RSPCA (GOOLE & DISTRICT BRANCH)

Registered charity number 232214

Trustees' Report and Unaudited Financial Statements

for the year ended 31 December 2025

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Trustees' Report

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered charity number
232214

Principal address
8 Field Lane
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Trustees during the year

A Mellor	Chair
T Marston	Assistant Treasurer
G Petty	Secretary / Press / Volunteer Coordinator
J Petty	Fosterer
J P Price	Treasurer
J Ward	ID chipping Coordinator

Independent examiner
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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

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

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

Committee
The committee consists of 6 volunteers who work very hard on behalf of animal welfare in the area. In addition to these trustees there are a large number of volunteers who help us fundraise, foster, home-check, ID Chip paperwork and help run welfare Days.

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

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

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

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

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

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE 2025

We continued to bring sick, injured or abandoned cats into care and we found homes for 109 (last year 152) and returned 7 Cats to their owners. The branch continued to work closely with End Cottage Veterinary Clinic in Howden, for the foster work and supporting our feral cat projects.

Throughout 2025 Amy and Georgina carried out the online home visits. We said goodbye to Kay and Carl due to moving house, due to financial constraints we let them have the pen. We lost Kirsty due to work commitments; however, we gained Sue and Ashleigh who took on a lot of kittens until they had sold their house. Also, Jane Price paused her fostering whilst she moved and got settled in the new house. So, we did have a reduced fostering team for a while. However, we did take on Jane Goffin who took on two special needs cats after she dealt with Buzz and continued to foster for us. We also recruited Jen Milner who has got stuck into fostering with us and offers new ideas for the branch, she has had some of our trickiest cats. We continued weekly virtual meetings to include all the fosterers, discussing cats in care and the visits. This way, all the cat fosterers work as a rehoming team together now. A huge thank you to our fosterers and a group of volunteers who regularly support the fostering team spending time socialising the cats and assisting with transporting foster cats to the vets. Following the deterioration of Jane Pettys pen and with Andy and Jill no longer using

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE 2025 (continued)

theirs, the trustees agreed for Pedigree Pens to move it to Janes to replace her old one. It was signed over and put into use in March.

Thanks to Jane Price who has continued completing the claims for the branch contribution fund until it ended on 1st October 2025.

June organises the chips and liaises regularly with the vets and fosterers. Both Rase and End Cottage vets continue to chip our animals for free with June supplying the chips to them. Between the veterinary clinics and June, we organised 196 cats to be chipped.

66 home visits (103 last year) were carried out and 105 post adoption telephone visits (42 last year).

Although sadly we lost Glen Webb, his wife Anne Webb continues to run the main RSPCA Phone and organises the welfare and neutering vouchers for the branch, however due increase in vet bills at RASE we raised the prices. The Welfare Assistance Grant continued for sick and injured pets whose owners were on benefits went up to £20 and we provided £70 worth of treatment as part of this. Anne issued 52 welfare vouchers for rabbits, dogs and cats that needed treatment.

The Cat Neutering Scheme ran again but now at £20 for cat owners on benefits and £40 for those on low incomes. This included a free ID chip. 165 cats were neutered on the scheme (147 last year), and two dogs were also neutered. We continue to work with Rase Veterinary Clinic in Gatesby Road with these neutering and welfare vouchers.

Fundraising and volunteers were organised by Georgina Petty. The Dog Show was another great success. Georgina has inducted a number of new volunteers, and we now have a total of 30 regular volunteers. We did hold a Cat Welfare Day at the Moorlands Youth Centre where 33 cats (22 last year) were flea and worm treated and 18 neutering vouchers were issued. In November Christmas stalls were held in Snaith and Rawcliffe and volunteers went into Swinefleet School to promote our work and receive festive presents from the children for cats in care.

Amazon Wishlist and Just Giving page which were set up in 2022 and have proved very successful in bringing in some much-needed funds thanks to Georgina who continues to monitor this. A funding page for a specific cats needs was a great success and exceeded the expected target to pay for the vet care such as Buzz, who even brought in the local television crew to report on him.

Georgina continues to run the Facebook page and is regularly contacted by the public on social media regarding welfare, cruelty concerns, neutering, and adoption enquiries. Also, along with Amy she receives the branch e mails with various communications, especially with the perfect match forms for adoptions. Throughout the year Georgina attended regular on-line regional RSPCA fundraising discussions. She also represented the branch during the virtual RSPCA Branches Conference, joined the virtual International Cat Care Conference, participated in national on-line discussions about the RSPCA Branches Programme and various other virtual workshops hosted by HQ to have a say in moving the RSPCA forward over the next. Tracy too gives up her Saturdays and joins the regional meetings to represent our branch.

Carl continued to be our shop keeper for most of the year, however Philp and Jane Price have now taken this on. We were fortunate enough to have vouchers to spend in Pets at Home, a huge saving.

Once again, Tracy was able to claim our VAT back and this is for a second year with Philp's new recording which is time saving.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE 2025 (continued)

A Special mention to Amy and Georgina who gave up their summer to attend and do the International Cat Friendly rehoming cat care course. Claire Bessant, the trainer and mentor for the course, had this to say "I have had the pleasure of working with Amy and Georgina over the past 4 months throughout the Cat Friendly Homing course. I am delighted to say they have Passed with Distinction. I was delighted that Vicky Halls, Head of Unowned Cats at International Cat Care, was able to join us for the final presentation. Vicky has seen all of the presentations from different groups doing the course and rated RSPCA Goole among the best. Both of us were moved by how Amy and Georgina embraced the work, taking the knowledge and principles and thinking them through critically and carefully in relation to the work they undertake there. Most importantly they completely embraced the principle of looking at good welfare from a cat's point of view, considering all steps which can be undertaken to optimise the cats' experiences on the way to finding them to new homes as soon possible. They were also fun and enthusiastic to work with and got all their homework in on time! This was all the more impressive because they are volunteers, doing day jobs alongside the RSPCA work. A great deal of work went into the course and the impressive final presentation, which I hope they will be able to share with you. Congratulations".

This a fine achievement for our branch and was followed by Amy and Georgina training the volunteers and trustees in November, thanks to Jane Petty who hosted the training.

Thank you to all our volunteers and trustees for their support throughout 2025.

FUTURE PLANS

- Continue both the cat neutering scheme and the welfare scheme.
- Recruit new fosterers
- To try and hold both a Cat and a Dog Action Day.
- Work with the new Cat rehoming strategies from the course and embed the traffic light system
- To hold a Dog Show in 2026 with same sponsors and help celebrate Goole's Bicentenary.
- Purchase a new cat pen for Georgina Petty and Jane Price to have for fostering.
- Continue working with a database for fosterers to input their information.
- Georgina to continue regular meetings with HQ to keep us updated on the big changes ahead with the national society.
- Hold another volunteer get together event to celebrate the opening of the new pens.
- Review the cat packs and adoption packs, with Volunteer Yasmin's help
- Streamline the fostering paperwork
- Reorganise and tidy the Jail
- Produce new neutering posters
- Continue to use Just giving for specialised campaigns such vet bills
- Apply for grants to fund new pens
- Produce posters to help fundraise for new pens

RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

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

FINANCIAL REVIEW

After another challenging year, total income received was £89,991, up £21,993 from the previous year. Total expenditure was slightly up from £70,049 to £74,094, meaning a suplus of £15,897 was achieved (2024: a deficit of £2,051). Total reserves carried forward were therefore £123,323 (2024: £107,426).

RESERVES POLICY

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

RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES

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

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

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

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

By Order of the Board

A. I. Mellor

A. Mellor
Chair
May 2026

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Statement of Financial Activities

for the year ended 31 December 2025

	Note	**2025 Unrestricted Funds £**	2024 Total Funds £
INCOMING RESOURCES			
Incoming resources from generated funds			
Voluntary income	*2*	**63,132**	41,721
Activities for generating funds	*3*	**1,314**	4,039
Investment income	*4*	**2,480**	3,146
Incoming resources from charitable activities			
Charitable activity income	*5*	**23,065**	19,092
Total incoming resources		**89,991**	67,998
RESOURCES EXPENDED			
Costs of generating funds			
Costs of generating voluntary income	*6*	**4,151**	5,509
Charitable activities			
Charitable activity expenses	*7*	**69,943**	64,540
Governance costs		**-**	-
Total resources expended		**74,094**	70,049
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources for the year		**15,897**	(2,051)
Total funds brought forward		**107,426**	109,477
Total funds carried forward		**123,323**	107,426

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Balance Sheet

at 31 December 2025

	Note	2025 Unrestricted Funds £	2024 Total Funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	*10*	**15,807**	16,080
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors and prepayments	*11*	**5,815**	8,818
Cash at bank and in hand		**110,704**	88,780
		116,519	97,598
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	*12*	**(9,003)**	(6,252)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		**107,516**	91,346
NET ASSETS		**123,323**	107,426
FUNDS			
Unrestricted funds	*13*	**123,323**	107,426
TOTAL FUNDS		**123,323**	107,426

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 21st May 2026 and were signed on its behalf by:

J. P. Price
Treasurer

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Notes
(forming part of the financial statements)

1 Accounting policies

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

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

Depreciation of tangible fixed assets

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

Fixtures and equipment	10% straight line

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

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

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

2 Voluntary income

	2025 £	2024 £
Donations – door to door	**19,968**	21,816
Donations – faithful friends	**1,727**	1,369
Donations – other	**41,437**	18,536
	63,132	41,721

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3 Activities for generating funds

	2025 £	2024 £
Fairs and shows	1,137	2,698
Collections	177	1,258
Other	-	83
	1,314	4,039

4 Investment income

	2025 £	2024 £
Bank interest receivable	2,480	3,146

5 Charitable activity income

	2025 £	2024 £
Microchipping	-	20
Neutering refund / grants	4,940	3,285
Adoptions and fostering	10,790	9,495
VAT refunds	7,335	6,292
	23,065	19,092

6 Costs of generating voluntary income

	2025 £	2024 £
Advertising and website	762	357
Room hire and other costs	3,389	5,152
	4,151	5,509

7 Charitable activity expenses

	2025 £	2024 £
RSPCA goods and services	**4,512**	3,031
Veterinary fees	**41,714**	43,962
Fostering expenses	**8,174**	11,384
Fostering travel expenses	**945**	80
Depreciation of fixtures and equipment	**6,154**	4,803
Loss on disposal of assets	**7,625**	-
Miscellaneous	**819**	1,280
	69,943	64,540

8 Staff costs

There were no paid staff during the year (2024 : £nil).

9 Trustees' remuneration, benefits and expenses

There were no payments made to trustees for remuneration or other benefits during the year (2024 : £nil). Expenses re-imbursed to trustees during the year amounted to £542 (2024 : £80).

10 **Tangible fixed Assets**

	Fixtures £
Cost	
As at 1 January 2025	47,962
Additions	13,506
Disposals	(31,651)
As at 31 December 2025	**29,817**
Depreciation	
As at 1 January 2025	31,882
Charge for the year	6,154
Disposals	(24,026)
As at 31 December 2025	**14,010**
Net Book Value	
As at 31 December 2025	**15,807**
As at 31 December 2024	16,080

11 **Debtors**

	2025 £	2024 £
Prepayments	5,815	8,818

12 **Creditors: amounts falling due with one year**

	2025 £	2024 £
Accruals	9,003	6,252

13 **Movement in funds**
Unrestricted funds: general fund

	2025 £	2024 £
Incoming resources	89,991	67,998
Resources expended	(74,094)	(70,049)
Net movement in funds	15,897	(2,051)
Balance brought forward	107,426	109,477
Balance carried forward	123,323	107,426

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

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2025 set out on pages 6 to 11.

Respective responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

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

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May 2026