

Northern Ireland Battery Hen Rescue

Northern Ireland · Charity number 104929

Details

Status	Received
Company number	611869
Registered	2016-05-16
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Activities

Purposes: (i) To rescue battery and other hens from egg producing farms when the farms are depopulating and to find them homes where they can live a natural free range life (ii) To arrange veterinary treatment for any hens; and (iii) to look after and care for hens who are no rehomed in accordance with (i) above on a temporary or permanent basis.

What the charity does: The advancement of animal welfare

How the charity works: Advice/advocacy/information, Animal welfare, Community development, Community enterprise, Education/training

Who the charity helps: General public, Volunteers

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£43,478	£35,187	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Barbara Mama-Hen Mladek		
Miss Patricia Harbinson		

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Accounts

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Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025
for
Northern Ireland Battery Hen Rescue

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for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

Our main aims and objectives, as set out in our governing documents, the Memorandum and Articles of Association

- To rescue battery and other hens from egg producing farms when the farms are depopulating and to find them homes where they can live a natural free range life
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Our aim is to educate the public on where their food comes from, allowing them to see the results of factory farming on the hens so that they can make an informed choice about what they choose to eat. To educate the public on how the welfare of animals is badly affected in an intensive farming situation and to show them the benefits to health, both mental and physical, that keeping a few hens as pets can provide.

Significant activities

During the 2024/2025 we had a rollercoaster of a year. The year commenced as we expected with rescues and rehoming's as usual. The summer months gave us the opportunity to continue with the finishing touches of the perimeter fence, raising it to eight feet to deter foxes. Our sick bay area had to be moved out of our portacabin and into our barn due to an issue with rats. However that is fully under control and between boxes and our feral cat community the situation is under control, however a lot of damage was done to the walls of the portacabin.

Our new drainage is working well in those areas, and we hope to continue to raise funds to get the remainder of the branches of drainage throughout the rescue centres we improve and rebuild areas.

Due to Avian flu situation in NI we took the decision to separate our poultry from our ducks and geese. Our poultry are now housed in what was our "rescue area" whilst the ducks and geese reside in the long dog run with stables at the back.

An horrendous incident in Moy in September where a lorry carrying approximately 16,000 hens, and taking them to be slaughtered, caught fire. The driver was unable to remove the side curtains and release the birds and the majority of them were burnt to death. However, some managed to leap from the lorry as their crates melted in the fire.

we spent 6 days scouring the surrounding area for any that escaped and found a total of 46, of which 12 had to be humanely euthanized as their injuries were too far gone. The remaining 34 came back to the nut house to receive intensive care for their injuries and their burns. WE asked the public for their help with funding the vet fees and the cost of all their treatments. Their response was amazing and we raised just over £15K. This allowed us to plan for a more suitable sick bay that would be rat proof. WE managed to secure a 20ft container and were planning on getting all the works done to open "Bessies Barn" in memory of the hens that perish daily for cheap eggs.

As 2025 commenced we were looking forward to all that needed done when I took majorly ill and had a life saving and life changing operation in January. This caused all our plans to be put on hold whilst I went through recovery.

Our aims for 2025/26

- >To get back on track completing Bessies Barn and offering health clinics where I can assess peoples hens before they take ill, or at the start of any issues.
- >To redo our hen compound with a concrete base and secure run
- >To extend the drainage up to the new hens area
- >Build an area for holiday coops

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Trustees

The trustees who served the charity during the period were as follows:

Ms Barbara Mladek

Ms Patricia Harbinson

Mrs Tracy Middleditch (appointed 3 Sept 2024) (resigned 22 Oct 2025)

Independent Examiner

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

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Barbara Mladek - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
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I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on pages four to ten.

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees (and also the 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.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 65 of the Charities Act
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under Section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the independent examiner's report

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4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

Seamus McLernon

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Date:

Northern Ireland Battery Hen Rescue

**Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31/3/25 Total funds £	31/3/24 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		43,477	-	43,477	23,935
Investment income	2	<u>1</u>	-	<u>1</u>	-
Total		<u>43,478</u>	-	<u>43,478</u>	<u>23,935</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		21,244	-	21,244	14,284
Charitable activities					
General		<u>13,943</u>	-	<u>13,943</u>	<u>9,262</u>
Total		<u>35,187</u>	-	<u>35,187</u>	<u>23,546</u>
NET INCOME		8,291	-	8,291	389
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		<u>(3,879)</u>	-	<u>(3,879)</u>	<u>(4,268)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>4,412</u></u>	-	<u><u>4,412</u></u>	<u><u>(3,879)</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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**Balance Sheet
31 March 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31/3/25 Total funds £	31/3/24 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	6	5,756	-	5,756	1,161
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank and in hand		1,535	-	1,535	1,231
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	7	(2,879)	-	(2,879)	(6,271)
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)		<u>(1,344)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,344)</u>	<u>(5,040)</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		4,412	-	4,412	(3,879)
NET ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)		<u>4,412</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,412</u>	<u>(3,879)</u>
FUNDS					
Unrestricted funds	9			4,412	(3,879)
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>4,412</u>	<u>(3,879)</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

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 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on and were signed on its behalf by:

.....
Barbara Mladek - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

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

Plant and machinery	- 15% on cost
Van	- 20% on cost

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31/3/25	31/3/24
	£	£
Interest receivable - trading	<u>1</u>	<u>-</u>

3. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	31/3/25	31/3/24
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	<u>827</u>	<u>2,205</u>

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.

5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	<u>23,935</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>23,935</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	14,284	-	14,284
Charitable activities			
General	<u>9,262</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,262</u>
Total	<u>23,546</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>23,546</u>
NET INCOME	389	-	389
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	(4,268)	-	(4,268)
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>(3,879)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(3,879)</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Plant and machinery £	Fixtures and fittings £	Van £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 April 2024	2,773	-	9,150	11,923
Additions	-	5,422	-	5,422
	<u>2,773</u>	<u>5,422</u>	<u>9,150</u>	<u>17,345</u>
At 31 March 2025	<u>2,773</u>	<u>5,422</u>	<u>9,150</u>	<u>17,345</u>
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2024	1,612	-	9,150	10,762
Charge for year	375	452	-	827
	<u>1,987</u>	<u>452</u>	<u>9,150</u>	<u>11,589</u>
At 31 March 2025	<u>1,987</u>	<u>452</u>	<u>9,150</u>	<u>11,589</u>
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2025	<u>786</u>	<u>4,970</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,756</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>1,161</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,161</u>

7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31/3/25 £	31/3/24 £
Bank loans and overdrafts (see note 8)	82	173
Other creditors	1,251	4,608
Accruals and deferred income	1,546	1,490
	<u>2,879</u>	<u>6,271</u>

8. LOANS

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	31/3/25 £	31/3/24 £
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Bank overdrafts	<u>82</u>	<u>173</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/4/24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/3/25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	(3,879)	8,291	4,412
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>(3,879)</u>	<u>8,291</u>	<u>4,412</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	43,478	(35,187)	8,291
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>43,478</u>	<u>(35,187)</u>	<u>8,291</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/4/23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/3/24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	(4,268)	389	(3,879)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>(4,268)</u>	<u>389</u>	<u>(3,879)</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	23,935	(23,546)	389
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>23,935</u>	<u>(23,546)</u>	<u>389</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/4/23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/3/25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	(4,268)	8,680	4,412
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>(4,268)</u>	<u>8,680</u>	<u>4,412</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	67,413	(58,733)	8,680
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>67,413</u>	<u>(58,733)</u>	<u>8,680</u>

10. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The Other Creditors figure of £1,251 (2024:£4,608) represents a loan from Barbara Mladek, a director/trustee of the company.

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**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

	31/3/25	31/3/24
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	43,477	23,935
Investment income		
Interest receivable - trading	1	-
Total incoming resources	43,478	23,935
EXPENDITURE		
Other trading activities		
Purchases	4,505	725
Feed	10,694	11,651
Bedding	616	435
Vet expenses	5,429	900
Equipment	-	573
	<u>21,244</u>	<u>14,284</u>
Charitable activities		
Telephone	318	-
Support costs		
Management		
Rates and water	1,303	76
Insurance	782	1,507
Motor expenses	3,758	3,409
Repairs and maintenance	5,259	350
Postage and stationery	47	211
Sundries	1	287
Subscriptions	462	181
No description	97	-
	<u>11,709</u>	<u>6,021</u>
Finance		
Bank charges	260	255
Plant and machinery	375	375
Fixtures and fittings	452	-
Motor vehicles	-	1,830
	<u>1,087</u>	<u>2,460</u>
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	829	781

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Northern Ireland Battery Hen Rescue

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Significant activities

During the 2023/2024 year we continued to finish renovations to the rescue centre areas and to the perimeter fence. Our facility to have a specific area, albeit small, to take in hens and roosters to an area that they can be isolated for 28 days from the remainder of the hens has been invaluable and has been an important improvement for us in light of the ongoing outbreaks of Avian Flu and the number of roosters being dumped is increasing. However, this area is not the most suitable as we are having rodent issues. We need to look at moving the A&E area to a secure location which Rats and mice can't access.

We have had some negative feedback on the insistence of a flock licence before rehoming from us, but we have stuck to our guns and gradually people are accepting and understanding the importance of it in helping to prevent Avian Flu from spreading due to unlicensed hen owners.

With the completion of the first stage of our drainage a few years ago we have noticed that with the increasing rainfall each year, it's not draining as much as we would like. The surrounding water table is high most of the time and not getting a chance to drain away. The improvements in the grazing areas have held their own so far with the ducks being able to graze as well as rest on the grass. The ducks have been slow to rehome but we are sticking with it and hope to get duck numbers down soon...

We continued to move forward and secure more regular donations from our followers. We have found that Amazon, Ebay and Facebook have allowed us to raise funds more easily for specific projects.

Plans for 2024-2025

1. To raise funds to complete the perimeter fence, raising it to 8ft all round
2. Complete second part of drainage
3. Find a volunteer to help with arranging the fund raising and set up a committee under the watch of Patricia
4. We anticipate 2024/25 to be the organising more structure, so that Barbara doesn't get landed with everything
5. We will bring on Tracy Middleditch as a director also and her knowledge and her strength and abilities for dealing with poultry will be much welcomed

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Basis of the independent examiner's report

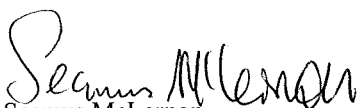
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I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.


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Date:28th February 2025.....

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

**Statement of Financial Activities
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31/3/24 Total funds £	31/3/23 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		23,935	-	23,935	28,021
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		14,284	-	14,284	22,190
Charitable activities					
General		9,262	-	9,262	12,520
Total		23,546	-	23,546	34,710
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		389	-	389	(6,689)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		(4,268)	-	(4,268)	2,421
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		(3,879)	-	(3,879)	(4,268)

The notes form part of these financial statements

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

Balance Sheet
31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31/3/24 Total funds £	31/3/23 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	5	1,161	-	1,161	3,366
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank and in hand		1,231	-	1,231	1,362
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	6	(6,271)	-	(6,271)	(8,996)
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)		<u>(5,040)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(5,040)</u>	<u>(7,634)</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>(3,879)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(3,879)</u>	<u>(4,268)</u>
NET ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)		<u>(3,879)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(3,879)</u>	<u>(4,268)</u>
FUNDS					
Unrestricted funds	8			<u>(3,879)</u>	<u>(4,268)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>(3,879)</u>	<u>(4,268)</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2024.

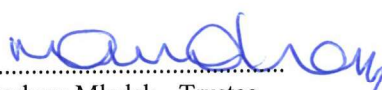
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- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 29/3/24 and were signed on its behalf by:


Barbara Mladek - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

Notes to the Financial Statements FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

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All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

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Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

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

Plant and machinery	- 15% on cost
Van	- 20% on cost

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	31/3/24	31/3/23
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	<u>2,205</u>	<u>2,205</u>

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

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

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2024 nor for the year ended 31 March 2023.

4. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	28,021	-	28,021
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	22,190	-	22,190
Charitable activities			
General	12,520	-	12,520
Total	<u>34,710</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>34,710</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(6,689)	-	(6,689)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	2,421	-	2,421
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>(4,268)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(4,268)</u>

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Plant and machinery £	Van £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2023 and 31 March 2024	2,773	9,150	11,923
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2023	1,237	7,320	8,557
Charge for year	375	1,830	2,205
At 31 March 2024	<u>1,612</u>	<u>9,150</u>	<u>10,762</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2024	<u>1,161</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,161</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>1,536</u>	<u>1,830</u>	<u>3,366</u>

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31/3/24	31/3/23
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts (see note 7)	173	246
Trade creditors	-	269
Other creditors	4,608	7,028
Accruals and deferred income	1,490	1,453
	<u>6,271</u>	<u>8,996</u>

7. LOANS

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	31/3/24	31/3/23
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Bank overdrafts	<u>173</u>	<u>246</u>

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/4/23	Net movement in funds	At 31/3/24
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	(4,268)	389	(3,879)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>(4,268)</u>	<u>389</u>	<u>(3,879)</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	23,935	(23,546)	389
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>23,935</u>	<u>(23,546)</u>	<u>389</u>

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/4/22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/3/23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	2,421	(6,689)	(4,268)
	<u>2,421</u>	<u>(6,689)</u>	<u>(4,268)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,421</u>	<u>(6,689)</u>	<u>(4,268)</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	28,021	(34,710)	(6,689)
	<u>28,021</u>	<u>(34,710)</u>	<u>(6,689)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>28,021</u>	<u>(34,710)</u>	<u>(6,689)</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/4/22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/3/24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	2,421	(6,300)	(3,879)
	<u>2,421</u>	<u>(6,300)</u>	<u>(3,879)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,421</u>	<u>(6,300)</u>	<u>(3,879)</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	51,956	(58,256)	(6,300)
	<u>51,956</u>	<u>(58,256)</u>	<u>(6,300)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>51,956</u>	<u>(58,256)</u>	<u>(6,300)</u>

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

9. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The Other Creditors figure of £4,608 (2023:£7,028) represents a loan from Barbara Mladek, a director/trustee of the company.

Northern Ireland Battery Hen Rescue

Northern Ireland - Charity number 104929

Annual report

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: NI611869 (Northern Ireland)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: NIC104929

**Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024
for
NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE**

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NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

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NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

Report of the Trustees FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

Our main aims and objectives, as set out in our governing documents, the Memorandum and Articles of Association:

- To rescue battery and other hens from egg producing farms when the farms are depopulating and to find them homes where they can live a natural free range life
- To arrange veterinary treatment for any hens: and
- To look after and care for hens who are not rehomed in accordance with the point above on a temporary or permanent basis

Our aim is to educate the public on where their food comes from, allowing them to see the results of factory farming on the hens so that they can make an informed choice about what they choose to eat. To educate the public on how the welfare of animals is badly affected in an intensive farming situation and to show them the benefits to health, both mental and physical, that keeping a few hens as pets can provide.

Significant activities

During the 2023/2024 year we continued to finish renovations to the rescue centre areas and to the perimeter fence. Our facility to have a specific area, albeit small, to take in hens and roosters to an area that they can be isolated for 28 days from the remainder of the hens has been invaluable and has been an important improvement for us in light of the ongoing outbreaks of Avian Flu and the number of roosters being dumped is increasing. However, this area is not the most suitable as we are having rodent issues. We need to look at moving the A&E area to a secure location which Rats and mice can't access.

We have had some negative feedback on the insistence of a flock licence before rehoming from us, but we have stuck to our guns and gradually people are accepting and understanding the importance of it in helping to prevent Avian Flu from spreading due to unlicensed hen owners.

With the completion of the first stage of our drainage a few years ago we have noticed that with the increasing rainfall each year, it's not draining as much as we would like. The surrounding water table is high most of the time and not getting a chance to drain away. The improvements in the grazing areas have held their own so far with the ducks being able to graze as well as rest on the grass. The ducks have been slow to rehome but we are sticking with it and hope to get duck numbers down soon...

We continued to move forward and secure more regular donations from our followers. We have found that Amazon, Ebay and Facebook have allowed us to raise funds more easily for specific projects.

Plans for 2024-2025

1. To raise funds to complete the perimeter fence, raising it to 8ft all round
2. Complete second part of drainage
3. Find a volunteer to help with arranging the fund raising and set up a committee under the watch of Patricia
4. We anticipate 2024/25 to be the organising more structure, so that Barbara doesn't get landed with everything
5. We will bring on Tracy Middleditch as a director also and her knowledge and her strength and abilities for dealing with poultry will be much welcomed

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

**Report of the Trustees
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

Northern Ireland Battery Hen Rescue (a company limited by guarantee) is a charitable company governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

NI611869 (Northern Ireland)

Registered Charity number

NIC104929

Registered office

The Nut House
16 Nut Hill Road
Moirá
BT67 0PH

Trustees

The trustees who served the charity during the period were as follows:

Ms Barbara Mladek
Ms Patricia Harbinson

Independent Examiner

M.B.McGrady & Co
Chartered Accountants
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 29/2/25..... and signed on its behalf by:



.....
Barbara Mladek - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Northern Ireland Battery Hen Rescue**

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2024, which are set out on pages four to ten.

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees (and also the 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.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 65 of the Charities Act
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under Section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the independent examiner's report

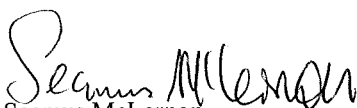
I have examined your charity accounts as required under Section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under Section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act. The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with Section 386 of the Companies Act 2006
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NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

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Total		<u>23,546</u>	-	<u>23,546</u>	<u>34,710</u>
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NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

Balance Sheet
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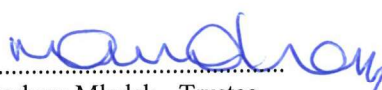
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2. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	31/3/24	31/3/23
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	<u>2,205</u>	<u>2,205</u>

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

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NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>(4,268)</u>	<u>389</u>	<u>(3,879)</u>

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	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
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NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/4/22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/3/23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	2,421	(6,689)	(4,268)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,421</u>	<u>(6,689)</u>	<u>(4,268)</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	28,021	(34,710)	(6,689)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>28,021</u>	<u>(34,710)</u>	<u>(6,689)</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/4/22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/3/24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	2,421	(6,300)	(3,879)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,421</u>	<u>(6,300)</u>	<u>(3,879)</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	51,956	(58,256)	(6,300)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>51,956</u>	<u>(58,256)</u>	<u>(6,300)</u>

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

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9. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The Other Creditors figure of £4,608 (2023:£7,028) represents a loan from Barbara Mladek, a director/trustee of the company.

Northern Ireland Battery Hen Rescue

Northern Ireland - Charity number 104929

Annual return

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: NI611869 (Northern Ireland)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 104929

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021
FOR
NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE**

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NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

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NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2021. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

Our main aims and objectives, as set out in our governing documents, the Memorandum and Articles of Association are:

- o To rescue battery and other hens from egg producing farms when the farms are depopulating and to find them homes where they can live a natural free range life
- o To arrange veterinary treatment for any hens: and
- o To look after and care for hens who are not rehomed in accordance with the point above on a temporary or permanent basis

Our aim is to educate the public on where their food comes from, allowing them to see the results of factory farming on the hens so that they can make an informed choice about what they choose to eat. To educate the public on how the welfare of animals is badly affected in an intensive farming situation and to show them the benefits to health, both mental and physical, that keeping a few hens as pets can provide.

Significant activities

During the 2020/2021 year we continued to finish renovations to the rescue centre areas and to the perimeter fence. Our facility to have a specific area, albeit small, to take in hens and roosters to an area that they can be isolated for 28 days from the remainder of the hens has been invaluable, and has been an important improvement for us in light of the ongoing outbreaks of Avian Flu and the number of roosters being dumped is increasing.

We have had some negative feedback on the insistence of a flock licence before rehoming from us, but we have stuck to our guns and gradually people are accepting and understanding the importance of it in helping to prevent Avian Flu from spreading due to unlicensed hen owners.

With the completion of the first stage of our drainage last year, we are still raising funds to complete phase 2. With phase 1 completed we have seen a remarkable improvement in the grazing areas and even though we had a terrible winter, we have managed to maintain the grass area at the back for the hens. The area remains closed to the waterfowl during winter as they churn up the mud with their wet feet. But on dry days we allow them short periods to graze.

We now have a portacabin as a designated office and A&E. It's also being used as a quarantine area for some of the incoming roosters.

We continued to move forward and secure more regular donations from our followers. We have found that Amazon, Ebay and Facebook have allowed us to raise funds more easily for specific projects.

FUTURE PLANS

Plans for 2021/22

- o To raise funds to complete the perimeter fence, raising it to 8ft all round
- o Complete second part of drainage
- o We anticipate 2021/22 to be the final part of our larger expenses and once completed we hope to free up time for more educational purposes

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

Northern Ireland Battery Hen Rescue (a company limited by guarantee) is a charitable company governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number
NI611869 (Northern Ireland)

Registered Charity number
104929

Registered office
The Nut House
16 Nut Hill Road
Moirá
Co. Armagh
BT67 0PH

Trustees

The trustees who served the charity during the period were as follows:

Ms Barbara Mladek
Ms Patricia Harbinson

Independent Examiner

M.B.McGrady & Co
Chartered Accountants
Suite 2B
Cadogan House
322 Lisburn Road
Belfast
Co. Antrim
BT9 6GH

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 22 December 2021 and signed on its behalf by:



Barbara Mladek - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE**

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2021, which are set out on pages 4 to 11.

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the independent examiner's report

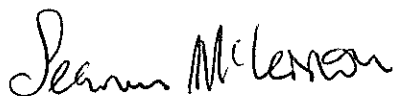
I have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act. The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual item or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and confirm that no matter has come to my attention, which gives me cause to believe:

- that accounting records were not kept as required by section 386 of the Companies Act 2006;
- that the accounts do not accord with those accounting records;
- that the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102);
- that there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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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22 December 2021

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31/3/21 Total funds £	31/3/20 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		23,151	-	23,151	35,620
Investment income	2	-	-	-	1
Total		23,151	-	23,151	35,621
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		25,272	-	25,272	30,962
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(2,121)	-	(2,121)	4,659
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		5,245	-	5,245	586
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		3,124	-	3,124	5,245

The notes form part of these financial statements

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

BALANCE SHEET
31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31/3/21 Total funds £	31/3/20 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	6	6,918	-	6,918	7,320
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	7	-	-	-	43
Cash at bank and in hand		1,754	-	1,754	4,702
		<u>1,754</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,754</u>	<u>4,745</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	8	(5,548)	-	(5,548)	(6,820)
		<u>(5,548)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(5,548)</u>	<u>(6,820)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>(3,794)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(3,794)</u>	<u>(2,075)</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		<u>3,124</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,124</u>	<u>5,245</u>
NET ASSETS					
		<u>3,124</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,124</u>	<u>5,245</u>
FUNDS					
Unrestricted funds	9			<u>3,124</u>	<u>5,245</u>
TOTAL FUNDS					
				<u>3,124</u>	<u>5,245</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2021.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

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 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The notes form part of these financial statements

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

BALANCE SHEET - continued
31 MARCH 2021

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 22 December 2021 and were signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'mmladek', written in a cursive style.

Barbara Mladek - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

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

Plant and machinery	- 15% on cost
Van	- 20% on cost

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31/3/21	31/3/20
	£	£
Interest receivable - trading	-	1
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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3. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	31/3/21	31/3/20
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	<u>2,082</u>	<u>1,857</u>

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2021 nor for the year ended 31 March 2020.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2021 nor for the year ended 31 March 2020.

5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	35,620	-	35,620
Investment income	<u>1</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1</u>
Total	35,621	-	35,621
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	30,962	-	30,962
NET INCOME	<u>4,659</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,659</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	586	-	586
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>5,245</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,245</u>

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Plant and machinery £	Van £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2020	274	9,150	9,424
Additions	1,680	-	1,680
At 31 March 2021	<u>1,954</u>	<u>9,150</u>	<u>11,104</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2020	274	1,830	2,104
Charge for year	252	1,830	2,082
At 31 March 2021	<u>526</u>	<u>3,660</u>	<u>4,186</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2021	<u>1,428</u>	<u>5,490</u>	<u>6,918</u>
At 31 March 2020	<u>-</u>	<u>7,320</u>	<u>7,320</u>

7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31/3/21 £	31/3/20 £
Other debtors	-	43

8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31/3/21 £	31/3/20 £
Other creditors	4,203	5,500
Accruals and deferred income	1,345	1,320
	<u>5,548</u>	<u>6,820</u>

9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/4/20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/3/21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	5,245	(2,121)	3,124
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>5,245</u>	<u>(2,121)</u>	<u>3,124</u>

9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	23,151	(25,272)	(2,121)
	<u>23,151</u>	<u>(25,272)</u>	<u>(2,121)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>23,151</u>	<u>(25,272)</u>	<u>(2,121)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/4/19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/3/20 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	586	4,659	5,245
	<u>586</u>	<u>4,659</u>	<u>5,245</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>586</u>	<u>4,659</u>	<u>5,245</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	35,621	(30,962)	4,659
	<u>35,621</u>	<u>(30,962)</u>	<u>4,659</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>35,621</u>	<u>(30,962)</u>	<u>4,659</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/4/19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/3/21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	586	2,538	3,124
	<u>586</u>	<u>2,538</u>	<u>3,124</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>586</u>	<u>2,538</u>	<u>3,124</u>

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	58,772	(56,234)	2,538
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>58,772</u>	<u>(56,234)</u>	<u>2,538</u>

10. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The Other Creditors figure of £4,203 (2020:£5,500) represents a loan from Barbara Mladek, a director/trustee of the company.

Northern Ireland Battery Hen Rescue

Northern Ireland - Charity number 104929

Accounts

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: NI611869 (Northern Ireland)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: NIC104929

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023
for
NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

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NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

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NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

Report of the Trustees FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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Significant activities

During the 2022/23 we still had many of the 1500 hens in our care. This had a negative affect on out feed and travel costs.

We continue to have negative feedback on the insistence of a flock licence before rehoming from us, but we have stuck to our guns and gradually people are accepting and understanding the importance of it in helping to prevent Avian Flu from spreading due to unlicensed hen owners.

With the 1500 hens coming in we have had to put on hold any major works including the extension of the draining works, although we have a much improved drainage system as is and further works can be delayed for a year or so.

The grazing has held up well and the grass is now well taken and matured and even with allowing the waterfowl on it daily, we have managed to retain grass. We have now finished with the re grassing of our grazing areas and this has helped with some of our continued drainage issues.

Our A&E Portacabin is proving invaluable although space is a bit tight and we are having a bit of an issue with mice. The resident cats go in there at night and are just about keeping the mice under control.

We continued to move forward and secure more regular donations from our followers. We have found that Amazon, Ebay and Facebook have allowed us to raise funds more easily for specific projects

Plans for 2023-2024

1. To raise funds to complete the perimeter fence, raising it to 8ft all round
2. Complete second part of drainage
3. Reduce the number of hens and roosters that are being retained at the sanctuary

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

Northern Ireland Battery Hen Rescue (a company limited by guarantee) is a charitable company governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

Report of the Trustees FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

NI611869 (Northern Ireland)

Registered Charity number

NIC104929

Registered office

The Nut House
16 Nut Hill Road
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Trustees

The trustees who served the charity during the period were as follows:

Ms Barbara Mladek
Ms Patricia Harbinson

Independent Examiner

M.B.McGrady & Co
Chartered Accountants
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Cadogan House
322 Lisburn Road
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 19 February 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



Barbara Mladek - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Northern Ireland Battery Hen Rescue**

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2023, which are set out on pages four to ten.

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees (and also the 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.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 65 of the Charities Act
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under Section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the independent examiner's report

I have examined your charity accounts as required under Section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under Section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act. The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with Section 386 of the Companies Act 2006
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the 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
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.



Seamus McLernon

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19 February 2024

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

**Statement of Financial Activities
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31/3/23 Total funds £	31/3/22 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		28,021	-	28,021	28,058
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		22,190	-	22,190	18,667
Charitable activities					
General		12,520	-	12,520	10,094
Total		<u>34,710</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>34,710</u>	<u>28,761</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(6,689)	-	(6,689)	(703)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		2,421	-	2,421	3,124
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>(4,268)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(4,268)</u>	<u>2,421</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

Balance Sheet
31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31/3/23 Total funds £	31/3/22 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	5	3,366	-	3,366	5,312
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank and in hand		1,362	-	1,362	4,132
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	6	(8,996)	-	(8,996)	(7,023)
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)		<u>(7,634)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(7,634)</u>	<u>(2,891)</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>(4,268)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(4,268)</u>	<u>2,421</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>(4,268)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(4,268)</u>	<u>2,421</u>
FUNDS	8				
Unrestricted funds				<u>(4,268)</u>	<u>2,421</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>(4,268)</u>	<u>2,421</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2023.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

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 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 19 February 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

Barbara Mladek - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

Notes to the Financial Statements FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

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

Plant and machinery	- 15% on cost
Van	- 20% on cost

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	31/3/23	31/3/22
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	<u>2,205</u>	<u>2,166</u>

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

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

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2023 nor for the year ended 31 March 2022.

4. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	28,058	-	28,058
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	18,667	-	18,667
Charitable activities			
General	10,094	-	10,094
Total	<u>28,761</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>28,761</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(703)	-	(703)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	3,124	-	3,124
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>2,421</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,421</u>

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Plant and machinery £	Van £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2022	2,514	9,150	11,664
Additions	259	-	259
	<u>2,773</u>	<u>9,150</u>	<u>11,923</u>
At 31 March 2023	2,773	9,150	11,923
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2022	862	5,490	6,352
Charge for year	375	1,830	2,205
	<u>1,237</u>	<u>7,320</u>	<u>8,557</u>
At 31 March 2023	1,237	7,320	8,557
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2023	<u>1,536</u>	<u>1,830</u>	<u>3,366</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>1,652</u>	<u>3,660</u>	<u>5,312</u>

6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31/3/23 £	31/3/22 £
Bank loans and overdrafts (see note 7)	246	-
Trade creditors	269	-
Other creditors	7,028	5,630
Accruals and deferred income	1,453	1,393
	<u>8,996</u>	<u>7,023</u>

7. LOANS

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	31/3/23 £	31/3/22 £
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Bank overdrafts	246	-
	<u>246</u>	<u>-</u>

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/4/22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/3/23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	2,421	(6,689)	(4,268)
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,421</u>	<u>(6,689)</u>	<u>(4,268)</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	28,021	(34,710)	(6,689)
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>28,021</u>	<u>(34,710)</u>	<u>(6,689)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

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Unrestricted funds			
General fund	3,124	(703)	2,421
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>3,124</u>	<u>(703)</u>	<u>2,421</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

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General fund	28,058	(28,761)	(703)
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>28,058</u>	<u>(28,761)</u>	<u>(703)</u>

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/4/21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/3/23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	3,124	(7,392)	(4,268)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>3,124</u>	<u>(7,392)</u>	<u>(4,268)</u>

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General fund	56,079	(63,471)	(7,392)
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>56,079</u>	<u>(63,471)</u>	<u>(7,392)</u>

9. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The Other Creditors figure of £7,028 (2022:£1,830) represents a loan from Barbara Mladek, a director/trustee of the company.

Northern Ireland Battery Hen Rescue

Northern Ireland - Charity number 104929

Annual report

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: NI611869 (Northern Ireland)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: NIC104929

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023
for
NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

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NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

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NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

Report of the Trustees FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

Our main aims and objectives, as set out in our governing documents, the Memorandum and Articles of Association are:

- To rescue battery and other hens from egg producing farms when the farms are depopulating and to find them homes where they can live a natural free range life
- To arrange veterinary treatment for any hens: and
- To look after and care for hens who are not rehomed in accordance with the point above on a temporary or permanent basis

Our aim is to educate the public on where their food comes from, allowing them to see the results of factory farming on the hens so that they can make an informed choice about what they choose to eat. To educate the public on how the welfare of animals is badly affected in an intensive farming situation and to show them the benefits to health, both mental and physical, that keeping a few hens as pets can provide.

Significant activities

During the 2022/23 we still had many of the 1500 hens in our care. This had a negative affect on out feed and travel costs.

We continue to have negative feedback on the insistence of a flock licence before rehoming from us, but we have stuck to our guns and gradually people are accepting and understanding the importance of it in helping to prevent Avian Flu from spreading due to unlicensed hen owners.

With the 1500 hens coming in we have had to put on hold any major works including the extension of the draining works, although we have a much improved drainage system as is and further works can be delayed for a year or so.

The grazing has held up well and the grass is now well taken and matured and even with allowing the waterfowl on it daily, we have managed to retain grass. We have now finished with the re grassing of our grazing areas and this has helped with some of our continued drainage issues.

Our A&E Portacabin is proving invaluable although space is a bit tight and we are having a bit of an issue with mice. The resident cats go in there at night and are just about keeping the mice under control.

We continued to move forward and secure more regular donations from our followers. We have found that Amazon, Ebay and Facebook have allowed us to raise funds more easily for specific projects

Plans for 2023-2024

1. To raise funds to complete the perimeter fence, raising it to 8ft all round
2. Complete second part of drainage
3. Reduce the number of hens and roosters that are being retained at the sanctuary

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

Northern Ireland Battery Hen Rescue (a company limited by guarantee) is a charitable company governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

Report of the Trustees
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number
NI611869 (Northern Ireland)

Registered Charity number
NIC104929

Registered office
The Nut House
16 Nut Hill Road
Moira
BT67 0PH

Trustees
The trustees who served the charity during the period were as follows:

Ms Barbara Mladek
Ms Patricia Harbinson

Independent Examiner
M.B.McGrady & Co
Chartered Accountants
Suite 2B
Cadogan House
322 Lisburn Road
Belfast
Co. Antrim
BT9 6GH

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 19 February 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



Barbara Mladek - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Northern Ireland Battery Hen Rescue**

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2023, which are set out on pages four to ten.

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees (and also the 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.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 65 of the Charities Act
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under Section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the independent examiner's report

I have examined your charity accounts as required under Section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under Section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act. The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with Section 386 of the Companies Act 2006
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the 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
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.



Seamus McLernon

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19 February 2024

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

**Statement of Financial Activities
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31/3/23 Total funds £	31/3/22 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		28,021	-	28,021	28,058
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		22,190	-	22,190	18,667
Charitable activities					
General		12,520	-	12,520	10,094
Total		<u>34,710</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>34,710</u>	<u>28,761</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(6,689)	-	(6,689)	(703)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		2,421	-	2,421	3,124
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>(4,268)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>(4,268)</u></u>	<u><u>2,421</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

Balance Sheet
31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31/3/23 Total funds £	31/3/22 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	5	3,366	-	3,366	5,312
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank and in hand		1,362	-	1,362	4,132
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	6	(8,996)	-	(8,996)	(7,023)
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)		<u>(7,634)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(7,634)</u>	<u>(2,891)</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>(4,268)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(4,268)</u>	<u>2,421</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>(4,268)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(4,268)</u>	<u>2,421</u>
FUNDS	8				
Unrestricted funds				<u>(4,268)</u>	<u>2,421</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>(4,268)</u>	<u>2,421</u>

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These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 19 February 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

Barbara Mladek - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

Notes to the Financial Statements FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

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Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	31/3/23	31/3/22
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	<u>2,205</u>	<u>2,166</u>

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

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

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2023 nor for the year ended 31 March 2022.

4. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	28,058	-	28,058
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	18,667	-	18,667
Charitable activities			
General	10,094	-	10,094
Total	<u>28,761</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>28,761</u>
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Total funds brought forward	3,124	-	3,124
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NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Plant and machinery £	Van £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2022	2,514	9,150	11,664
Additions	259	-	259
	<u>2,773</u>	<u>9,150</u>	<u>11,923</u>
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DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2022	862	5,490	6,352
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At 31 March 2023	<u>1,536</u>	<u>1,830</u>	<u>3,366</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>1,652</u>	<u>3,660</u>	<u>5,312</u>

6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31/3/23 £	31/3/22 £
Bank loans and overdrafts (see note 7)	246	-
Trade creditors	269	-
Other creditors	7,028	5,630
Accruals and deferred income	1,453	1,393
	<u>8,996</u>	<u>7,023</u>

7. LOANS

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	31/3/23 £	31/3/22 £
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Bank overdrafts	246	-
	<u>246</u>	<u>-</u>

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/4/22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/3/23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	2,421	(6,689)	(4,268)
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,421</u>	<u>(6,689)</u>	<u>(4,268)</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

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General fund	28,021	(34,710)	(6,689)
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>28,021</u>	<u>(34,710)</u>	<u>(6,689)</u>

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NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

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8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

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The Other Creditors figure of £7,028 (2022:£1,830) represents a loan from Barbara Mladek, a director/trustee of the company.

Northern Ireland Battery Hen Rescue

Northern Ireland - Charity number 104929

Annual return

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Our aim is to educate the public on where their food comes from, allowing them to see the results of factory farming on the hens so that they can make an informed choice about what they choose to eat. To educate the public on how the welfare of animals is badly affected in an intensive farming situation and to show them the benefits to health, both mental and physical, that keeping a few hens as pets can provide.

Significant activities

During the 2022/23 we still had many of the 1500 hens in our care. This had a negative affect on out feed and travel costs.

We continue to have negative feedback on the insistence of a flock licence before rehoming from us, but we have stuck to our guns and gradually people are accepting and understanding the importance of it in helping to prevent Avian Flu from spreading due to unlicensed hen owners.

With the 1500 hens coming in we have had to put on hold any major works including the extension of the draining works, although we have a much improved drainage system as is and further works can be delayed for a year or so.

The grazing has held up well and the grass is now well taken and matured and even with allowing the waterfowl on it daily, we have managed to retain grass. We have now finished with the re grassing of our grazing areas and this has helped with some of our continued drainage issues.

Our A&E Portacabin is proving invaluable although space is a bit tight and we are having a bit of an issue with mice. The resident cats go in there at night and are just about keeping the mice under control.

We continued to move forward and secure more regular donations from our followers. We have found that Amazon, Ebay and Facebook have allowed us to raise funds more easily for specific projects

Plans for 2023-2024

1. To raise funds to complete the perimeter fence, raising it to 8ft all round
2. Complete second part of drainage
3. Reduce the number of hens and roosters that are being retained at the sanctuary

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

Northern Ireland Battery Hen Rescue (a company limited by guarantee) is a charitable company governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

Report of the Trustees FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

NI611869 (Northern Ireland)

Registered Charity number

NIC104929

Registered office

The Nut House
16 Nut Hill Road
Moira
BT67 0PH

Trustees

The trustees who served the charity during the period were as follows:

Ms Barbara Mladek
Ms Patricia Harbinson

Independent Examiner

M.B.McGrady & Co
Chartered Accountants
Suite 2B
Cadogan House
322 Lisburn Road
Belfast
Co. Antrim
BT9 6GH

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 19 February 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



Barbara Mladek - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Northern Ireland Battery Hen Rescue**

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2023, which are set out on pages four to ten.

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees (and also the 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.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 65 of the Charities Act
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under Section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the independent examiner's report

I have examined your charity accounts as required under Section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under Section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act. The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with Section 386 of the Companies Act 2006
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the 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
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.



Seamus McLernon

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19 February 2024

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

**Statement of Financial Activities
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31/3/23 Total funds £	31/3/22 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		28,021	-	28,021	28,058
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		22,190	-	22,190	18,667
Charitable activities					
General		12,520	-	12,520	10,094
Total		<u>34,710</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>34,710</u>	<u>28,761</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(6,689)	-	(6,689)	(703)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		2,421	-	2,421	3,124
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>(4,268)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>(4,268)</u></u>	<u><u>2,421</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

Balance Sheet
31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31/3/23 Total funds £	31/3/22 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	5	3,366	-	3,366	5,312
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank and in hand		1,362	-	1,362	4,132
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	6	(8,996)	-	(8,996)	(7,023)
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)		<u>(7,634)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(7,634)</u>	<u>(2,891)</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>(4,268)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(4,268)</u>	<u>2,421</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>(4,268)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(4,268)</u>	<u>2,421</u>
FUNDS	8				
Unrestricted funds				<u>(4,268)</u>	<u>2,421</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>(4,268)</u>	<u>2,421</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2023.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

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 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 19 February 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

Barbara Mladek - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

Notes to the Financial Statements FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

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

Plant and machinery	- 15% on cost
Van	- 20% on cost

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	31/3/23	31/3/22
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	<u>2,205</u>	<u>2,166</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

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

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2023 nor for the year ended 31 March 2022.

4. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	28,058	-	28,058
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	18,667	-	18,667
Charitable activities			
General	10,094	-	10,094
Total	<u>28,761</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>28,761</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(703)	-	(703)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	3,124	-	3,124
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>2,421</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,421</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Plant and machinery £	Van £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2022	2,514	9,150	11,664
Additions	259	-	259
	<u>2,773</u>	<u>9,150</u>	<u>11,923</u>
At 31 March 2023	2,773	9,150	11,923
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2022	862	5,490	6,352
Charge for year	375	1,830	2,205
	<u>1,237</u>	<u>7,320</u>	<u>8,557</u>
At 31 March 2023	1,237	7,320	8,557
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2023	<u>1,536</u>	<u>1,830</u>	<u>3,366</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>1,652</u>	<u>3,660</u>	<u>5,312</u>

6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31/3/23 £	31/3/22 £
Bank loans and overdrafts (see note 7)	246	-
Trade creditors	269	-
Other creditors	7,028	5,630
Accruals and deferred income	1,453	1,393
	<u>8,996</u>	<u>7,023</u>

7. LOANS

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	31/3/23 £	31/3/22 £
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Bank overdrafts	246	-
	<u>246</u>	<u>-</u>

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/4/22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/3/23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	2,421	(6,689)	(4,268)
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,421</u>	<u>(6,689)</u>	<u>(4,268)</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	28,021	(34,710)	(6,689)
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>28,021</u>	<u>(34,710)</u>	<u>(6,689)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/4/21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/3/22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	3,124	(703)	2,421
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>3,124</u>	<u>(703)</u>	<u>2,421</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	28,058	(28,761)	(703)
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>28,058</u>	<u>(28,761)</u>	<u>(703)</u>

NORTHERN IRELAND BATTERY HEN RESCUE

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/4/21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/3/23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	3,124	(7,392)	(4,268)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>3,124</u>	<u>(7,392)</u>	<u>(4,268)</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	56,079	(63,471)	(7,392)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>56,079</u>	<u>(63,471)</u>	<u>(7,392)</u>

9. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The Other Creditors figure of £7,028 (2022:£1,830) represents a loan from Barbara Mladek, a director/trustee of the company.