

The Suffolk Horse Society Limited

Annual Report & Financial Statements For the year ended 31st December 2024

Charity Number 220756

Suffolk Horse Society

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 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 December 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 2015).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The Charities Act 2011 sets out an explicit requirement for all charities to have purposes which are for public benefit. Reporting on that benefit became a requirement from 31 March 2009. In response to Section 4 of the Act requiring charity trustees to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission and being aware that the Society must report the activities undertaken to further its charitable purposes for the public benefit the Trustees are satisfied that the charity's objectives are in accordance with the principles of public benefit and that the activities undertaken by the Society during 2024 are in pursuance of those objectives.

Objective: To preserve and promote the breed known as the Suffolk Horse (commonly known as The Suffolk Punch) encouraging ownership and long-term interest in the breed. The Suffolk breed of heavy horse is a livestock animal indigenous to the United Kingdom that has been developed and refined over many generations through careful selection to possess a set of specific inherited characteristics. It is recognised and classified as a Priority Breed on the current RBST Watchlist. However, the Suffolk horse as a breed remains critically endangered. The continuity and prevention from extinction of the Suffolk as a breed conforms to the first principle of public benefit, that the benefit must be identifiable, because not only is the Suffolk a manifestation of a rural cultural heritage but also it constitutes a genetic reservoir and as such is included in the DEFRA conservation strategy for UK Farm Animal Genetic Resources.

The system of stallion licensing, which the Society has maintained since the cessation of the (former) Ministry of Agriculture scheme, continues. In 2013 a new methodology was introduced, whereby the veterinary assessment and Society inspection were conducted at the same time. This has proved effective so was continued in 2024. Three colts were examined during the year, all three were successfully licensed.

During 2024 applications for grant funding were received from 62 Suffolk horse owners. In 2023 an encouraging number of coverings were reported which resulted in a pleasing number of 42 foals registered in 2024. The demand for Suffolk horses has remained buoyant throughout 2024. In 2024 an encouraging number of coverings were also reported which is expected to result in a pleasing number of foals in 2025.

The Trustees are extremely grateful to the Horserace Betting Levy Board (HBLB) for the annual grant which it pays to the Society to be used for the preservation and promotion of the Suffolk breed of heavy horse. In 2024 the Society received £30,500 from the HBLB, which has been used to pay grants to stallion and mare owners in the following categories: stallion and mare health, blood sampling, travelling mares and stallions for the purpose of breeding, stallion licensing, foal registration and promotion of the Suffolk horse breed. The Society augments the HBLB grants by twenty percent from its own resources.

The Society owns semen stocks from 19 stallions, this includes semen collected from one additional stallion in 2024. The Society plans to make further collections in 2025. At least 20% of all semen stocks will not be sold and will be kept in storage to help the diversity of blood lines in the future. The trustees have decided not to value semen stocks in the accounts as it is unknown which semen stock have any value. Any semen purchased from the Society must have permission from the Chairman of the Suffolk Horse Society, the Chairman of the Scientific Committee and the Chairman of the Stud Book and Grants Committee. The SPARKS reports will be used to determine the blood lines of the breeding and semen will be released only for a 'green' mating unless under significant circumstances.

The Society continues to work with Suffolk horse owners to support and encourage more breeding in 2025.

Objective: To collect, verify, preserve and publish pedigrees of the said breed, and other useful information relating thereto. Objective achieved in 2024 by the publication of Volume 100 of the Stud Book, the issuing of equine passports in compliance with UK and EU legislation, and by the gathering of information and registration of animals eligible to appear in Volume 100. Publication has continued in an uninterrupted sequence since Volume 1 was produced in 1880. The integrity of the breed is maintained through meticulous record keeping and careful management of the Stud Book which complies with Commission Decision 96/78/EC laying down the criteria for the entry of animals into equine stud books with the objective of harmonising stud books in European Union countries to enhance the trade in pedigree animals. The Society continued as a passport issuing organisation during the year and participated in focus group work.

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The statistics relating to the population of Suffolk horses in the UK in 2024 are set out below. Those relating to foals registered and stallions licensed are known to be correct, but the other population statistics are dependent upon owners notifying the Society's office of horses which have died and male horses which have been castrated. The accuracy of these statistics has undoubtedly improved as a result of horse owners being reminded, repeatedly, that it is their legal responsibility to report deaths and castrations to the Society. This would account for the fall in total numbers although this figure may still be somewhat overstated.

Stallions licensed and listed in 2024	26
Breeding Mares	72
Registered Foals born in 2024	42
Fillies	22
Colts	20

Objective: To promote the general interests of members of the Society in connection with the breeding and ownership of Suffolk horses. Objective achieved in 2024 by provision of information and broader education about the breed at all levels through publication of two full-colour magazines and a twenty-page supplement. The Society attended a number of shows around the country to promote the Suffolk horse and at the end of 2022 purchased a van which has been wrapped with pictures of working Suffolks. This van attended shows in 2024 to promote the breed and encourage the increase membership subscriptions to the Society.

Objective: To offer prizes or premiums or grants for Suffolk horses. In 2024 The Society paid out £2,285 in grants from the Foal & Youngstock Show, the Young Handlers and Affiliated Shows.

Objective: To raise and manage funds, and generally to do all such lawful things which may be incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objectives. The Suffolk Horse Society was fortunate to receive a substantial legacy in 2024 which has been designated to fund projects specifically to help increase genetic diversity and reduce the level of inbreeding co-efficiency.

In 2025 the Society plans to do more fund raising by organising events, attending shows and by selling more merchandise. The Society is fortunate to receive regular donations from members and supporters, and continues to encourage more members to sign up to Gift Aid to help increase donations in 2025.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Society's financial position improved considerably in 2024 with the receipt of three legacies from the estates of Mrs Brenda Kirk, Mr Peter Hindley and Susan Mary Mann. With three other small legacies being received our total legacy income in the year was £323,479. Income from trading was slightly lower but we have benefitted from the higher interest rates on offer from our investment income. Some of the legacy monies received has been invested in short term fixed rate deposits and have been earmarked for the genetic diversity project mentioned above, whilst some has been invested in longer term investments. Without the legacies we would have shown a deficit on day to day income and expenses.

The Society has funds available for investment into projects and activities designed to strengthen the Society and increase its capacity to fulfil its charitable objectives and to safeguard the future of the Suffolk Horse breed.

The net assets of the Society increased by £386,154, which was much higher than expected and arose following the receipt of the legacies as well as an increase of 5.37% in the market value of investments.

The Society's reserves policy is to maintain current financial reserves in excess of one year's running costs of the Society.

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STAFF

The Society in 2024 continued to operate with two part time staff: Mrs Belinda Rudderham and Mrs Liz Pardey (who joined the staff in March 2024). The combined hours of the staff was 53 hours per week. Additionally, officers of the Society have assisted with office duties when the need arises.

The website is regularly updated with all information that is of interest to Suffolk Horse Society members and owners. The Grassroots database system has been scrutinised and all memberships have now been updated or chased. The membership system is fully operational enabling members to look and change details for themselves, and the office staff are able to produce accurate reports as and when required. Early in 2025 all breed societies will 'migrate' to a new platform within the Grassroots pedigree recording system.

FUTURE PLANS

The Society will continue to raise the public profile of the Society with the objective of significantly increasing the Society's membership and of encouraging more people to own and breed Suffolk horses. The purchase of the Suffolk Horse Society van is with this, as it provides staff accommodation and facilities to attend shows throughout the country for more than one day at a time.

Grants in 2025 will continue to use the SPARKS system to determine optimum matings and grants are awarded to encourage genetic diversity, by monitoring mean kinship.

Progress continues to be made, but there are still more people who need to be persuaded to become members of the Society to give their support to the breed even though they may not own a Suffolk horse. The Society's website contains information about horses which are for sale and details of people seeking to purchase a horse. The Society will continue to promote innovative uses for Suffolk horses including riding and private driving. The aim is to create a growing demand for Suffolk horses which will, in turn, encourage more mare owners to breed from their animals.

In 2024, the Society embarked upon plans to develop a series of projects focussing specifically on producing the next generation of brood mares and stallions by encouraging matings which produce progeny with the lowest inbreeding coefficients. These projects remain ongoing and have included the import of semen from a genetically rare bloodline from a registered Suffolk stallion in Australia. Towards the end of 2024 the 'Colt Project' was launched whereby a small number of genetically significant colts were identified and assessed, this project continues in 2025.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

The Suffolk Horse Society is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 27 October 1891 (registration number 35060) and registered as a charity on 7 January 1964 (charity number 220756). The principal activity of the charitable company continues to be a charity whose purpose is to preserve and promote the Suffolk horse breed. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association, which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association as originally defined and as subsequently amended by Special Resolutions filed with Companies House.

In 2022 a working party of trustees reviewed and updated the Articles of Association using the model recommended by the Charity Commission. The updated Articles of Association were put to the membership in a Special Resolution at the 2023 AGM. The Special Resolution narrowly missed gaining approval and on the advice of a specialist charity lawyer, the updated Articles of Association were put to the membership at the 2024 AGM. Members were able to vote in person or by a proxy vote which is a statutory right of members.

Ensors LLP Chartered Accountants were appointed as official scrutineer to conduct the Special Resolution. The Special Resolution was passed and the Articles of Association duly updated.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The Trustees who have served during the year are set out on page six. The Society is governed by its Trustees who are elected to the governing Council from the membership at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) and serve for a period of four years, after which period they may put themselves forward for re-election. All Council and Committee members are volunteers and receive no remuneration in respect of their services. Any paid-up member of the Society who is willing to serve and to attend meetings and who wishes to stand for election to the Council may put forward in writing his or her name, which must be supported in writing by two members. The AGM in 2024 was conducted in person. Four members applied to be a Trustee in 2024; since the number of nominees did not exceed the number of places available, these four nominees were appointed to Council at the AGM.

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New Trustees are made aware that as Trustees they carry out the function of and have similar responsibilities to directors of commercial organisations. The role, which carries with it specified legal obligations is defined by the Charity Commission of England and Wales, which states that they have become Related Parties and therefore the transactions that they have with the Society have to be recorded as Related Party Transactions. All Trustees are asked to accurately record all declarations of interest in order to avoid any possible conflicts of interest.

In addition to bi-monthly Council meetings, there are four sub-committees: Marketing Committee, Stud Book and Grants Committee, Shows and Events Committee, and Scientific Committee. The sub-committees usually meet bi-monthly, either in person or virtually.

Risk management

The Trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

In cognisance of their obligations and of Charity Commission Guideline CC25 Managing Charity Risk and Resources, the Trustees make periodic examinations of the major strategic, business and operational risks that the charity may face and monitor the Society's exposure to major risk.

The major risks of the Society have been identified and a management strategy for dealing with them has been drawn up.

The major risks are:

1. That a fire or other disaster might destroy the Society's office and the records contained in it. Fire alarms and fire prevention equipment are in place. Duplicate records are downloaded and stored in another place.
2. That the Society's secretaries might, for some reason, be prevented from working for an extended period of time, in which case temporary replacements would be hired.
3. That the Society's funds might be plundered by fraud or failure of an institution with which they were invested. The funds of the Society are invested and held by a number of different institutions. Regular checks and balances are made to ensure that all funds remain in place. Additionally, the Council seeks advice of an independent 'investment scrutineer' to review all investments.
4. That there might be a serious accident at one of the Society's events causing personal injury or even death. The Society ensures that a Risk Assessment is produced for each event and that action is taken to mitigate risks that have been identified. The Society has public liability insurance up to £10,000,000; employers' liability up to £10,000,000; and trustees' indemnity cover up to £1,000,000 per trustee.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

00035060 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

220756

Registered office

Suite 8 Britannia House
Bentwaters Business Park
Rendlesham
Suffolk
IP12 2TW

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Trustees

Mr Neil Adams	Resigned 5 th September 2024
Mr Charles Cooke	Retired 20 th April 2024
Mr Mark Donsworth	Chairman Scientific Committee
Clare, Countess of Euston	
Mr John Fleming	Chairman Stud Book & Grants Committee
Mrs Jayne Groom	Chairman Marketing Committee, President Elect
Mrs Cheryl Grover	
Mr Alan Hawes	Treasurer
Mrs Andrea Hoskins	
Mr Frank Kinge	
Mr Bruce Langley McKim	
Mr John Latham	
Mr George Pratt	
Mrs Mary Ryder-Davies	Retiring President
Mrs Gail Sprake	Vice Chairman & Company Secretary
Mr Paul Smith	Chairman Shows & Events Committee
Mr Chris Spalding	
Mr Neil Syrett	President
Miss Sue Wager	Suffolk Horse Society Chairman Stud Book Coordinator

Company Secretary

Mrs Gail Sprake

Independent Examiners

Ensors LLP
Chartered Accountants
Blyth House
Rendham Road
Saxmundham
Suffolk
IP17 1WA

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 3rd April and signed on its behalf by:


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Mrs G Sprake - Secretary

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Statement of Financial Activities
For the year ended 31 December 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	2024 Total	2023 Total
INCOME & ENDOWMENTS						
Membership Subscriptions		31,739	-	-	31,739	30,238
Donations and Grants		27,667	30,635	-	58,302	60,367
Legacies		173,479	150,000	-	323,479	6,250
Gift Aid		12,766	-	-	12,766	0
Trading Activities	4	38,204	-	-	38,204	45,011
Investment Income	5	46,373	11,933	-	58,306	46,415
Total Income		330,228	192,568	-	522,796	188,281
EXPENDITURE						
Raising Funds	6	46,306	-	-	46,306	50,007
Grants		-	34,504	-	34,504	31,130
Charitable Activities	7	112,081	15,471	-	127,552	106,656
Total Expenditure		158,387	49,975	-	208,362	187,793
Net income and net movements in funds before gains and losses on investments		171,841	142,593	-	314,434	488
Net Gains /Loss on Investments		70,373	- 182	1,529	71,720	99,813
Net income and net movement in funds		242,214	142,411	1,529	386,154	100,301
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS						
Total Funds brought forward		1,266,906	89,985	58,755	1,415,646	1,315,345
Total Funds carried forward		1,509,120	232,396	60,284	1,801,800	1,415,646

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All income and expenditure derives from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 10 to 14 form part of these financial statements

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Balance Sheet 31st December 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	2024 Total	2023 Total
FIXED ASSETS						
Heritage Assets	8	60,960	-	-	60,960	60,960
Tangible Assets	9	13,590	-	-	13,590	20,342
Investments	10	1,199,687	149,818	60,284	1,409,789	1,135,613
		1,274,237	149,818	60,284	1,484,339	1,216,915
CURRENT ASSETS						
Stocks	11	3,884	-	-	3,884	2,110
Debtors	12	14,097	2,806	-	16,903	18,366
Investments	13	230,000	94,465	-	324,465	199,542
Cash at Bank		12,354	4,686	-	7,668	11,204
		260,335	92,585	-	352,920	231,222
CURRENT LIABILITIES						
Creditors- Amounts falling due within one year	14	-	10,007	-	35,459	32,491
NET CURRENT ASSETS		234,883	82,578	-	317,461	198,731
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES						
		1,509,120	232,396	60,284	1,801,800	1,415,646
NET ASSETS						
		1,509,120	232,396	60,284	1,801,800	1,415,646
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY						
Unrestricted Funds :						
General Fund					1,509,120	1,266,906
Restricted Funds:						
Breeding Fund					232,396	89,985
Endowment Fund:						
Breeding Appeal Fund					60,284	58,755
Total charity Funds	15				1,801,800	1,415,646

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

The notes on pages 10 to 14 form part of these financial statements

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Balance Sheet - Continued 31st December 2024

For the financial year in question the company was entitled to exemption under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

No members have required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibility for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and for the preparation of the accounts.

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 the 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.

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 3rd April 2025 and were signed on its behalf by -



Ms S Wager
Chairman



Mrs G Sprake
Vice Chairman

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Notes to the financial statements For the year ended 31 December 2024

1. General Information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a registered charity in England and Wales and is a company incorporated and limited by guarantee.

The address of the principle office is Suite 8 Britannia House Rendlesham Suffolk IP12 2TZ.

2. Statement of Compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, The Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK published in October 2019, and the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view of the Charity.

3. Accounting Policies

Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value through income and expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Going Concern

The accounts have been prepared on the going concern basis and the Trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist. The trustees have considered the level of funds held and the expected income and expenditure for the next 12 months from authorising these financial statements. The budgeted income and expenditure is sufficient with the level of reserves for the Charity to be able to continue as a going concern. The trustees have taken into account the impact of COVID19 in making this assessment.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the Charities objectives.

Restricted funds are amounts where the donor has specified the purpose of the use of the funds and relate to donations and grants given for breeding purposes.

Endowment funds relate to funds received for a restricted purpose. The investment income received from the capital invested can be spent on this purpose, with the capital remaining as an investment.

Income

Income is included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the Charity; it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the Charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- Income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.
- Investment Income is recognised once a dividend has been declared.
- Short term deposit interest is included when the amount can be measured.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.
- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by the charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its members, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity.
- Grants payable are recognised in the accounts at the point at which the charity has undertaken an obligation to make payment out of existing funds. Generally this is when the recipient has met any conditions of the award and the grant has been approved for payment by the trustees.

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Impairment of fixed assets

A review of indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

Financial Instruments

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and consequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from Corporation Tax on its charitable activities.

4. Other Trading Activities

	2024	2023
Income from Events	23,284	27,091
Sale of Promotional Items	12,214	16,185
Other Income (Including semen sales)	2,706	1,734
	<u>38,204</u>	<u>45,010</u>

5. Investment Income

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2024 Total Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2023 Total Funds
Dividend Income	37,378	6,774	44,152	34,308	3,501	37,809
Interest Received	8,995	5,159	14,154	5,240	3,366	8,606
	<u>46,373</u>	<u>11,933</u>	<u>58,306</u>	<u>39,548</u>	<u>6,867</u>	<u>46,415</u>

6. Raising Funds

	2024	2023
Costs of Membership	17,362	13,256
Promotion and Furtherance	7,070	12,207
Expenditure on Events	12,925	13,276
Promotional Items	8,949	11,268
	<u>46,306</u>	<u>50,007</u>

7. Charitable Activities

Employment Costs	58,642	54,480
Office Costs	25,839	26,774
Sundries	0	271
Breeding Costs	0	-
Depreciation of Tangible Assets	6,752	5,516
Bank Charges	1,677	1,583
Accountancy, Legal and Professional fees	19,171	11,676
	<u>112,081</u>	<u>100,300</u>

Restricted Funds -

Semen Collection Costs	10,216	0
Frozen Semen storage costs	1,956	2,037
Mare Breeding Sub Fertility	0	0
Bloods & DNA	2,302	2,702
Stallion Licensing Expenses	997	1,617
	<u>127,552</u>	<u>106,656</u>

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8. Heritage Assets

These consist of 25 paintings valued by John Day in March 2019
Market Value at 1st January and 31 December 2024

	2024	2023
Market Value at 1st January and 31 December 2024	60,960	60,960
Net Book Value at 31st December 2024 and 2023	60,960	60,960

9. Tangible Fixed Assets

	2024 Plant And Machinery	2023 Plant And Machinery
Cost		
At 1st January 2024	40,939	42,241
Additions	0	4,635
On Disposals	-2,994	-5,937
At 31st December 2024	37,945	40,939
Depreciation		
At 1st January 2024	20,597	19,619
Charge for the year	6,752	6,915
On Disposals	-2,994	-5,937
At 31st December 2024	24,355	20,597
Net Book Value		
At 31st December 2024	13,590	20,342
At 31st December 2023	20,342	22,622

Depreciation is provided at 25% on cost.

10. Investments

Listed Investments -

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Fund	Endowment Fund	Total 2024	Total 2023
Cost or Valuation -					
At 1st January 2024	1,076,858	-	58,755	1,135,613	1,035,800
Purchases	52,456	150,000	-	202,456	-
Sales	-	-	-	-	-
Fair Value Movements	70,373	- 182	1,529	71,720	99,813
At 31st December 2024	1,199,687	149,818	60,284	1,409,789	1,135,613

All investments shown above are held at valuation.

11. Stocks

	2024	2023
Merchandise	3,884	2,110
	3,884	2,110

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

12. Debtors

	2024	2023
Trade Debtors	-	75
Prepayments and accrued income	14,995	12,616
Other debtors	1,908	5,675
	16,903	18,366

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13. Investments

	2024	2023
Short-Term deposits	324,465	199,542

14. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
Trade Creditors	11,857	7,183
Social security and other taxes	370	382
Pension Liabilities	174	378
Accruals and Deferred Income	23,058	24,548
	35,459	32,491

15. Total Charity Funds

	At 01/01/2024	Income	Expenditure	Investment Gains(Losses)	At 31/12/2024
Unrestricted Fund	1,266,906	330,228	158,387	70,373	1,509,120
Restricted Fund	89,985	192,568	49,975	-182	232,396
Endowment Fund	58,755	-	-	1,529	60,284
	1,415,646	522,796	208,362	71,720	1,801,800
	At 01/01/2023	Income	Expenditure	Investment Gains(losses)	At 31/12/2023
Unrestricted Fund	1,176,445	139,544	150,307	101,224	1,266,906
Restricted Fund	78,734	48,737	37,486	-	89,985
Endowment Fund	60,166	-	-	- 1,411	58,755
	1,315,345	188,281	187,793	99,813	1,415,646

Analysis of Net Assets

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
Heritage Assets	60,960	-	-	60,960	60,960
Tangible Assets	13,590	-	-	13,590	20,342
Investments	1,199,687	149,818	60,284	1,409,789	1,135,613
Current Assets	260,335	92,585	-	352,920	231,222
Current Liabilities	- 25,452	- 10,007	-	- 35,459	- 32,491
	1,509,120	232,396	60,284	1,801,800	1,415,646

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16. Related Parties

During the year, the charity made grants to the following persons who are trustees of the charity:

	2024	2023
Mr J Fleming	645	1,020
Mr F A Kinge	1,325	1,000
Mr B McKim	1,048	3,114
Mr G Pratt	1,115	1,017
Mrs A Hoskins	2,087	730
Mr P Smith	625	130
Mrs J Groom	950	945
Mr J Latham	815	275
Mr C Spalding	20	-

17. Trustee remuneration and expenses

Mr A Hawes has received fees of £3,500 for accounting services during the year. No other trustee or any person connected with them received any remuneration in the year. The charity paid a total of £1,782 to Trustees as a reimbursement of expenses during the year. (2023: £1,632)

18. Contingencies

At the 31st December 2024 the company had no contingencies not provided for in the accounts. (2023: Nil).

19. Controlling party

The ultimate controlling party is considered to be the Members.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE SUFFOLK HORSE SOCIETY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of The Suffolk Horse Society (the charity) for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As trustees of the charity (and also its directors for the purpose of Company Law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act') and the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the charity are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements 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 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- i. the accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- ii. the financial statements did not accord with those accounting records; or
- iii. the financial statements did not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- iv. the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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 financial statements to be reached.



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Dated: 08/04/2025