

**THE CHESHIRE BRANCH OF THE CAMPAIGN TO  
PROTECT RURAL ENGLAND**

**Receipts and Payments account for the year ended  
31-Dec-23**

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Report to the Trustees of the Cheshire Branch of the Campaign to Protect Rural England

Charity Number 248304

**Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Examiner**

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 of the Act and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the Act;
- follow the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)b of the Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of Independent Examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Branch and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent Examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with Section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

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

Christine Mann CPFA

Sandbach  
Cheshire

Signature



Date

7.3.24

**The Cheshire Branch of the Campaign to Protect Rural England**  
**Year ended 31 December 2023**  
**Receipts and Payments Account**

|  | Note | Unrestricted  | Restricted    | Total         | Total         |
|--|------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
|  |      | Funds         | Funds         | Funds         | Funds         |
|  |      | £             | £             | 2023          | 2022          |
|  |      |               |               | £             | £             |
| <b>Receipts</b>                          |      |               |               |               |               |
| Subscriptions                            |      | 12,100        |               | 12,100        | 12,528        |
| Donations, legacies and<br>Sundry income |      | 5,128         | 15,250        | 20,378        | 10,935        |
| Investment income                        |      | 1,081         |               | 1,081         | 905           |
| Interest received                        |      |               |               | -             | -             |
| Gross Income                             |      | <u>18,309</u> | <u>15,250</u> | <u>33,559</u> | <u>24,368</u> |
| <b>Payments</b>                          |      |               |               |               |               |
| Charitable activities                    | 2    | 13,555        |               | 13,555        | 17,590        |
| Governance costs                         | 3    | 2,987         |               | 2,987         | 2,479         |
| Total payments                           |      | <u>16,542</u> | <u>-</u>      | <u>16,542</u> | <u>20,069</u> |
| <b>Net receipts/(payments)</b>           |      | 1,767         | 15,250        | 17,017        | 4,299         |
| Cash funds at 1 January 2023             |      | 6,749         | -             | 6,749         | 2,450         |
| Cash Funds at 31 December 2023           |      | <u>8,516</u>  | <u>15,250</u> | <u>23,766</u> | <u>6,749</u>  |

**The Cheshire Branch of the Campaign to Protect Rural England**  
**Year ended 31 December 2023**  
**Statement of assets and liabilities**

|  | Note | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Total<br>Funds<br>2023<br>£ | Total<br>Funds<br>2022<br>£ |
|--|------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Cash funds</b>                            |      |                            |                          |                             |                             |
| Bank current account                         |      | 5,457                      | 0                        | 5,457                       | 587                         |
| Bank deposit account                         |      | 3,059                      | 15,250                   | 18,309                      | 6,163                       |
| Cash on hand                                 |      | 0                          | 0                        | 0                           | 0                           |
| <b>Total cash funds</b>                      |      | <b>8,516</b>               | <b>15,250</b>            | <b>23,766</b>               | <b>6,750</b>                |
| <b>Other monetary assets</b>                 |      |                            |                          |                             |                             |
| Sundry debtors                               |      |                            |                          |                             |                             |
| <b>Investment assets</b>                     |      |                            |                          |                             |                             |
| Investment portfolio                         | 4    | 28,196                     | 0                        | 28,196                      | 28,183                      |
| <b>Assets retained for the charity's use</b> |      |                            |                          |                             |                             |
| Fixed assets                                 | 5    | 0                          | 0                        | 0                           | 0                           |
| <b>Liabilities</b>                           |      |                            |                          |                             |                             |
| Sundry creditors                             |      | 0                          | 0                        | 0                           | (581)                       |
| <b>Total assets less liabilities</b>         |      | <b>36,712</b>              | <b>15,250</b>            | <b>51,962</b>               | <b>34,352</b>               |
| <b>Represented by:</b>                       |      |                            |                          |                             |                             |
| Total Unrestricted Funds                     |      | 36,712                     | 0                        | 36,712                      | 34,352                      |
| Total Restricted Funds                       |      |                            | 15,250                   | 15,250                      | 0                           |
| <b>Total Funds</b>                           |      | <b>36,712</b>              | <b>15,250</b>            | <b>51,962</b>               | <b>34,352</b>               |

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

  
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Treasurer & Trustee

Date 7/3/24

**The Cheshire Branch of the Campaign to Protect Rural England**  
**Year ended 31 December 2023**

**Notes to the Accounts**

**1 Accounting convention**

The accounts have been prepared on a cash basis following the guidance provided by The Charity Commission for England and Wales for the completion of a receipts and payments account. Additional information is provided with respect to the valuation of assets and liabilities at the year end to give a better understanding of the types of assets controlled by the trustees and any material liabilities that may need to be met from the funds.

**2 Charitable activities**

|                                  | Unrestricted | Restricted | Total<br>Funds<br>2023 | Total<br>Funds<br>2022 |
|----------------------------------|--------------|------------|------------------------|------------------------|
|                                  | £            | £          | £                      | £                      |
| Wages                            | 8,482        | -          | 8,482                  | 7,984                  |
| Travel and Other Expenses        | 124          | -          | 124                    | 279                    |
| Campaign expenses                | -            | -          | -                      | -                      |
| Consultancy/commissioned work    | 1,260        | -          | 1,260                  | 5,670                  |
| Events                           | 295          | -          | 295                    | 182                    |
| Miscellaneous expenses           | 340          | -          | 340                    | 445                    |
| Postage, printing and stationery | 970          | -          | 970                    | 716                    |
| Rent and service charge          | 2,084        | -          | 2,084                  | 2,304                  |
| Telephone                        | -            | -          | -                      | 10                     |
|                                  | 13,555       | -          | 13,555                 | 17,590                 |

**3 Governance costs**

|   |       |   |       |       |
|---|-------|---|-------|-------|
| Wages re. Financial Services + Meetings | 2,091 | - | 2,091 | 1,968 |
| Travel                                  | 496   | - | 496   | 70    |
| Rent and service charge                 | 110   | - | 110   | 121   |
| Postage, printing and stationery        | 20    | - | 20    | 15    |
| Telephone                               | -     | - | -     | -     |
| Miscellaneous expenses                  | 113   | - | 113   | 148   |
| Insurance                               | 157   | - | 157   | 157   |
|   | 2,987 | - | 2,987 | 2,479 |

**4 Investment portfolio**

|  | 2023<br>£ |
|--|-----------|
| Balance at 1 January 2023  | 28,183    |
| Transfer of a Cash element of Investment Portfolio to Current Account                | -         |
| Increase in value (unrealised gain)/decrease in value (unrealised loss) for the year | 13        |
| Balance at 31 December 2022  | 28,196    |

**5 Fixed assets**

|  | Telephone, fax<br>and equipment<br>£ | Exhibition stand<br>and fittings<br>£ | Office<br>Equipment<br>£ | Total<br>£ |
|--|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------|
| Cost 1 Jan. 2023 and 31 Dec. 2023        | 209                                  | 1,476                                 | 3,657                    | 5,342      |
| Accumulated Depreciation<br>31 Dec. 2023 | 209                                  | 1,476                                 | 3,657                    | 5,342      |
| Net book value at 31 DEC 23              | 0                                    | 0                                     | 0                        | 0          |

**6 Unrestricted/Restricted Funds**

|  | 2023<br>£ |
|--|-----------|
| Balance at 1 January 2023                      | 34,352    |
| Net Cash Increase/(Deficit)                    | 17,017    |
| Unrealised gain/(loss) on investment portfolio | 13        |
| Sundry Creditors                               | 581       |
| Debtors and accruals                           | -         |
|  | 51,963    |