RSPCA
SCARBOROUGH & DISTRICT BRANCH

ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

The Old Stable, Albemarle Back Road, Scarborough, YO11 1YA
Registered Charity No. 232233

OFFICIAL - SENSITIVE

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	Miss J Kirby (Chair) Miss J Thorpe-Willett (Treasurer) Mrs J Kirby Ms L Booth appointed 20 May 2025 Mr D Gadsby appointed 20 May 2025
Charity Number	232233
Principal Address	The Old Stable Albemarle Back Road Scarborough YO11 1YA
Independent Examiner	Ashby Berry Coulsons Ltd 2 Belgrave Crescent Scarborough YO11 1UB
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TRUSTEE'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2025.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The RSPCA Scarborough & District Branch is an unincorporated charitable association and a branch of the National RSPCA carrying out animal welfare work in the area of Scarborough, Filey, Whitby and Pickering.
The Branch is governed by a Committee of Trustees, which is responsible for the effective management and direction of the branch. The Committee meets monthly to make strategic decisions and share responsibilities for managing day to day operations.

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Miss J Kirby (Chair)
Miss J Thorpe-Willett (Treasurer)
Mrs J Kirby
Ms L Booth
Mr D Gadsby

Trustee recruitment and appointment

A Committee of Trustees is elected at each AGM by the Branch members to govern the Branch. Each Trustee is recruited for their experience and knowledge to help keep a balance of skills across the Committee. All Trustee roles are voluntary and receive no benefits from the Branch, although Trustees can claim expenses properly and necessarily incurred in the performance of their duties.

Trustee induction and training

All new Trustees are briefed on their responsibilities as a Trustee prior to accepting the role. They are provided with literature on the work of the Branch and guidance from the Charities Commission on the role of a Trustee.
Full training is provided and ongoing training is available, relevant to the individual role.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The aims of the Branch are to promote kindness and to prevent cruelty to animals by all lawful means. This is done via a combination of welfare support, rehoming of mistreated, abandoned and unwanted animals, supporting the RSPCA inspectorate in the Branch area and through promotion of the work and objectives of the Society.

The main activities undertaken by the Branch this year were the rehoming of unwanted cats and provision of welfare support vouchers to assist with the cost of veterinary care, neutering and vaccinations for those animals of people on eligible benefits. The Branch also worked with local food banks to provide support and advice, with the aim to keep more pets with their owners.

PUBLIC BENEFIT STATEMENT

The Trustees have reviewed the outcomes and achievements of our objectives and activities for the year, to ensure they remain focused on our charitable aims and continue to deliver benefits to the public. The Branch has charitable aims that are based on providing public benefit that comply with section 4 of the Charities Act 2011.

The following Branch activities during the year were pursued for the benefit of the public:

- The Branch provides financial assistance through a welfare voucher scheme. This is available to members of the public on state benefits to assist with veterinary bills, neutering, vaccinations and microchipping.
- The Branch takes in mistreated and abandoned cats from both the local community and Inspectors, including owners who suffer ill health, financial difficulties or pass away.
- The Branch re-homes cats in its care at a low cost to people willing and suitable.
- All animals in the Branch's care receive veterinary treatment, neutering, vaccination, microchipping and are assessed for rehoming.
- The Branch works with local food banks to provide support to help keep pets with their owners.
- The Branch offers free animal care advice by advising members of the public the best way to care for their pets and promote responsible pet ownership.

ACHIEVEMENTS & PERFORMANCE

Financial Assistance

Between January and August 2025 the Branch provided financial support to the local community through the welfare voucher scheme.
The total value of assistance provided to the local community was £4,426.69 with cats being the animal most in need of support.
With veterinary costs continuing to rise the Branch was able to provide support with initial vet consultation fees, neutering and also contribute towards bills if an animal was seriously ill or injured.
The Branch had to make the decision to suspend the welfare voucher scheme in August 2025. This was due to the high costs of the scheme and the financial pressure this was putting on the Branch. The decision was made to suspend the scheme and focus costs on the animals in our care. This decision will be reviewed by the Branch next year.

Cat Rehoming

Throughout the year the Branch accepted 65 cats with 10 kittens being born in our care. We happily rehomed 54 cats.
The cats are cared for both at Snugglepuss Cats Hotel and with volunteer fosterers whilst they wait to be rehomed.

Rehoming Success

This year we have seen so many happy stories as we look for new homes for our cats.
Belle was one that touched the hearts of all the Trustees and cattery staff.
Belle is 12 years old and came to us in a terrible condition from owners who neglected her. After a full vet check we realised that she was going to need a lot of dental work and in the end had to have all her teeth removed. After the surgery our cattery staff saw a huge improvement in Belle and her appetite!
Belle spent 6 months in the cattery before going into foster care. After spending two days with her, the couple that fostered Belle contacted our Cat Coordinator to ask if they were allowed to adopt her as they couldn't imagine being without her.



Branch Events



The Branch has maintained a strong community presence, helping to promote the charity and raise funds

- In June 2025 the Branch hosted a wildlife awareness event in Pealsholm Park in collaboration with Geoff Edmonds, Lead Wildlife Officer at the RSPCA.
- In August 2025 the Branch took part in the annual Rotary Club charity fundraising event in Scarborough town centre with a tombola and animal goodie bags.
- In December 2025 the Branch attended a Christmas craft fair at Eastfield library. The trustees and volunteers worked to produce goods for the stall including handmade cards, keyrings and christmas decorations.

In total the Branch raised £428.06 after attending events throughout the year.

Food Banks

The Branch maintains its connections with local food banks and with the kind support of donations the Branch has been able to provide the food banks with a selection of cat food, dog food and pet supplies in an effort to help keep pets and their owners together.



FINANCIAL REVIEW

Overall, the Branch made a surplus of nearly £11,500 compared to £34,000 deficit in 2024, This leaves free reserves at a healthy balance of nearly £203,000 available at 2025 year end. A detailed breakdown of all income and expenditure incurred during the year is shown in the R&P accounts attached to this report.

In 2025 the Branch was also fortunate enough to receive some unexpected funding from the Postcode Lottery. Following a local street winning the lottery the Branch was contacted by the Postcode Community Trust and informed that we had been selected as one of three local charities to receive £30,000 unrestricted funding as a result of the local postcode lottery win. The funding was gratefully received and has been used to contribute towards cattery fees and veterinary bills for the cats currently in our care.

Reserves Policy

It is the Trustees' view that it is prudent to ensure that there are sufficient free reserves to provide financial flexibility throughout the year. The Branch maintains a reserves policy of £80,000 for a full year of normal expected expenditure.

Risk Register

The biggest risk to the Branch is the lack of regular income. Without legacies the Branch risks running out of funds in the medium term and, whilst currently meeting the reserves policy, this is something to be kept under constant review. In summary the key risks are:

- Lack of funds - whilst the Branch is in the process of opening a new charity shop alternative income streams need to be found and all outgoing costs managed.
- As another funding concern, without legacies the Branch risks running out of funding in the medium term.
- Lack of Trustees - the Branch is currently running with the minimum number of Trustees
- Lack of Volunteers - with no shop as a focal point or regular schedule of fundraising activities it can be difficult to recruit volunteers and maintain interest.

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

As always Trustee and volunteer recruitment are a high priority for the Branch.
The Committee are actively making plans for a new charity shop and this is a focus moving into the new year.
The Committee are also looking at the options available for grant applications and how this may help the Branch with short to medium term funding.

Appreciations

Thank you to Snugglepuss Cats Hotel and all the cat fosterers for the care provided to cats over the last year. Also thank you to the local vets that provide the veterinary support whilst cats are in the Branch's care.
Thank you to Sainsbury's Scarborough for the use of a donation bin and to all the generous customers that have donated food.

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Miss J Kirby (Chair)
Trustee
09/06/2026
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Date

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of RSPCA Scarborough & District Branch (the Charity) for the year ended 31 December 2025.

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

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

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

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

Anna Wiffen FCCA

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9/6/26
Date

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Royal Society For The Prevention Of Cruelty To Animals (Scarborough And District Branch)	232233

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01/01/2025	To	31/12/2025

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Legacies, Grants & Donations	32,451	0	0	32,451	3,729
Door 2 Door	20,519	0	0	20,519	21,816
Pet Insurance	18	0	0	18	0
Animals Rehoused	4,000	0	0	4,000	3,705
Shop Income	277	0	0	277	727
Bank Interest	4,523	0	0	4,523	7,704
Grants & Subs From HQ	980			980	208
Fund Raising Event	296	0	0	296	
		0	0	0	
***Sub total** (Gross income for AR)*	63,064	0	0	63,064	37,889
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0
Sub total	0	0	0	0	0
Total receipts	63,064	0	0	63,064	37,889
A3 Payments					
Shop Expenses	0	0	0	0	16,047
Event Costs	362	0	0	362	0
Branch Contributions To HQ	551	0	0	551	551
Animal Expenses	34,904	0	0	34,904	35,624
Wages & Pensions	8,548	0	0	8,548	16,222
Room hire	498	0	0	498	382
Repairs & Maintenance	0	0	0	0	57
Insurance & Utilities	1,762	0	0	1,762	1,416
Computer costs	1,083	0	0	1,083	0
Motor expenses	1,806	0	0	1,806	583
Professional Fees	1,154	0	0	1,154	192
Other Expenses	929	0	0	929	452
Sub total	51,597	0	0	51,597	71,526
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0
Sub total	0	0	0	0	0
Total payments	51,597	0	0	51,597	71,526
Net of receipts/(payments)	11,467	0	0	11,467	(33,637)
A5 Transfers between funds	0	0	0	0	0
A6 Cash funds last year end	191,453	0	0	191,453	225,090
Cash funds this year end	202,920	0	0	202,920	191,453

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

B1 Cash funds

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	Bank Current Account	94,402	0	0
	Savings Accounts	108,518	0	0
		0	0	0
	Total cash funds	202,920	0	0
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	CK	CK	CK

B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	0	0	0
	0	0	0
	0	0	0
	0	0	0
	0	0	0
	0	0	0

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		0	0
		0	0
		0	0
		0	0
		0	0

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			0
			0
			0
			0
		0	0
		0	0
		0	0
		0	0

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		0	
		0	
		0	
		0	
		0	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Julie Thorpe-Willett	9.6.2026
	J Kirby	9.06.2026

ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS
(Scarborough and District Branch)

Detailed Receipts and Payments Account for the Year Ended 31 December 2025

	2025		2024	
	£	£	£	£
Receipts				
Shop income		277		727
Covid grants				
Legacies				
Grants	30,000			
Donations	2,451		3,729	
		32,451		3,729
Door 2 door		20,519		21,816
Grants & subs from HQ		980		208
Pet insurance		18		
Fund raising event		296		
Cats rehoused		4,000		3,705
Bank interest		4,523		7,704
Total receipts		**63,064**		**37,889**
Payments				
Shop expenses			16,047	
Branch contributions to HQ	551		551	
Event costs	362			
Cat boarding	15,573		16,768	
Veterinary fees - boarding & neutering animals	7,780		5,934	
Veterinary fees - assistance	1,604		1,950	
Neutering scheme	9,628		9,447	
Animal food	39		399	
Foster animals treatment	51		1,011	
Feral & stray animals treated	162			
Miscellaneous animal expenses	67		115	
Room hire	498		382	
Light and heat	413		315	
Wages	8,397		15,502	
Pensions	151		720	
Telephone	106			
Post stationery & advertising	106		105	
Motor expenses	1,806		583	
Repairs and renewals			57	
Carried forward		47,294		69,886
Payments (continued)				
Brought forward	47,294		69,886	
Branch insurance	1,007		810	
Lottery licence	20		20	
Sundry expenses	241		109	
Accountancy	1,425		1,350	
Payroll and Book-keeping	340		480	
Subscriptions	309		218	
Computer costs	1,083			
Rates & water	341		291	
Bank charges	146			
Movement in VAT debtor	(611)		(1,638)	
Total payments		**51,596**		**71,526**
Net payments in year		**11,467**		**(33,637)**
Bank balances brought forward		191,453		225,090
Bank balances carried forward		**202,920**		**191,453**

	2025	2024
	£	£
Bank balances		
Bank current account	94,402	87,457
YB Fixed Term Deposit		
YB Fixed Term Deposit		
Skipton account	29	28
Skipton account	108,490	103,967
Cash in hand		
	202,920	191,453
Other assets		
Garage store at rear of 28 Victoria Road - valuation	80,000	80,000
VAT debtor	569	1,180