a conservation project can be based on more than just the bloodlines. It also demonstrates how thanks to swift and decisive action and co-operation between the breed society, BPA, the breeders club, GOSPBC and the RBST important genetics were secured for distribution back into the national herd when they could so easily have been lost.

The 2022 Bloodline survey was encouraging in the sense that the decline in numbers amongst pedigree herds was not as severe as that suffered by the large-scale commercial herds. It did however highlight the plight of our modern native breeds. The British Landrace, Large White and Welsh breeds have suffered disproportionately over the last few years and numbers are approaching critical levels. Luckily there are still a handful of breeders who continue to pedigree record these important native breeds. In many cases they are persevering with herds established by their fathers and grandfathers in the hope of being able to pass them on to the next generation.

A joint project with the RBST has seen breeding packages of Large White pigs selected from the Least Related list and distributed to schools and farm parks. These pigs will be supervised by mentors to ensure that they are maintained as part of a breeding programme. Progeny from this programme will then be distributed on to new recipients with a view to establishing a wider network of schools, colleges and farm parks that will support the efforts of those dedicated breeders who continue to support the breed.

We have already completed our target lines for the British Landrace in the genebank and we will be adding the last of the Large White and Welsh lines to complete the modern breeds.

We will be launching our 2023 Bloodline survey immediately after the Annual General Meeting and would ask that all members complete their survey forms as quickly as possible so that we can publish our conservation plans as early as possible in the new year.

### **Show report**

This was the first year that the new Show Committee has operated without support from the office and they did a magnificent job of checking catalogue entries and monitoring judging appointments. Plans are in hand for increased checking of ear numbers at shows next season and information on correct identification has been published.

Our social media team do an excellent job of publishing show results on the BPA Facebook page almost immediately after each show and we are very grateful for their efforts.

The BPA Pig of the Year Competition was judged by Stephen Booth at the Great Yorkshire Show and he chose the British Lop gilt Liskard Lulu 59 bred by Julian Collings as his champion. The Young Pig of the Year was held at the Malvern Autumn Show where we were delighted to see Steve Richardson back in the ring judging and making an excellent recovery. He chose the Large Black gilt Addison Golden Harvest 13 owned and bred by Jack Holroyd as the Young Pig of Year 2023.

### **Junior Pig Club**

Working with schools is a key part of the Junior Pig Club programme. For some years now we have attended the School Farm Conference which brings together over 100 schools in a network under the umbrella of Social Farms and Gardens.

Our objective is to support School Farms and encourage them to keep pigs and preferably pedigree pigs as part of a conservation programme.

At this year's Conference we gave a presentation on How Pigs Can Be Used in Cross Curricular Learning. We also gave a report on the Berkshire Pig Club Boar Feeding Trial carried out at Hopwood College in Manchester. We have featured this Farm to Fork project in previous issues with glowing reports from the College about how much the students had benefited from their work with the pigs.

Our support for schools includes hands on workshops with pupils and staff. We have held two workshops so far this year, one at Hopwood College and the other at the Elms School in Herefordshire where we were joined by pupils and staff from Brendon School in Worcestershire. These workshops were also an introduction to our Future Stars Competition where after a pilot last year, we have a special class for schools.

One of the problems that we often encounter with schools and other institutions is that as staff move on the focus on particular projects can change. The involvement of the club with our schools can help to solve this problem as we are able to offer mentors who provide continuity and experience. These mentors now come from within the ranks of the club itself as we see some of our longest serving members grow into young adults with a keen interest in pigs and pig breeding. These older members are the first generation to graduate from the Junior Pig Club into our Young Leaders Programme and we are very proud of them. This is exactly the outcome that we hoped for when we held our first meeting some 20 years ago in the ring at the Royal Show with John Herbert, Nick Kiddy and Tracey Bretherton. John, himself a retired teacher, would be very proud of the work of the Club that he helped to establish.

Most Agricultural Societies these days run an educational event aimed at schools as well as their flagship County Shows and this year we have attended CountryTastics at Malvern, CountryDays at Lincoln as well as providing an Education Centre at the Great Yorkshire Show.

This year we re-introduced our Junior Championship held at the Malvern Autumn Fair alongside our Future Stars competition. We had 48 junior members who qualified through Young Handler Competitions at shows around the country.

We would like to thank our sponsors: Rob and Kim Bemand of the Leysterspring herd for our lovely trophies, Jack and Jane Holroyd of the Addison Herd for our prize money and Crediton Milling for the goody bags and money for the Champion Jackets.

The Future Stars competition was again held at the Malvern Autumn Show on 23<sup>rd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> September. We are very grateful to the Three Counties Agricultural Society for their continued support.

22 teams were put through their paces in a programme that involves a wide range of skills. Marketing and Promotion. Public Speaking. Teamwork, Stock Judging and Livestock Handling and of course having fun. This year we had 7 school teams entered with their own competition sponsored by Con-tented Products who kindly provided one of their Pig Arks as first prize and which was won by Nightingale School.

We would like to thank all our Future Stars sponsors for their support for our flagship competition: For Farmers, Con-tented Pig Products, Massey Feeds, Selby and York Markets, Hopecottage Farm Shop, J Knaggs, J Penny, R Smith and the following Breed Clubs: Berkshire, British Saddleback, Gloucestershire Old Spots and Oxford Sandy & Black.

Full results, reports and photos will be published in the next issue of Practical Pigs.

Our three Ambassadors Grace Bretherton, Merryn Philp and Oliver Lightfoot. have worked relentlessly over the year visiting shows and promoting our programme and they will be joined by Lissy Horsley who will be a welcome addition to the team for 2024. Junior membership has increased this year and we look forward to many more graduates of our Youth Development Programme coming through to join the team and help build a future for pedigree breeding.

## Communications Report

In the 2022 Annual report we introduced two new BPA social media platforms, Facebook, and Instagram. Since then, we have expanded our reach with a BPA You Tube channel on which we have uploaded three of our AHDB Feeding webinars, and, so far, one of our pork webinars. On Facebook and Instagram, we introduced our breeds and breed reps; BPA affiliated and accredited show results; Junior Pig Club activities; announced our Pork webinars and AHDB Feeding webinars; BPA members winners within the pork industry; Government key messages including the Animal Health and Welfare Pathway, government equipment grants and key rule changes e.g., vet attestation requirements.

Analysing the insights of our social media has shown that our 'message reach' far exceeds our organisation size. The BPA social media reached 53k individuals between 1st Jan and 17th October 2023. Benchmarking against similar organisations shows we are ahead in our post content, reach and almost in followers. This is excellent news to be able to promote the BPA organisation to Defra, AHDB Pork and other industry bodies to, hopefully, attract funding to extend our BPA activities, and to successfully demonstrate that the BPA can reliably be the 'voice of the small-scale pig keeper' – helping to protect all our pedigree pig herds.

A top 4 selection of our wide reach on different posts from 1st January 2023 to 17th October 2023

### Facebook (1.6k followers) – Top 4 post reach

1. Our veterinary attestation post (6/10/23) has reached almost 10k individuals already; with 79 likes, 96 click links, 31 comments and 22 shares.
2. JPC Pig Camp round up (20/08/23) reached 6.6k; with 192 likes, 15 comments and 8 shares.
3. Has BPA History been made? With mangalitza pigs entering the qualifying round for POTY (12/07/23) with 6.3k reach; 231 reactions, 13 comments and 8 shares.
4. Young Pig of the Year results (24/09/23) with 6.3k reach; 346 reactions, 23 comments and 14 shares

Our Instagram is comparable with other similar organisations, running at around 20% of the followers on Facebook. The Instagram audience is different in the posts most liked, with the government messages being the most popular. Further work to increase the Instagram following has started by broadening our use of simple hashtags e.g., #pigs #pedigreepig to enable us to be 'found' more easily. This should increase our reach statistics.

With our social media now established and performing well, the comms team\* have been formalising how to extend our reach beyond immediate social media to engage with different member audiences e.g., further platforms will be introduced shortly, including BPA Spotify Podcast and BPA TikTok channels. Practical Pigs magazine purchased a Go Pro for us and we have started shooting our 'how to' videos, which will be put on our BPA You Tube and TikTok channels.

Our social media channels provide a day to day means of communication with members in support of the news pages on our website and our BPA Newsletter which is published in partnership with Practical Pigs magazine where we continue to provide important technical articles aimed at all small scale pig keepers.

We have a whole host of other ideas, some of which will require expanding the team, keep an eye out on our social media for the skills we are looking for to join the Comms team; or better still, if you have a skill set you think would be useful then please do get in touch [comms@britishpigs.org](mailto:comms@britishpigs.org) or speak to a member of the team: Michaela Giles, Merryn Philp, Oliver Giles, Chris Impey, Harri Heeley, Gavin Pawson, Jason Knaggs, Joshua Farrell, Maria Naylor and Grace Bretherton. We would also like members to post their successes, husbandry tips, and anything else other members would find interesting to our social media channels – so share away.

## **Partnership Working**

We continue to work with Government to represent the interests of all small-scale pig producers and this was never more evident than in the recent issue around Veterinary Attestations. Government departments assumed that these would not be a problem for the pig sector as all pigs are in Red Tractor. We disabused them of this idea and for the last few months we have been working closely with other livestock associations representing sheep and cattle farmers as well the representatives of the abattoirs and markets to try and minimise the disruption for non-assured producers.

In this area we have received considerable support from AHDB with whom we have been working closely to amend the eAML2 movement licence form so that non assured producers can add their veterinary assessment number (VAN). Markets and abattoirs will then be able to pick up the VAN from the movement licence allowing them to sell to the highest bidder or dispose of all parts of the carcass to the most profitable market. Links from the movement licence form direct non-assured producers to the BPA website for pig specific advice. The Levy board are also working with us to identify abattoirs that will not require the VAN so that we can publish a list for those producers who are unable to get a vet visit ahead of the deadline.

As a member of the Technical Design and User Group we continue to oversee the development of a new multispecies Livestock Information System that will eventually replace the current movement licencing system and it is thanks to our membership of this group that we have been able to influence policy and resolve some of the problems associated with the Veterinary Attestations. We are lucky that the current pig movement licencing system is the envy of other species. This is a direct result of the involvement of AHDB in setting up a co-design forum where industry and government worked together to develop a system that would work for all producers. Our aim is that any replacement for eAML2 will be an improvement on what is already a very good service managed by AHDB.

AHDB has always been ready to help in time of crisis. Most recently during the feed crisis they helped us to organise an excellent series of webinars on the safe use of alternative feeds. The recordings of these webinars can be found on our YouTube channel and they have been watched by hundreds of producers.

The Association has always maintained that the whole pig industry including both large and small producers benefits from an industry funded levy board. As the industry becomes more consolidated with larger companies controlling an ever-increasing proportion of the production this becomes especially true for the small independent producer. Large vertically integrated businesses might be able to replicate some of the AHDB work for themselves but that would never be possible for the smaller independent producers. Controlling exotic disease and the threat it poses to our native breeds and our members businesses is crucial and forms an important part of the work that we undertake in partnership with AHDB. We were founder members of the Pig Health and Welfare Council which is managed by AHDB and we continue to be represented on both the pig health and food safety sub-groups. Exports may not seem important to smaller producers but they contribute over £50 to the price of every pig slaughtered and without them every producer would be worse off. The work on opening and maintaining export markets can only be undertaken as a collective exercise in partnership with AHDB and other levy boards.

The crisis of the last few years has seen overall sow numbers decline and at the same time decisions by government on VAT have had a very severe impact on the amount of levy income received by AHDB. The levy rate per pig has not been increased for 20 years. If AHDB is to continue to support these important programmes a small increase is essential. The Association supports the need for a well-funded producer run organisation that can work collectively with all sectors of the industry including both assured and non-assured producers.

As members of the Small Abattoir Working Group we have welcomed the announcement of £4m of funding for abattoirs with a throughput of less than 10,000 livestock units and we will work to ensure that abattoirs can invest in the facilities needed to process pigs that are not from controlled housing.



We have been very engaged in the work of the Animal Health and Welfare Pathway. We continue to remind the Pathway board of their commitment to universal participation and we welcome the recent announcement to remove some of the restrictions that were preventing our members from taking part. We will continue to work with the Pathway to find ways for even the smallest producers to be involved. We see this as the best way to develop an assurance scheme suitable for smaller producers.

In the summer we met with former Defra Secretary of State and pedigree pig breeder George Eustice to develop a Native Breeds Support Fund. Thanks to his intervention we have already had a very successful meeting with the Farming Minister, Mark Spencer along with other organisations including the RBST and other livestock associations. We are optimistic that this will lead to some specific programmes to support native breeds. We look forward to the next round of meetings in December where we will continue to push for programmes that are not limited to grazing animals and can be used to support native breed pigs.

Our annual bloodline survey is published by the Defra UK Genetics, Livestock and Equine committee as part of the National Inventory which forms the basis for the Breeds at Risk Register. We have recently been involved in the establishment of a Bio-Banking subgroup under this committee which we hope will lead to the establishment of a National Livestock Genebank to complement the one already in place for Plant Genetic Resources. The UKGLE committee is also responsible for the rules governing breed societies and pedigree breeding and as members of the Zootechnical sub-group we will continue to push for legislation that protects our native breeds.

In the event of an outbreak of exotic disease industry and government come together in a core group to manage the response to the disease. This is one of the key lessons learned from the Foot and Mouth outbreaks of 2001 and 2007. The Association sits on the Pig Core Group alongside the National Pig Association and we continue to push for an exercise to test our Breeds at Risk Policy so that we can be sure that where possible our pedigree registered native pig breeds will be spared from pre-emptive or precautionary culling. Together with the NPA we are pushing for Defra and APHA to conclude their amendments to the African Swine Fever legislation so that we can confirm our regionalisation policies and put them to the test in an exercise. We raised this issue with Mark Spencer when he attended a recent meeting of the Livestock Chain Advisory Group of which the Association is a long standing member.

We continue to work closely with the Rare Breeds Survival Trust in many areas including our Genebanking project. We were delighted to celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary at both Jimmy's Farm and the House of Lords. We look forward to returning the invitation during our own 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary next year.

## **Conclusion**

I cannot conclude the report without the thanks of all those people who enable the BPA to function as it does, we have excellent staff led superbly by Marcus Bates supported by Diane and Sarah. As I mentioned at the start of the report the last four years have been not been the easiest and administrating the organisation has had his challenges. As we move forwards into our new way of working you can be sure we will remain membership focussed, promoting and preserving the pigs in the best ways possible. We have support from grassroots ensuring our herdbooks are consistent, up to date and correct. We also have of course our breed reps, our committee chairs and committee members all working for the benefit of you our members and the pigs you keep. I wish to thank each and everyone of them and of course you our breeders. None of us can function without the other and together we are strong, and it is by working together we will achieve our aims and protect the individuality of the pigs and breeds we keep and for that I conclude by thanking you all. Thank you for all you do in the name of the association.

Chris Impey – Chairman

## **Finance Report December 2022, with Outlook for 2023**

Since the adoption of revised Articles of Association in February 2022, the Board of the BPA has embarked on its change program to ensure the BPA modernises, provides an inclusive organisation for all its members and diversifies its income base to ensure its future as an independent Charity.

Like many medium sized Charities in the post CoVid period, the BPA faces significant challenges and it is useful to reflect on this against the background of the Charity Sector as a whole.

Research undertaken by the Government at the end of 2021 showed that Charities had proved to be adaptable to take steps to address the challenges faced. Nearly half of charities affected took action to adapt their services, focusing on core projects moving to online services and cutting staff and other fixed costs.

The Charities Aid Foundation, in 2022, reported that 58% of 547 UK Charity Leaders felt that generating income and finding financial stability was one of the top challenges in the year.

A subsequent review conducted by Connect Assist in May 2023, highlighted the impact of Government Funding cuts, which in 2019/2020 had already fallen by £684m representing over 26% of UK Charity sector income. This review also highlighted the fact that 55% of Charities had to use their reserves whilst they looked at diversifying sustainable income.

The BPA has been no exception. Faced with the sudden elimination of certain Grant funding and further hampered by the post Brexit environment for pedigree breeding stock and pork exports, the income shortfall projected in 2022 and beyond required the Board to take immediate cost saving steps and put in place initiatives to rebalance the BPA finances.

Given our experience over CoVid lockdown and the lessons learnt from home working, the Board agreed that we could continue to operate efficiently in a virtual office environment. We had already appointed Breed Representatives who would provide Breed specific help to Pedigree members, delegating to these Breed Representative, the ability to resolve and agree some common problems. In addition, with the launch of the new Grassroots system, we had more user functionality to enable Pedigree Members to access and update their information.

Accordingly, in February 2023, the Board agreed a cost saving initiative such that:

- We move to a virtual office and give notice to the landlord on 01/03/23, effective 09/23
- We reduce the 'office' staff retaining only admin support for Pedigree services

By moving to a virtual office environment and reducing admin support we could affect annual savings of circa £47K BUT these will not take effect until after September 2023 (when the lease termination became effective). There was also some one off costs e.g. redundancy to fund in 2023.

This has now been implemented.

However, this was just one part of a broader program of change.

You may recall that in July 2021, the BPA Trustees undertook to a 10 year plan discussion, in which the financial challenges of the BPA were set out.

The change in the BPA Constitution was key to underpin the work needed as a Governance framework, which would enable the BPA to be less centralist, more agile and flexible, attracting people with the key skills to manage and drive forward the Charity in such a challenging environment was essential.

Further we would reposition the BPA such that we would:

1. Establish a Sustainable Pork Production Committee that can address and influence issues arising from such issues as Trichinella, influence Government policy as well as develop a small pork producer member inclusive assurance and marketing strategy.

2. Improve our communications policy, with improved Social Media activity to reach a larger proportion of our membership as well as encourage new members who can see the broad range of work the BPA undertakes.
3. Determine what products and services we will have available to which groups of breeders, pork producers and other pig keepers so this can be built into our pig recording systems

All of this in addition to our core Conservation objectives.

Following the adoption of the new Articles, we appointed two Non-Executive Directors, who have hit the ground running and been instrumental in helping to refocus our Pork initiatives, with assistance on marketing, regulatory and butchery virtual workshops. In the first of a series over the September/October 2023 period over 80 members registered.

Clearly, this is just a start but it is a positive indication of member engagement in areas where we have previously had low levels of interest.

The BPA Pork Committee is working hard to encourage smaller pork keepers and producers, not already members to have a greater involvement with the BPA and to join the organisation.

Our target is to treble BPA membership, through the pork production initiatives but this is not realistic overnight, as many of the initiatives will take 12 months plus to deliver and there is an inevitable lag time between delivery and a rise in membership.

The above outlook and program provides the context for looking at the Financial results for the year ending December 2022.

The BPA made a net deficit of £81,793 in the year compared with deficit of £13,136 in the previous year. The regulatory format for Charity accounts, which requires an allocation of income by Charitable activity and Governance costs may be unfamiliar to those used to corporate account format, but the annual trends show income from export and international grants and support has reduced by £168K since 2019.

Against the volatility in Global Markets, the value of our investments declined by £61K resulting in a year end value of investments of £464,898.00 (£607,850).

With the exception of £4701.00, all of the BPA's reserves are unrestricted, which means that the funds may be used to meet our cash flow needs.

In the year to 31 December 2022, we sold investments with a market value of £45,000 (original cost £40,632).

Notwithstanding the market volatility, the investment fund has continued achieve its overall target return of 4%p.a.

Sadly, the situation in relation to the lack of grant and trade support has continued into 2023 and the Board is committed to taking further steps to stem the expected deficit in the current year with a key focus on income diversification and cost containment.

The following plan has been discussed at the Board and will be endorsed at the Board meeting following the AGM.

- 1. Impose strict budget control for the key areas of Charity Activity. No expenditure outside of budget will be considered unless there is an immediate positive payback for the cost.**
- 2. We undertake a further cost cutting review before the end of 2023.**
- 3. We actively support and promote the Pork Initiatives and seek new membership at an annual subscription of £50.00 per member for non pedigree keepers and producers.**
- 4. We meet the cash flow shortfall for 2023 from the unrestricted investment reserves.**

- 5. Every quarter we confirm or amend the recovery program based upon the progress made via the Pork Initiatives and membership growth.**
- 6. We have a formal recovery review at June 2024, to determine whether we can continue independently.**
- 7. We focus Communication strategy on Pork and encouraging non pedigree participation.**
- 8. We confirm the key strategic committees as Pork and Conservation, with each to set out its long term plan to be delivered at, and monitored by the Board.**
- 9. We formally evolve the Junior Pig Club into a Young Pig Keeper Development Group, reporting to the Board.**
- 10. We establish the Pedigree Pig showing Group, to have its own Budget, reporting to the Board.**

It is recognised that this is a challenging and big agenda, which we must be committed to in terms of time and effort. However, we must also be realistic and practical. We have the skill and agility to turn this situation around but equally must not underestimate the challenge ahead.

Chris Coe - Treasurer

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Charity No: 248119

Company No: 00022088 (England and Wales)

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CHARITY REFERENCE ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2022

Charity name:	The British Pig Association
Charity registration number:	248119
Company registration number:	00022088 (England and Wales)
Registered office and Operational address:	Trumpington Mews 40B High Street Trumpington Cambridge CB2 9LS
Bankers:	National Westminster Bank Plc. 72-74 High Street Watford Hertfordshire WD1 2BQ
Investment advisers and bankers:	Cazenove Capital Management Schroder & Co. Limited 1 London Wall Place London EC2Y 5AU
Accountants and Independent: Examiner	Kishor Khanderia ACA Agutter . Khanderia Chartered Accountants 27 Imperial Drive Harrow HA2 7DG

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CHARITY REFERENCE ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS (Continued)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2022

Trustees and management Committee:

President: The Most Hon. The Marquess of Salisbury KG KCVO  
PC DL

Chairperson: C. Impey

Vice Chairperson: B. Kelly

Honorary Vice-Presidents: P. Brier  
B. Knight – retired 19/04/2023  
J. Millard  
Mrs. V. Mills

Chief executive officer  
and Secretary: M. Bates

Directors and Trustees: Mrs. T. Bretherton  
Mrs. C. Coe  
Dr. M. Giles  
C. Impey  
B. Kelly  
Mrs. S. Lugg  
Mrs. M Naylor  
N. Overend

Non-Executive Directors: Anthony Davidson – appointed 12/05/2023  
Ian Jones – appointed 12/05/2023

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**TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2022**

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act, present their annual report together with the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2022. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the charity.

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

**Trustees of the charity**

The directors of the charitable company are its trustees for the purposes of charity law. List of trustees who served during the year and since the year-end are listed on page 2 of the financial statements.

**Public benefit statement**

The charity is a public benefit entity.

**Our Aims, objectives and activities**

**Purposes and Aims**

Our charity's purposes as set out in the objects clauses contained in the company's memorandum of association.

The objects for which the Association is established and which shall be for Charitable purposes only are for the benefit of the United Kingdom public to ensure the sustainable conservation and preservation of pedigree pig breeds and breeding groups of domestic pedigree pigs of importance including the promotion of pedigree pigs breeds at risk and having characteristics worthy of preservation in the interest of zoological research and education to ensure the preservation of genes of special or potential value in hybridisation and other work

The aims of our charity are to provide comprehensive services to pedigree and small scale pig farmers in maintenance of their individual pigs and herds; educate members about the risks of disease through organising training workshops, shows and exhibitions both in the U. K. and overseas; development of the pedigree pig industry both in the United Kingdom and overseas by exchanges between countries. Our aims fully reflect the purposes that the charity was set up.

**Ensuring our work delivers our aims**

We review our aims, objectives and activities each year. Regular meetings are arranged by dedicated committees to review training, organisation of shows and events, regional and specific matters, and conservation of rare breeds, inspection of animal herds, welfare and special projects. The executive committee meets at least once a year to review the work of the individual committees.

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The reviews look at the success of each core activity and the benefits they have delivered to those groups of people we are set to help. The reviews also help us to ensure our aims; objectives and activities remain focused and deliver the planned benefits. We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aim and objectives and in planning our future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

The focus of our work

Our main objectives for the year continued to be that of the advancement of pedigree breeding, conservation and recording. The strategies we used to meet these objectives included:

Electronic and manual registrations of breed society functions in pedigree pig recordings;

Active support for members by telephone, correspondence, Internet and educational workshops;

Conservation of rare pedigree pigs semen stocks as part of our heritage; and

Organising events, shows and exhibitions both in the United Kingdom and worldwide to promote breeding and conservation of pedigree pigs.

**How our activities deliver public benefit**

Our main activities and whom we try to help are described below. All our charitable activities focus on delivering advancement and conservation within the pig industry that helps in delivering public benefit to a wider community.

Who used and benefited from our services

Our objects and our coverage helped us to provide services to the pedigree pig farmers throughout the United Kingdom. Advanced methods deployed in animal husbandry help the ultimate consumers in obtaining safe source of food and promote pedigree farming to regions outside the UK.

Our activities of organising shows and missions both in the United Kingdom and overseas countries deliver services to improve methods of pedigree breeding, control and help to eradicate disease and improve the quality of food supply chain that deliver a much wider public benefit.

Advice and information

Members and other users may obtain advice and information by Internet. We have developed our website to meet the assurance and accreditation standards. We have a dedicated website '[www.britishpigs.org](http://www.britishpigs.org)'

We provide dedicated support to members by telephone, electronic mail and by correspondence.

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**Financial Review**

The Statement of Financial Activities and balance sheet for the year are set out on pages 12 and 13 of the financial statements. A summary of the financial results and the work of the charity are set out below.

The trustees consider that the performance of the charity this year has been severely affected by several factors such as cross-border restrictions experienced by our members following Brexit (UK's cancellation of its membership of the European Union); the ongoing geo-political turmoil resulting from the ongoing war in Ukraine, and uncertainties in other countries where most of our shows and exhibitions take place.

We still operate in extremely challenging and uncertain financial and operational environment caused by the unpredictable global economy, increased regulation following United Kingdom's cancellation of its membership of the European Union at the beginning of year 2022.

The statement of financial activities shows net deficit for the year of £81,793 (2021: Deficit of £13,136).

Gains arising from sale; and unrealised losses on revaluation of our Quoted Stock Market Investments for the year resulted in a net loss of £61,159 (2021: Gains of £30,296).

Our reserves after revaluation of assets and investment gains stand at £464,898 (2021: £607,850).

The trustees have reviewed fund-raising strategies and return on fund-raising costs. We have managed to control costs to achieve stable delivery of services in an extremely difficult year. Fund-raising costs were financed by sponsorships, grants and contributions from members participating in the activities.

Global stock markets remained volatile during 2022. Value of our quoted investments lost approximately 10% of its market value during 2022 but was trading at approximately 8% above cost. Our return on investments has continued to perform well in the year 2022. Current investments consist of SUTL Cazenove Charity Class S Multi-Asset Fund income units. During the year, quoted investments costing £40,632 was sold for £45,000. Cost of our holding at the year-end was £455,023.

The trustees expect a yield of around 4.0% on our investments. We achieved a yield of over 4.0% on the market value of our investments.

The activities of the charity have remained the same as in previous year.

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Principal Fund-raising Sources

Our charity receives principal funding from membership subscriptions, donations and pedigree recording services together with sponsorships, grants and voluntary donations.

The Board has authorised to continue to promote and expand the pedigree pig industry both in the United Kingdom and overseas. Overseas schemes were mainly funded by grants and sponsorships.

Events organised in the United Kingdom for the year 2021 and 2022 were either cancelled or restricted due to uncertainties and restrictions since March 2020. All events and shows are normally financed from our own funds and from support of our sponsors.

Investment policy and returns

The executive committee has considered the most appropriate policy for investing funds and has found that specialised unit trusts, designed for the charity sector to control financial and other risks, meet their requirements to generate both income and capital growth. Our portfolio of investments should deliver stability and income return of approximately 4.00%.

Reserves policy and funds available

The Charity funds its various activities partly from membership subscriptions and fees, investment income and other fund-raising activities including grants and sponsorships. The current levels of services we provide are normally expected to result in a deficit of income over expenditure in the short term, which is financed by reserves of the Charity.

The trustees have reviewed the level of reserves required to effectively continue the breed society functions in pedigree pig recordings and conservation and provide other related services to its members.

Our free reserves as described below were £429,766.

Total reserves	464,898
Less: Restricted income funds	(4,701)
: Non-liquid assets	<u>(30,431)</u>
<u>Funds available</u>	<u>£429,766</u>

The review concluded that to allow the charity to be managed efficiently and to provide uninterrupted services, the current level of reserves should be maintained.

The present level of funding is adequate to support the continuation of the charity's functions for the short to medium term, and the trustees consider the financial position of the charity to be satisfactory.

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We also hold as part of our unrestricted reserves, £4,701 for designated income funds:

- Irish Members' Committee: £313
- Large White Breeders' Committee, which is available to facilitate continuation of White breed conservation activities: £1,207
- Geoffrey Cloke Memorial Fund to honour Mr. G. E. Cloke. This was set up during 2004 from donations to serve the interests of the Association and its members: £3,181

**Plans for future periods**

The trustees expect to continue its breed society functions in pedigree pig recordings and conservation; organise events, shows and exhibitions both in the United Kingdom and worldwide to promote animal welfare and the recording and conservation of pedigree pigs.

The chief executive monitors progress to ensure that the charity delivers the services specified and that key performance targets are met to include individual supervision of the staff team.

**Structure, Governance and Management**

Governing document

The charity is a charitable company limited by guarantee. It is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association.

Structure and management

The charity is organised so that the trustees meet regularly to manage its affairs.

All directors of the company are also trustees of the Charity, and there are no other trustees. All of the trustees named on page 2 served partly or throughout the year. The Board has the power to appoint additional trustees, as it considers fit to do so.

All trustees serve for a three-year period and may be re-elected.

Trustee Induction and Training

Most trustees are already familiar with our charity's work through their activities as pedigree pig farmers.

Our charity regularly organises training workshops, inward mission to the United Kingdom from overseas pedigree pig farmers and outward missions to learn and exchange expertise with overseas pedigree pig farmers.

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Risk Management

The executive committee has conducted its own review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed and systems have been established to mitigate those risks. Significant external risks to funding have led to the development of regular appraisals of plans, which would allow for the diversification of resources.

Internal risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for authorisation of transactions and projects. All projects and procedures are regularly reviewed for compliance with our objectives.

The trustees continue to monitor covid-19 pandemic risk and have implemented measures to overcome short-term problems that may arise due to the continued presence of corona virus pandemic.

Organisational Structure

There is one full time chief executive who manages the day-to-day administration of the charity, and organises fundraising initiatives. The remaining staff members are deployed to assist with fundraising and administration. The trustees volunteer their services to the company.

Our charity has several committees that meet regularly to review the achievement of our aims. There are separate committees that manage shows and events, pedigree pork schemes, regional issues, conservation, herd inspections, and breed enhancement and protection projects. The Board of trustees and the executive committee meet at least once a year to review progress and assess achievement of our aims.

**Trustees' responsibilities**

Company and Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the financial activities of the charity and of its financial position at the end of that year. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees have:

- (a) selected suitable accounting policies and then applied them consistently;
- (b) made judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- (c) stated whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departure disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- (d) prepared the financial statements on the going concern basis.

Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company) are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report, keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements

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comply with the Companies Act 2006 and Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102). They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

**Reporting accountants and independent examiner**

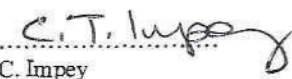
We, the directors of the company who held office at the date of approval of these Financial Statements as set out above each confirm, so far as we are aware, that:

- there is no information of which the company's independent examiner is unaware, and
- we have taken all the steps that we ought to have taken as directors in order to make ourselves aware of any relevant information and to establish that the company's independent examiner is aware of that information.

**Approval**

The board of directors and trustees approved this report on the 19th September 2023 and signed on its behalf.

On behalf of the board

  
C. Impey  
Chair Person and Trustee

19th September 2023



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**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER**

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The British Pig Association**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2022 which are set out on pages 12 to 26.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees of the Company and also its directors for the purposes of company law you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

Since the Company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW), which is one of the listed bodies.

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:

1. accounting records were not been kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
  2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
  3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
  4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).
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REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

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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Chartered accountants

The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW)

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19th September 2023

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**(INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2022**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted income funds £	Total funds 2022 £	Total funds 2021 £
<b>Incoming resources</b>					
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	(2)	39,858	-	39,858	41,132
Charitable activities	(3)	196,747	-	196,747	187,109
Other income	(4)	5,000	-	5,000	11,535
Investments	(5)	23,239	9	23,248	19,012
<b>Total income and endowments</b>		<b>264,844</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>264,853</b>	<b>258,788</b>
<b>Resources expended</b>					
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	(6)	31,912	-	31,912	31,067
Charitable activities	(7)	174,066	-	174,066	111,088
Governance and support	(8)	140,668	-	140,668	129,769
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<b>346,646</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>346,646</b>	<b>271,924</b>
<u>Net income/(expenditure) before investment gains</u>	(9)	<u>(81,802)</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>(81,793)</u>	<u>(13,136)</u>
Other recognised gains/(losses):					
Gains on sale of charity's					
Investments	(10)	4,368	-	4,368	-
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of charity's investments	(10)	(65,527)	-	(65,527)	30,296
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>(142,961)</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>(142,952)</b>	<b>17,160</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>					
Total funds at 1st January 2022		603,158	4,692	607,850	590,690
Total funds at 31st December 2022		<u>460,197</u>	<u>4,701</u>	<u>464,898</u>	<u>607,850</u>

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 16 to 27 form part of these financial statements.

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**BALANCE SHEET**

**AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2022**

	<u>Note</u>	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>	<u>Restricted income funds</u>	<u>Total funds 2022</u>	<u>Prior year funds 2021</u>
		£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Intangible assets	(13)	2,917	-	2,917	7,557
Tangible assets	(14)	1,156	-	1,156	1,540
Investments	(15)	491,288	-	491,288	597,447
<b>Total fixed assets</b>		<u>495,361</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>495,361</u>	<u>606,544</u>
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	(16)	68,702	-	68,702	30,785
Cash at bank and in hand		1,893	4,701	6,594	37,964
<b>Total current assets</b>		<u>70,595</u>	<u>4,701</u>	<u>75,296</u>	<u>68,749</u>
<b>Creditors:</b>					
Amounts falling due within one year	(17)	105,759	-	105,759	67,443
<b>Net current assets/(liabilities)</b>		<u>(35,164)</u>	<u>4,701</u>	<u>(30,463)</u>	<u>1,306</u>
<b>Total assets</b>		<u>460,197</u>	<u>4,701</u>	<u>464,898</u>	<u>607,850</u>
<b>Charity Funds</b>					
Restricted income funds	(18)	-	4,701	4,701	4,692
Unrestricted funds	(19)	460,197	-	460,197	603,158
<b>Total charity funds</b>		<u>460,197</u>	<u>4,701</u>	<u>464,898</u>	<u>607,850</u>

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2022

The trustees have prepared these accounts in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 and of the Charities Act 2011.

The charitable Company is entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31st December 2022.

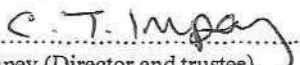
The members have not deposited notice pursuant to section 476 of the Companies Act 2006 requiring an audit of these financial statements.


The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- (a) ensuring that the charitable Company keeps accounting records that comply with sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006; and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable Company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements so far as applicable to the charitable Company.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board on 19th September 2023.

Signed on behalf of the board of trustees:

  
.....  
C. Impey (Director and trustee)

  
.....  
Mrs C Coe (Director and trustee)

The notes on pages 15 to 26 form part of these financial statements.

Company registration number: 00022088

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2022

**1. Summary of significant accounting policies**

The significant accounting policies applied for the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

**1.1 General information and basis of preparation**

The British Pig association is a company limited by guarantee in England & Wales. In the event of the charity being wound up, the liability of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the charity. The registered address of the charity is given on page 1 of these financial statements.

The nature of the charity's operations and principal activities are that of the advancement of pedigree breeding, conservation and pedigree pig recordings.

The British Pig Association meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity.

**1.2 Funds**

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The cost of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific funds. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

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**1.3 Income recognition**

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity is legally entitled to the income after the performance conditions have been met, the amount can be measured reliably and it is probable that the income will be received.

For donations to be recognised the charity will have been notified of the amounts and the settlement date in writing.

Donated facilities are recognised in income at their fair value when their economic benefit is probable, it can be measured and the charity has control over them. Fair value is determined on the basis of the value of the gift to the charity. No amount is included in the financial statements for volunteer time in line with the SORP, FRS102 and Companies Act 2006.

Fixed asset gifts in kind are recognised when receivable and are included at their fair value. They are not deferred over the life of the asset.

For legacies, entitlement is the earlier of the charity being notified of an impending distribution or the legacy being received. At this point income is recognised.

Income from membership activities and services and fundraising events to raise funds for the charity, is recognised when goods or services are provided.

The charity receives government grants for organising trade shows for promotion of pedigree pig farming and livestock genetics work. Income from government and other grants are recognised at their fair value when the charity has entitlement after any performance conditions have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the income can be measured reliably. If entitlement is not met then these amounts are deferred.

Investment income is earned through holding assets for investment purposes such as shares. It includes dividends and interest. Investment management costs incurred are recognised as governance costs. Dividend and interest income is recognised as the charity's right to receive payment is established.

Other income is recognised as the charity's right to receive payment is established.

**1.4 Expenditure recognition**

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. It is categorised under the following headings:

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**1.4 Expenditure recognition - Continued**

- Costs of raising funds
- Expenditure on charitable activities
- Other expenditure including irrecoverable VAT, governance and support costs

**1.5 Support costs allocation**

Support costs are those that assist the work of the charity but do not directly represent charitable activities and include office costs, governance costs, administrative payroll costs. They are incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the charity. Support payroll costs are allocated between administrative, raising funds and charitable activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources.

The analysis of these costs is included in note 8.

**1.6 Intangible assets**

Intangible assets are amortised on a straight-line basis over their useful lives at the following rates:

- Computer software and website – 15% per annum straight line
- Computer software and website cost since 01/01/2020 – 33.33% per annum straight line

Provision is made for any impairment.

**1.7 Tangible fixed assets**

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost or valuation. Cost includes costs directly attributable to making the asset capable of operating as intended.

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets, at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset over its expected useful life as follows:

Furniture, fittings and equipment - 25% reducing balance method

**1.8 Heritage conservation costs**

Heritage expenditure comprise frozen semen bank of rare pedigree pigs that is donated by pedigree pig farmers and purchased by the charitable company. Expenditure includes storage costs of the semen bank. The company receives grant to fund part of the cost for conservation.

Expenditure for conservation in the current year is charged as expenditure on charitable activities.

The company also supports its pedigree farmers by providing support grants for conservation.

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**1.9 Investments**

Investments are recognised initially at fair value which is normally the transaction price excluding transaction costs. Subsequently, they are measured at fair value with changes recognised in 'net gains/(losses) on investments' in SoFA if shares are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably.

**1.10 Impairment**

Assets not measured at fair value are reviewed for any indication that the asset may be impaired at each balance sheet date. If such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, or the asset's cash generating unit, is estimated and compared to the carrying amount. Where the carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount, an impairment loss is recognised in profit and loss unless the asset is carried at a re-valued amount where the impairment loss is a revaluation decrease.

**1.11 Provisions**

Provisions are recognised when the charity has an obligation at the balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of economic benefit will be required in settlement and the amount can be reliably estimated.

**1.12 Leases**

Assets acquired under finance leases are capitalised and depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and the expected useful life of the asset. Lease payments are apportioned between the finance charges and the reduction of the outstanding lease liability using the effective interest method. The related obligations, net of future finance charges, are included in creditors.

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to the SoFA on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

**1.13 Foreign currency**

Foreign currency transactions are initially recognised by applying to the foreign currency amount at the spot exchange rate between the functional currency and the foreign currency at the date of the transaction.

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in a foreign currency at the balance sheet are translated using the closing rate.

**1.14 Employee benefits**

When employees have rendered service to the charity, short-term employee benefits to which the employees are entitled are recognised at the undiscounted amount to be paid in exchange for that service.

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**1.14 Employee benefits - Continued**

The charity operates workplace money purchased pension contribution plan for all eligible employees. Contributions payable by the charity are expensed as they become payable.

**1.15 Tax**

The charity is an exempt charity within the meaning of schedule 3 of the Charities Act 2011 and is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 Finance Act 2010 and therefore meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes.

**1.16 Government and other grants**

Government and other grants are recognised using the performance model.

Under the performance model, where the grant does not impose specified future performance-related conditions on the recipient, it is recognised in income when the grant proceeds are received or receivable. When the grant does impose specified future performance-related conditions on the recipient, it is recognised in income only when the performance-related conditions have been met. Where grants received are prior to satisfying the revenue recognition criteria, they are recognised as a liability.

**1.17 Going concern**

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the trustees believe that no material uncertainties have been identified that may cast significant doubt about the ability of the charitable company to continue as a going concern. The trustees have considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for 12 months from authorising these financial statements. The budgeted income and expenditure is sufficient with the level of reserves of the charity to be able to continue as a going concern.

**1.18 Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty**

No changes to accounting estimates have occurred in the reporting period.

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**2. Income from donations and legacies**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted income funds	Total funds 2022	Prior year funds 2021
	£	£	£	£
<b>Donations:</b>				
Donations and gifts	3,108	-	3,108	601
Gift aid	36,750	-	36,750	40,531
<b>Total</b>	39,858	-	39,858	41,132

**3. Income from charitable activities**

Membership subscriptions	32,869	-	32,869	32,099
Fees from breed society	20,158	-	20,158	20,342
Grants for trade shows and genetics work	59,300	-	59,300	49,850
Grants for rare breeds conservation	7,200	-	7,200	14,400
Other income from trade shows and supporting activities	77,220	-	77,220	70,418
<b>Total</b>	196,747	-	196,747	187,109

Other information:

There were no unfulfilled conditions and other contingencies attaching to sponsorships and grants for activities.

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted income funds	Total funds 2022	Prior year funds 2021
	£	£	£	£
<b>4. Income from other activities</b>				
H M Revenue & Customs:				
Employment allowance	5,000	-	5,000	4,000
Job retention scheme	-	-	-	7,535
<b>Total</b>	5,000	-	5,000	11,535

**5. Income from investments**

Interest income	45	9	54	26
Dividend income	23,194	-	23,194	18,986
<b>Total</b>	23,239	9	23,248	19,012

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	Unrestricted <u>Funds</u>	Restricted <u>income funds</u>	Total <u>funds</u> <u>2022</u>	Prior year <u>funds</u> <u>2021</u>
	£	£	£	£
<b>6. Analysis of expenditure on raising funds</b>				
Staff support costs apportioned:				
Seeking donations	7,500	-	7,500	6,400
Advertising and marketing	480	-	480	1,258
Publication of Practical Pig News	18,700	-	18,700	18,700
Subscriptions and donations	3,882	-	3,882	3,274
Investment management costs	1,350	-	1,350	1,435
<b>Total</b>	<u>31,912</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>31,912</u>	<u>31,067</u>
<b>7. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities</b>				
Staff support costs apportioned:				
-Operating membership schemes	34,824	-	34,824	24,523
- Management of UK shows and events	1,800	-	1,800	1,500
- Management of overseas exhibitions	<u>24,139</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>24,139</u>	<u>21,750</u>
Total staff costs	60,763	-	60,763	47,773
UK shows and events costs	5,216	-	5,216	1,861
Overseas exhibitions and events costs	77,753	-	77,753	37,406
Travel costs to promote overseas events	7,234	-	7,234	2,684
Conservation of traditional breeds	22,533	-	22,533	17,655
Conservation grants	217	-	217	1,250
Projects consultancy	-	-	-	2,109
BLUP benchmarking royalties	350	-	350	350
<b>Total</b>	<u>174,066</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>174,066</u>	<u>111,088</u>
<b>8. Analysis of Governance and support costs</b>				
Establishment	17,683	-	17,683	18,379
Staff costs apportioned: - Administrative	35,200	-	35,200	38,121
Other operating costs	81,711	-	81,711	67,150
Amortisation of intangible fixed assets	5,690	-	5,690	5,606
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	384	-	384	513
<b>Total</b>	<u>140,668</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>140,668</u>	<u>129,769</u>

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	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
	£	£
<b>9. Net income before investment gains/(losses) and after charging:</b>		
Auditors' remuneration:		
- Audit fees	-	4,950
- Other services	7,746	5,258
Operating lease rentals	27,975	25,821
Amortisation of owned intangible fixed assets	5,690	5,606
Depreciation of owned tangible fixed assets	384	513
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
<b>10. Gains and losses on sale and revaluation of charity's investments:</b>		
Realised gains on sale	4,368	-
Unrealised gains/(losses) on revaluation	(65,527)	30,296
	<u>(61,159)</u>	<u>30,296</u>

**11. Trustees' remuneration and expenses**

The trustees neither received nor waived any remuneration during the year (2021: Nil)

There were 3 (2021:3) trustees that had expenses reimbursed. Total expenses reimbursed for attending meetings and other meeting costs during the year was £866 (2021: £1,529).

<b>12. Staff costs and employee benefits</b>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
	£	£
Salaries and wages	92,060	82,007
Social security costs	9,390	8,388
Statutory pension costs	2,013	1,899
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>103,463</b>	<b>92,294</b>
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Staff costs apportionment based on activities during the year:		
- Seeking donations	7,500	6,400
- Operating membership schemes	34,824	24,523
- Management of UK shows and events	1,800	1,500
- Management of overseas exhibitions and events	24,139	21,750
- Governance costs	35,200	38,121
	<u>103,463</u>	<u>92,294</u>

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**12. Staff costs and employee benefits - Continued**

There were no employees who received total employee benefits of more than £60,000. The average number of persons employed by the charity during the year was 4 (2021: 4).

**13. Intangible fixed assets**

	Computer software	Total
<u>Cost</u>	£	£
At 01.01.2022	78,127	78,127
Additions	<u>1,050</u>	<u>1,050</u>
At 31.12.2022	<u>79,177</u>	<u>79,177</u>
<u>Amortisation</u>		
At 01.01.2022	70,570	70,570
Charge for the year	<u>5,690</u>	<u>5,690</u>
At 31.12.2022	<u>76,260</u>	<u>76,260</u>
<u>Net Book Value</u>		
At 31.12.2022	2,917	2,917
	=====	=====
At 31.12.2021	7,557	7,557
	=====	=====

**14. Tangible fixed assets**

	Equipment, Fixtures & fittings	Total
<u>Cost</u>	£	£
At 01.01.2022		
and		
At 31.12.2022	<u>7,008</u>	<u>7,008</u>
<u>Depreciation</u>		
At 01.01.2022	5,468	5,468
Charge for the year	<u>384</u>	<u>384</u>
At 31.12.2022	<u>5,852</u>	<u>5,852</u>
<u>Net Book Value</u>		
At 31.12.2022	1,156	1,156
	=====	=====
At 31.12.2021	1,540	1,540
	=====	=====



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	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
	£	£
<b>15. Fixed asset investment</b>		
<b>Listed investments: U.K.</b>		
Carrying fair value at beginning of year	597,447	469,353
Additions/(disposals)	(40,631)	97,798
Net gain/(loss) on revaluation	<u>(65,528)</u>	<u>30,296</u>
Carrying fair value at end of year	<u>491,288</u>	<u>597,447</u>

The fair value of listed investments is determined by reference to the quoted price for the shares on the London Stock Exchange. Historic cost of listed investments on 31st December 2022 was £455,023 (2021: £495,654).

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
	£	£
<b>16. Debtors</b>		
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade debtors	53,950	12,597
Prepayments and other debtors	14,752	18,188
	<u>68,702</u>	<u>30,785</u>

<b>17. Creditors</b>		
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade creditors	78,471	50,292
Accruals	23,095	13,660
Taxation and social security	4,193	3,491
	<u>105,759</u>	<u>67,443</u>

<b>18. Charity funds</b>		
<b>Restricted income funds available for specific projects:</b>		
Geoffrey Cloke Memorial Fund	3,181	3,172
Large White Breeders' Memorial Fund	1,207	1,207
Irish Members' Committee Fund	313	313
<b>At end of the year</b>	<u>4,701</u>	<u>4,692</u>

The committee that has control of the fund governs the aim and use of each restricted fund.

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**19. Financial commitments**

Operating leases:

Contractual commitments for the acquisition of intangible and tangible fixed assets contracted for but not provided in the financial statements amounted to £36,984 (2021: £41,070).

Contractual commitments are analysed by year of payment, as follows:

Due within one year £18,623 (2021: £17,265)

Due in the second to fifth year £18,361 (2021: £23,805)

**20. Related party transactions with trustees and members**

Trustees' remuneration and meeting expenses:

The trustees are entitled to claim expenses incurred wholly and exclusively in attending meetings organised by the charity. No remuneration was paid to trustees in the year.

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
	£	£
Travel, subsistence and accommodation	866	1,529
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

Related party transactions with trustees

The charitable company entered into transactions with one trustee in the normal course of business activities during the year. Business services and products were acquired from this trustee on normal commercial terms resulting in no financial or privileged terms at a cost of £18,494 (2021: £10,040).

Services are provided to all trustees, members and non-members on same commercial terms resulting in no financial or privileged terms. Sources of income include annual amount for subscriptions, registration fees for pedigree birth notifications, herd book entries and registered pedigree pig transfers. Total income from trustees was £500 (2021: £658).

Related party transactions- Other

The chief executive, who is not a trustee, acts as a director of a connected company, Export Certification Limited to represent the interests of the charity's members. The chief executive has no financial interest in this company and does not personally receive any remuneration or benefits from this source.

For the year ended 31 December 2022, the charity received income of £28,935 (2021: £31,849) for services provided to the related company. Export certification Limited owed £3,979 (2021: Nil) to the company at the year-end.

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**21. Non-adjusting events after the end of the period**

Review of our fixed asset investments since the end of the period

Our investment manager has valued our fixed asset investments more recently on 30th June 2023 at £485,561.

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