

Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements For the year ended 31 December 2018

Mission Statement

"To connect people with nature and safeguard threatened species."

Company Information

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Committee, Co-opted May 2018 previously elected

Chair of Nomination and Remuneration Committee

Elected May 2018, previously co-opted

Resigned May 2018, previously co-opted

Co-opted

Chief Executive

Barbara Smith BSc (Hons), FloD

Independent Committee appointments

Neil Dunn

Laura Lawson

Independent member of the Audit and Risk Management Committee

Independent member of the Audit and Risk Management Committee

 Ω member of the Audit & Risk Management Committee during the year ^ member of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee during the year

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Company Information

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Trustees' annual report

Structure, governance and management

Legal structure

The Royal Zoological Society of Scotland (the Society) was founded in 1909, instituted by Royal Charter in 1913, and in 1948 was granted by His Majesty King George VI the privilege of adding the prefix "Royal" to its name. Amendments to the Society's Charter and Statutes were approved by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II and the Privy Council in 1958, 1961, 1975, 2008 and 2015.

The Society is registered as a charity with the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator, registration number SC004064.

Governance

The governance of the Society is vested in its Trustees and Management. Trustees undertake their duties on an unpaid voluntary basis. The management team are paid employees of the Society.

President

The President is appointed by the Board principally to act as an ambassador for the Society. The President is not a member of the Board, is not a trustee and receives no remuneration.

Board Members

Members of the Society's governing Board are the Trustees of the Society within the meaning of s106 of the Charity and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 (the Act). The Board's role is to oversee the proper management and development of the Society according to its aims and objectives, to ensure that the Society complies with prevailing legislation and regulations, and to make decisions on the key matters facing the Society. The Board met formally eight times during the year.

The Board consists of up to twelve members elected at Annual General Meetings and up to a further three members co-opted by the Board on the recommendation of the Nominations Committee to complement the skills of elected Board members. Immediately after the Annual General Meeting each year the Board appoints a Chairman and Vice-Chairman from its number.

Elected Board Members are appointed for a term of four years, are eligible for a further two terms of four years and, on the recommendation of the Nominations Committee, may be eligible for one further four year term. No Board Member can serve for longer than 16 years in total.

If an elected member is, for whatever reason, unable to complete his/her term of appointment the Board may, on the recommendation of the Nominations Committee, co-opt a Member of the Society to fill the vacancy until the end of the term.

Board members co-opted on the basis of their skills, may be co-opted for up to four years.

Principal Committees

The Audit & Risk Management Committee, which met four times in the year, comprises one Board member as Chairman, two other members of the Board and at least one independent member. Its remit includes, but is not limited to:

- conducting the appointment and management of auditors and investment managers;
- reviewing the financial statements and recommending them to the Board for approval;
- · monitoring implementation of recommendations in audit reports; and
- risk management, audit and investment policy and procedures.

The Nominations and Remunerations Committee comprises one Board member as Chairman and two additional Board members. Its remit includes responsibility for identifying and recommending suitable individuals for election as trustees and supporting the Society's Chairman in reviewing board performance. It met three times during the year.

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Trustee Recruitment and Induction

In line with good governance the Board seeks to maintain a balanced mix of knowledge, skills and expertise so as to manage the assets of the Society effectively. The Nominations Committee recommends potential candidates to the Board for co-option, having first met them and understood their potential contribution, and oversees the AGM nominations and election process.

Once elected or co-opted new Board members meet with the Chief Executive and Chairman, and participate in a formal induction programme. This programme includes, among other things:

- a briefing on the Society's strategic plans;
- a briefing on their responsibilities as trustees and the governance of the Society;
- detailed briefings from each member of the Leadership Team;
- précis of relevant policies; and
- familiarisation tours of Edinburgh Zoo and Highland Wildlife Park.

Trustees are encouraged to attend external briefing events, seminars and meetings in support of the Society from time to time as they are able. Contact between Leadership Team and the Board is encouraged through Leadership Team attendance at sub-Committee meetings, trustee participation in working groups and informal meetings.

Executive Team

The Executive Team is responsible for designing policies and procedures to support the strategies authorised by the Board, as well as managing the day-to-day operations of the Society and its trading subsidiary.

The Executive Team comprises the:

Chief Executive
Director of Finance and Resources

Director of Conservation and Living Collections Director of Human Resources

Risk management

The Society's risk register is reviewed at each meeting of the Audit & Risk Management Committee and by the Board bi-annually, or as high priority risks emerge. The Board has conducted its annual review of the major risks to which the Society is exposed and associated actions, procedures and contingency plans to mitigate those risks and is satisfied with the management of those risks. The key risks, as assessed by the Trustees, are related to not achieving visitor targets, which is the main driver of income for the Society. Two key factors influence visitor numbers, firstly the animal collection and visitor experience and secondly the weather. The Trustees mitigate these factors by budgeting prudent visitor numbers that reflect new animal attractions within the parks. Marketing and promotions are also focused on attracting visitors. In addition consideration is given to weatherproofing aspects of the sites during the planning process and for each new exhibit.

Internal audit

The Society's Internal Audit function provides assurance to the Audit and Risk Management Committee over the operations of the Society's systems of governance, risk management and internal control.

Provision of internal audit was tendered during the year and Wylie Bisset were appointed in November 2018.

Remuneration of key management

The Society's Nominations and Remuneration Committee sets the pay level of the Chief Executive on an annual basis on the basis of performance and relevant sector benchmarking.

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Objectives and activities

Charitable objectives

The charitable objects (Objects) of the Society are set out in the Royal Charter. These are:

- the advancement of animal welfare by promoting the conservation of threatened species and habitats; and
- the advancement of education through the above mentioned object and by promoting, facilitating and encouraging the study of zoology, animal physiology, pathology, dietetics and kindred subjects and to foster and develop among the wider public an interest in and knowledge of animal life.
- In the furtherance of the above mentioned objects, the Society can carry out the following:
 - (a) investigate the habits, migrations and life histories of animals now or formerly occurring in Scotland and in Scottish seas and to disseminate knowledge thereof;
 - (b) effect the conservation of wild animals and their habitats in Scotland, and to promote legislation thereof; and if deemed necessary to oppose legislation tending to have adverse influence thereon;
 - (c) establish, equip, carry on and develop zoological parks or gardens and living zoological collections at such places in Scotland as the Society shall determine;
 - (d) take part in conservation and research fieldwork and related activities in other countries and where appropriate for conservation purposes collect samples of animals and plants for return to the Society;
 - (e) at such times and places as the Society may deem expedient, establish, equip, provide and maintain an animal hospital, a museum or museums, a library or libraries, a laboratory or laboratories to assist the study of zoology and kindred subjects; and lecture rooms and institute lectures and demonstrations;
 - (f) create, offer, promote and award honours, medals and certificates for services rendered to the science of zoology, or to the objects and work of the Society and to institute Fellowships;
 - (g) promote by such means as the Society may deem expedient a knowledge of animal life and habits among the pupils and students of schools and educational institutions; and
 - (h) commission, produce, distribute, publish and pay the cost of publishing books, pamphlets, and other literature which the Society may regard as tending to further its objects or as being of service to the science of zoology and to contribute to and promote such literature.".

The Society interprets these detailed objectives as being the promotion and pursuit of Conservation, Education and Research in the sphere of Animal and Zoological Science.

Principal objectives for the year

The objectives in 2018 were:

- · achieving targeted levels of visitor numbers;
- keeping costs under control, focusing on revenue-generating activities and targeting a sustainable surplus position;
- enhancing the visitor experience by refocusing the Animal Collection and resource inputs to the improvement of the Estate;
- seeking funding and working in partnership to further enhance our research and conservation programmes and improve our facilities;
- Continuing to fulfil our mission objectives.

Significant activities

The principal activities of the Society are the pursuit of Conservation, Education and Research activities funded through grants and the surpluses generated from operating the two animal parks in Edinburgh and Kincraig.

The Society owns and operates Edinburgh Zoo and the Highland Wildlife Park. The commercial activities of the Society are carried on by its wholly-owned subsidiary, Ark Enterprises Limited (Ark). Taxable profits generated by Ark are donated to the Society under Gift Aid legislation. The results of Ark are consolidated into the financial statements on pages 15 to 35.

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Achievements and performance

Membership and volunteers

The total number of members of the Society increased by 12% during the year. A significant amount of work has been undertaken to ensure that members of the Society have both a voice and influence as appropriate in the activities of the Society. The Society benefits significantly from the active support of volunteers both at Edinburgh Zoo and the Highland Wildlife Park. The Society is indebted to the work and dedication of our volunteers and we thank them for all that they do.

Department	Number of Volunteers
Edinburgh Zoo	96
Highland Wildlife Park	5

Volunteers undertake a wide range of activities which include: supporting staff; visitor engagement; acting as animal wardens; production of membership packs; and general administration. Volunteers are required to attend training and are subject to appropriate oversight to ensure they remain safe and follow the policies and procedures of the Society.

Visitors

Visitor numbers at Edinburgh Zoo were 510,000 in 2018, a decrease of 2% on 2017. The poor weather in the first quarter of 2018 contributed to this reduction.

At the Highland Wildlife Park the number of visitors increased to 206,000, a record increase of 68% on 2017. This was due to the birth of Hamish, the polar bear; the first polar bear cub to be born in the UK for 25 years.

Conservation, engagement and research

Native Species: Our work with Scottish Wildcat Action has been very successful with RZSS playing a leading role in the captive breeding for release aspect of the project and the genetic management of this species, culminating in kittens being born in specially designed facilities which mimic natural wildcat habitat. As one of the lead partners in Scottish Beavers, further beavers were released at Knapdale augmenting the population in the penultimate year of licensed releases.

International: The Budongo Conservation Field Station in Uganda carried on providing protection and monitoring of the chimpanzee population in the Budongo Forest as well as supporting local communities through community education and health programmes. The Giant Armadillo and Giant Anteater Project had a successful year in the Pantanal with landowners and key policy makers becoming more engaged with the need to protect these species. In addition to the continued work at the Living Links research centre at Edinburgh Zoo another facility, the Budongo Research Unit, was established to work with the chimpanzees supporting studies on primate behaviour and where possible using the information to compare to the wild chimpanzees in the Budongo Forest in Uganda.

WildGenes: The WildGenes lab is now one of the top labs in Europe using genetic data to inform conservation management policies and work focused on wildcat genetics, antelope population management and ivory DNA identification to monitor the illegal wildlife trade.

Engagement: Within our discovery and learning remit, 2018 continued to deliver stronger links to our conservation work. Our programmes at Edinburgh Zoo and the Highland Wildlife Park, provided unique learning experiences that are valued by participants and schools. Our outreach education programme, delivered by the Wild about Scotland bus (a partnership with the Clydesdale Bank) ended very successfully in 2018 having visited over 700 school and community groups and engaged with 97,000 people.

Animal Collection

As in previous years, the planning of the Society's animal collections in the two parks is mainly based upon the European Association of Zoos and Aquariums' (EAZA) regional collection plans. As an active member of EAZA, the Society has a responsibility to work in accordance with their various recommendations.

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Financial review

Trading performance

Performance at Edinburgh Zoo in the first quarter of 2018 was impacted by poor weather. Though performance largely recovered, visitor numbers were 2% down on 2017. The birth of Hamish, the first polar bear cub to be born in the UK for 25 years, at the Highland Wildlife Park, attracted huge public interest and visitor numbers increased by 68% to a record high of 206,000.

A change in the contractual arrangements for catering at Edinburgh Zoo increased both catering turnover and costs.

Event income increased significantly due to the success of the Giant Lanterns of China Festival which ran over the winter of 2017 and into 2018.

Membership income increased following a successful reactivation campaign

Costs increased in 2018. This was principally due to the change in the contractual arrangements for catering at Edinburgh Zoo, costs associated with the Giant Lanterns of China Festival and additional pension costs.

Overall the Society achieved a net surplus of £0.6m in 2018 (2017 deficit £0.4m). The net movement in funds for the year was £0.7m (2017 deficit £0.4m) after taking account of investment gains/losses and movement in the valuation of the pension fund.

Income 2017	£14.6
Visitors	+£1,1
Trading (retail/catering)	+£1.8
Events	+£0.7
Membership	+£0.1
Income 2018	£18.3

Principal expense movem	ents (£m)
Expenditure 2017	£15.4
Trading (retail/catering)	+1.6
Conservation	-0.2
Events	÷0.4
Other	+0,3
Expenditure 2018	£17,5

Pension Scheme

The Society operates two pension schemes: a defined benefit scheme which closed to future accrual with effect from 1 October 2008 and a defined contribution scheme established on 1 April 2008.

The financial results for the year reflect the results of the full actuarial valuation of the Society's defined benefit pension scheme at 1 April 2018, updated as at 31 December 2018 in accordance with the requirements of Financial Reporting Standard 102. The pension deficit is £454,800 at 31 December 2018 (2017: £537,800). This decrease in deficit is due to the combined impact of the funding position, discount rates and market conditions; all external factors.

Members of the defined benefit scheme were offered membership of a new defined contribution scheme with effect from 1 October 2008. All core staff have been and continue to be offered the option to join the Society's defined contribution scheme. In April 2018 the minimum employee contribution increased from 1.5% to 2.5% of pensionable salary and the Society matches contributions to a maximum of 5%.

Reserves Policy

The Board has established a reserves policy whereby free reserves should approximate to at least 3 months of the minimum resources required to sustain operations. This policy equates to approximately £2.1m. At this level the Board considers that it would be able to continue the current activities of the Society in the event of a significant drop in funding.

The Society's free reserves (excluding pension liabilities) are £2.3m (2017: £2.1m). The Board currently considers that the Society has adequate reserves to sustain operations and pay down its long term liabilities as they become due. The Board, however, aspires to securing additional reserves to continue to develop and invest in the parks and to further the conservation and education mission of the Society.

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Going Concern

The trustees have considered carefully the likely outcome for the next 12 months and have taken into account a number of factors in this review. These include:

- the trading performance between 2017 and 2018;
- trading to date in 2019;
- improvements in the Animal Collection;
- enhancements to the Estate;
- forward cash projections for 2019;
- · continuing scheduled repayments of bank loans; and
- projected continued improvements in trading performance.

Consequently, the Board are of the view that the Society remains a going concern and has adequate funds in place for its on-going operations.

Investment powers and policy

Under the terms of the Royal Charter, the Society has powers to invest. The trustees, having regard to the liquidity requirements of the Society and its reserves policy, hold a range of investments in order to secure a better rate of return than bank deposits.

Our investments are managed by the Society's investment managers Adam and Company. Trustees are mindful that certain investments bear a higher risk than others and have issued the Investment Manager with instructions to pay particular attention to the risk and volatility of the Society's portfolio relative to current market conditions. The Audit and Risk Management Committee receive regular reports and are satisfied with the performance of the portfolio during 2018 taking into account the general performance of the market.

During 2018 the portfolio decreased in value by 6% to £3.3 million.

Taxation

The Society is recognised as a charity by HM Revenue and Customs for the purposes of the Corporation Tax Act 2000 part II and is exempt from income and corporation tax on all of its charitable activities. Consequently, no tax is payable on the surplus for the year.

The Society's wholly owned subsidiary, Ark Enterprises Limited, gifted its net distributable taxable profits to the Society in 2017 and 2018. These represent qualifying donations under s191 to s202 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 and consequently Ark has no liability to corporation tax in either year.

Auditors

Following a tender exercise undertaken in 2016 MHA Henderson Loggie were re-appointed as the society's external auditors.

Maintenance and integrity of the Society's website

The work carried out by the auditors does not involve consideration of the publication of our financial results on the Society website. Accordingly, the auditors accept no responsibility for any changes that may have occurred since the financial statements were first presented on the website.

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Plans for the future

In May 2017 the Board of Trustees approved a new five year Strategy Plan (2018 - 2022).

There are six strategic goals:

- Our animals: Providing exemplary animal care within an engaging, diverse and mission focused collection
- Our people: Realising the aspirations of our staff, volunteers and other stakeholders as part of one RZSS team
- Conservation: Applying our collective expertise to species restoration both in Scotland and around the world
- Engagement: Moving people from empathy to action through innovative conservation education and memorable experiences
- Research: Enabling evidence-based conservation activity through research and partnerships
- Sustainable growth: Growing a sustainable and diverse business, built from two world-class visitor attractions

The Executive team are focused upon the delivery of these strategic goals and in the next 12 months:

Our animals

Our animal collection will undergo further review to ensure that we achieve a collection which delivers an appropriate balance of visitor experience and fulfilment of our conservation objectives and obligations

Our people

Our People Strategy will continue to be implemented and developed to ensure appropriate recruitment, motivation and retention of the Society's staff. We wish to foster a culture of engagement, openness and teamwork which will help deliver the Society's strategic objectives in a sustainable and engaging way. A review of pay and grading is underway and due for completion in 2019.

Conservation and Research

Our applied science and field programmes will be assessed to make sure we focus on priority areas of need and skills in order that we make the best possible 'investment' decisions.

Sustainable growth

Our facilities, infrastructure and enclosures in the two parks will continue to be replaced and upgraded. The infrastructure at Edinburgh Zoo reflects the age of the site and a programme of investment has been put in place which aims to deal with the replacement or maintenance of the Estate over a ten-year period. At Kincraig plans continue to be developed during the year to substantially develop the park and replace the visitor centre. Environmental management standards are being considered as part of our overall sustainability programme.

Our commercial operations will be reviewed and new opportunities explored to ensure we maximise revenues and expand our supported base and achieve a sustainable financial platform.

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Act 1990, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charity Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 require the trustees to ensure that accounts are prepared for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the affairs of the Society for that period. In preparing these accounts the Board are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the accounts;
- Prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Society will continue in operation;
- Ensure that proper accounting records are kept;
- Take adequate steps to safeguard the assets of the Society; and
- Take reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

In accordance with charities legislation, as a Board of Trustees, we confirm that:

- As a Board of Trustees we have taken all the steps that we ought to have taken in order to make ourselves aware of any relevant audit information; and
- So far as we are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Society's auditors are unaware.

Jeremy Peat Chair

On behalf of the Board of Trustees

2 May 2019

Independent Auditor's Report for the Members of the Royal Zoological Society of Scotland For the year ended 31 December 2018

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Royal Zoological Society of Scotland (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 December 2018 which comprise the group and parent charity Statements of Financial Activities, the group and parent Balance Sheets, the group and parent charity Cashflow Statements and the related notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the group and parent charity's affairs as at 31 December 2018 and of its income and expenditure for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and Regulation 8 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended)

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the Trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the Trustees have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that
 may cast significant doubt about the charity's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of
 accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are
 authorised for issue.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the Report of the Trustees, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The Trustees are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

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In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charity Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- The information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the trustees' report; or
- proper accounting records have not been kept, or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of Trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' responsibilities the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to cease operations or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditor under section 44(1)(c) of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Independent Auditor's Report for the Members of the Royal Zoological Society of Scotland For the year ended 31 December 2018

This report is made solely to the trustees, as a body, in accordance with Section 44 (1)(c) of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and Regulation 10 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and its members as a body for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

MHA Henderson Loggie

Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditor

Eligible to act as an auditor in terms of section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006 11-15 Thistle Street, Edinburgh EH2 1DF

2 May 2019

MHA Henderson Loggie is a trading name of Henderson Loggie LLP

Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities For the year ended 31 December 2018

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Fund £	Total 2018 £	Total 2017 £
Income and endowments from:		L	r	-		-
Donations and legacies	2	546,087	291,291	-	837,378	1,373,733
Charitable activities	3	10,762,176	24,527	-	10,786,703	9,471,030
Other trading activities	4	5,679,269	- 1,5	-	5,679,269	3,268,310
Investments	5	427,190	_	11,521	438,711	427,635
Other	6	25,286	575,965	,	601,251	42,106
Total income and endowments		17,440,008	891,783	11,521	18,343,312	14,582,814
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Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	7	4,444,816	-	3,444	4,448,260	2,689,391
Charitable activities	8	12,499,064	564,043	-	13,063,107	12,722,616
Total expenditure		16,943,880	564,043	3,444	17,511,367	15,412,007
Gross transfers between funds	21,22	11,521	=	(11,521)	_	-
Gains/(losses) on investment assets	15,22	(175,967)	-	(32,463)	(208,430)	386,166
Net income/expenditure		331,682	327,740	(35,907)	623,515	(443,027)
Other recognised gains/losses					67.000	00.000
Actuarial gains/(losses) on defined benefit pension scheme	27	67,000	-	=	67,000	90,000
Net movement in funds		398,682	327,740	(35,907)	690,515	(353,027)
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward at 1 January 2018	20-22	13,753,015	3,552,424	448,683	17,754,122	18,107,149
Total funds carried forward at 31 December 2018	20-22	14,151,697	3,880,164	412,776	18,444,637	17,754,122

None of the Society's activities were acquired or discontinued during the above two financial years.

Statement of Financial Activities For the year ended 31 December 2018

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Fund £	Total 2018 £	Total 2017 £
Income and endowments from:		_				
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Charitable activities	3	10,762,176	24,527	-	10,786,703	9,471,030
Other trading activities	4	1,430,152	-	_	1,430,152	819,323
Investments	5	1,317,707	-	11,521	1,329,228	1,209,980
Other	6	316,555	575,965	-	892,520	285,754
Total income and endowment		14,372,677	891,783	11,521	15,275,981	13,159,820
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	7	1,377,485	=	3,444	1,380,929	1,228,247
Charitable activities	8	12,499,064	564,043	-	13,063,107	12,722,617
Total resources expended		13,876,549	564,043	3,444	14,444,036	13,950,864
Gross transfers between funds	20,22	11,521	-	(11,521)	-	-
Gains/(losses) on investment assets	15,22	(175,967)	-	(32,463)	(208,430)	386,166
Net income/expenditure	,	331,682	327,740	(35,907)	623,515	(404,878)
Other recognised gains/losses Actuarial gains/(losses) on defined benefit pension						
scheme	27	67,000	-	-	67,000	90,000
Other gains/(losses)		-	-	.	-	-
Net movement in funds		398,682	327,740	(35,907)	690,515	(314,878)
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward at 1 January 2018	20-22	13,752,111	3,552,424	448,683	17,753,218	18,068,096
Total funds carried forward at 31 December 2018	20-22	14,150,793	3,880,164	412,776	18,443,733	17,753,218

None of the Society's activities were acquired or discontinued during the above two financial years.

Consolidated Balance Sheet As at 31 December 2018

	Notes	Group		Charit	ty
		2018	2017	2018	2017
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets	14	15,789,585	15,361,040	15,519,556	15,042,085
Investments	15	3,333,670	3,564,026	3,333,672	3,564,028
Current assets					
Stocks	16	321,141	297,025	88,608	93,062
Debtors	17	1,257,869	995,538	1,813,389	1,689,934
Cash at bank and in hand		1,106,804	1,154,874	956,355	888,094
	-	2,685,814	2,447,437	2,858,352	2,671,090
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	18	(2,594,227)	(2,554,501)	(2,497,642)	(2,460,105)
Net current assets / (liabilities)	-	91,587	(107,064)	360,710	210,985
Total assets less current liabilities		19,214,842	18,818,002	19,213,938	18,817,098
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year	19	(315,405)	(526,080)	(315,405)	(526,080)
Defined benefit pension scheme liability	27	(454,800)	(537,800)	(454,800)	(537,800)
Net assets	-	18,444,637	17,754,122	18,443,733	17,753,218
Funds					
Unrestricted reserves	20				
General reserve		8,456,497	8,140,815	8,455,593	8,139,911
Revaluation reserve		6,150,000	6,150,000	6,150,000	6,150,000
Pension reserve	27	(454,800)	(537,800)	(454,800)	(537,800)
Total unrestricted reserves	_	14,151,697	13,753,015	14,150,793	13,752,111
Restricted funds	21	3,880,164	3,552,424	3,880,164	3,552,424
Endowment funds	22	412,776	448,683	412,776	448,683
	-	18,444,637	17,754,122	18,443,733	17,753,218

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board on 2 May 2019

*Dr Thomas Mitchell*On behalf of the Board of Trustees

Cash Flow Statements For the year ended 31 December 2018

Group	Notes	2018 £	2018 £	2017 £	2017 £
Net cash inflow from operating activities	24		1,497,146		(17,166)
Investing activities					
Payments to acquire investments Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets Proceeds from disposal of investments Proceeds from disposal of tangible fixed assets Investment income		(251,151) (1,763,298) 262,838 400 438,711	_	(161,646) (802,198) 239,787 17,945 427,635	
Financing activities			(1,312,500)		(278,477)
Bank loans repaid Finance leases repaid Interest paid	_	(215,019) (4,052) (23,884)	_	(278,136) (11,458) (30,269)	
			(242,955)		(319,863)
		_		_	(645.506)
(Decrease)/Increase in cash	26	<u>to</u>	(58,309)	=	(615,506)
Charity	Notes	2018 £	2018 £	2017 £	2017 £
Net cash inflow from operating activities	24		711,065		148,927
Investing activities					
Payments to acquire investments Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets Proceeds from disposal of investments Proceeds from disposal of tangible fixed assets Investment income	_	(251,151) (1,751,403) 262,838 400 1,329,228	_	(161,646) (781,579) 239,787 17,945 1,209,980	
Financing activities Bank loans repaid Finance leases repaid Interest paid	-	(215,019) (4,052) (23,884)	(410,088) —	(278,136) (11,458) (30,269)	524,487
			(242,955)		(319,863)
(Decrease)/Increase in cash	26		58,022	-	353,551

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements For the year ended 31 December 2018

1 Principal accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with the exception of revalued investment assets and investment property and are in accordance with applicable accounting standards, including the Statement of Recommended Practice FRS102 (SORP FRS102) "Accounting and reporting by charities" and in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS102). Under FRS102 the Society is a public Benefit Entity.

The financial statements are presented in sterling (£).

Going Concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, which the Trustees believe to be appropriate for the reasons set out in the Trustees report.

Consolidation

The accounts consolidate the results and net assets and liabilities of the Society's wholly owned subsidiary company Ark Enterprises Limited. The investment is held at cost.

Fixed assets

Assets that are considered to have a useful life of over a year are capitalised at cost. Fixed assets are included in the Balance Sheet at cost less depreciation. Capital items (other than computer hardware and software) costing less than £500 are written off to the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) in the period of acquisition. Items of computer hardware and software costing less than £250 are written off to the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) in the period of acquisition

Investment property is valued at open market value every five years by an external valuer. The Trustees review this value for reasonableness each year. All surpluses and deficits on valuation are transferred to a revaluation reserve and taken to the SOFA for the year. No depreciation or amortisation is provided in respect of investment properties.

Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on all fixed assets with the exception of heritable land and investment properties, in the year in which the fixed assets are brought into use. The rates of depreciation are calculated so as to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset evenly over its expected useful life as follows:

Property:	Property Improvements	4-10 years
	New Buildings	25 years
Vehicles		4 years
Plant and M	achinery	4-10 years
Office Equip	ement	4 years
Computer S	oftware	3 - 5 years
Computer H	lardware	4 years

Animals

Animals are generally acquired by the Society from other zoological organisations at zero cost or bred in our parks, and a realistic valuation cannot be placed thereon. Many of the animals acquired are held in trust with other zoological societies at zero cost.

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Investments

Investments comprise investments in quoted equity instruments which are measured at fair value. Changes in fair value are recognised in the SOFA in the year in which they arise.

Stocks

Retail stocks are valued at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less cost to sell. Animal feed is valued at cost.

Debtors

Short term debtors are measured at transaction price.

Creditors

Short term creditors are measured at transaction price.

Financial instruments

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Non basic financial instruments include all derivatives such as foreign exchange forward contracts and interest rates swaps. All are recognised on the balance sheet and measured at fair value. This means that at each period end the instrument is revalued and the movement is recognised in the SOFA.

Capital grants and donations

Assets funded by restricted reserves are capitalised and the depreciation is recognised as an expense of the restricted reserve.

Pensions

Defined benefit pension scheme

The Royal Zoological Society of Scotland operates a pension scheme providing benefits based on final pensionable pay. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the Royal Zoological Society of Scotland.

Pension scheme assets are measured using bid price values at balance sheet date. Pension scheme liabilities are measured using a projected unit method and discounted at the current rate of return on AA-rated corporate bonds with a term and currency equivalent to that of the assets and liabilities of the pension scheme.

The pension scheme deficit is recognised in full. The movement in the scheme deficit is reflected in the SOFA.

Defined contribution pension scheme

The Royal Zoological Society of Scotland also operates a pension scheme providing benefits based on contributions. The employer matches contributions with those of employees up to a maximum of 5% of salary. Employer contributions are charged to the SOFA in the period to which they relate.

Reserves

The Society has a number of restricted income funds to account for situations where donors require that their donations must be spent on a particular purpose or where funds have been raised for a specific purpose. Any surplus on these restricted income accounts are held as restricted reserves.

The Society has one endowment fund, the J W Gibb Fund, which was established following the receipt of a legacy. The income is for the maintenance and upkeep of animals. This fund is held as an endowment reserve.

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Income and endowments

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Income from government and other grants, whether 'capital' grants or 'revenue' grants, is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred.

For legacies, entitlement is taken as the earlier of the date on which either: the charity is aware that confirmation or probate has been granted, the estate has been finalised and notification has been made by the executor(s) to the Trust that a distribution will be made, or when a distribution is received from the estate. Receipt of a legacy, in whole or in part, is only considered probable when the amount can be measured reliably and the charity has been notified of the executor's intention to make a distribution. Where legacies have been notified to the charity, or the charity is aware of the granting of probate, and the criteria for income recognition have not been met, then the legacy is a treated as a contingent asset and disclosed if material.

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the Bank.

Annual membership subscriptions are recognised in the period to which they relate. Subscriptions received that relate to future periods are treated as deferred income.

Income from investments is recognised in the SOFA in the year in which it is receivable.

The Society leases out part of its land to the east of Edinburgh Zoo. This income is recognised in the SOFA in the year in which it is receivable. The next rent review is due in 2019.

Donated goods, facilities and services

Donated services and facilities are recognised as income when the charity has control over the item(s), any conditions attached have been met, the receipt of economic benefit from the use of the item(s) is probable and the economic benefit can be measured reliably. In accordance with Charity SORP (FRS 102), volunteer time is not recognised. Their contribution is however highlighted in the Trustees' Report.

On receipt, donated goods, services and facilities are recognised on the basis of the value of the gift to the charity which is the amount the charity would have had to pay to obtain the equivalent economic benefit on the open market. A corresponding amount is also recognised as expenditure in the period of receipt.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified as either expenditure on raising funds or expenditure on charitable activities. Expenditure on raising funds are the costs incurred in attracting voluntary income, in the catering and retail activities and investment management costs. Expenditure on charitable activities include expenditures incurred on animal welfare, education and conservation activities, the main charitable objectives of the Society.

Expenditure allocation

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include the costs of Property and Estates, Finance and IT, Human Resources and Health and Safety. These costs have been allocated between cost of raising funds and expenditure on charitable activities. The bases on which support costs have been allocated are set out in note 9.

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Employee

Short term employee benefits and contributions to defined contribution pension plans are recognised as an expense in the period in which they are incurred.

VAT

The Society is subject to a partial VAT exemption. Accordingly all expenditure is stated inclusive of irrecoverable VAT where applicable.

Leasing and hire purchase commitments

Where assets are financed by leasing agreements that give rights approximating to ownership ("finance leases"), the assets are treated as if they had been purchased outright. The amount capitalised is the present value of the minimum lease payments payable during the lease term. The corresponding leasing commitments are shown as obligations to the lessor. Lease payments are treated as consisting of capital and interest elements, and the interest is charged to the SOFA in proportion to the remaining balance outstanding.

All other leases are "operating leases" and the annual rentals are charged to the SOFA on a straight line basis over the lease term.

Foreign Exchange

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded using the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction.

Monetary assets and liabilities denoted in foreign currencies are translated using the contract rate or the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date and gains or losses on translation are included in the statement of financial activities.

Judgements in applying accounting policies and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the Society's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

In preparing these financial statements, the directors have made the following judgements:

Determine whether leases entered into by the group as a lessor are operating or finance leases. These decisions depend on an assessment of whether the risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred from the lessor to the lessee on a lease by lease basis.

Tangible fixed assets are depreciated over a period to reflect their estimated useful lives. The applicability of the assumed lives is reviewed annually, taking into account factors such as physical condition, maintenance and obsolescence.

Fixed assets are also assessed as to whether that are indicators of Impairment. This assessment involves consideration of the economic viability of the purpose for which the asset is used.

The following are the group's key sources of estimation uncertainty:

The value of the deficit in the defined benefit pension fund is determined using an actuarial valuation. The actuarial valuation involves making assumptions about discount rates, mortality rates and future pension increases. Due to the complexity of the valuation, the underlying assumptions and the long-term nature of the liabilities, such estimates are subject to significant uncertainty. In determining the appropriate discount rate, management considers the interest rates of corporate bonds with extrapolated maturities corresponding to the expected duration of the defined benefit obligation. The mortality rate is based on publicly available mortality tables. Future pension increases are based on expected future inflation rates.

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2 Donations and legacies

2 Donations and legacies					
Charity and Group	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	2018	2017
	£	£	£	£	£ 764,233
Grants	350,000	231,200	•	581,200	479,304
Donations	77,111	60,091	-	137,202	130,196
Legacies	118,976	291,291	-	118,976 837,378	1,373,733
	546,087	291,291		057,570	1,373,735
Year end 31 December 2017	769,656	604,077	-	1,373,733	
the control of the co				2018	2017
Income from Grants includes the following Government Grants:				£	£
Scottish Government				20,380	8,893
Scottish Enterprise				14,250	1,288
Edinburgh City Council			_	32,998	32,998
			=	67,628	43,179
3 Charitable activities		n	F-4	2018	2017
Charity and Group	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment		
	£	£	£	£	£
Admissions - Edinburgh Zoo	5,863,197	-	•	5,863,197	5,965,166
Admissions - Highland Wildlife Park	2,450,958	-	•	2,450,958	1,282,365
Animal adoption	139,934	-	-	139,934	116,223
Membership subscriptions	1,433,154	-	-	1,433,154 255,964	1,312,031 290,920
Education	255,964	24 527	-		
Conservation	340	24,527	-	24,867	28,904 475,421
Other income	618,629	24 527		618,629 10,786,703	9,471,030
	10,762,176	24,527	-	10,780,703	5,471,030
Year end 31 December 2017	9,442,542	28,488		9,471,030	
4 Other trading activities	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	2018	2017
Group	£	£	£	£	£
Retail operations - Edinburgh Zoo	1,462,779	-	~ ,	1,462,779	1,419,414
Retail operations - Highland Wildlife Park	500,600	_	_	500,600	260,529
Catering operations - Edinburgh Zoo	1,756,804	_	-	1,756,804	409,279
Catering operations - Highland Wildlife Park	528,934		-	528,934	359,765
Events	1,194,106	-	-	1,194,106	440,362
Other income	236,046	-	-	236,046	378,961
	5,679,269	-		5,679,269	3,268,310
	2 200 240	-		2 250 210	
Year end 31 December 2017	3,268,310			3,268,310	
Charity					
Events	1,194,106	-	-	1,194,106	440,362
Other income	236,046		-	236,046	378,961
	1,430,152		<u> </u>	1,430,152	819,323
Year end 31 December 2017	819,323	-	-	819,323	
5 Investments					
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	2018	2017
Group	£	£	£	£	£
Rent from land & buildings	355,712	-	44 501	355,712	349,666
Income from listed investments	71,208	-	11,521	82,729	77,222 747
Interest	270		11,521	270 438,711	427,635
	427,190		17577	430,711	421,035
Year end 31 December 2017	427,635	-	-	427,635	
			_ ,	2010	2047
Charity	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Endowment £	2018 £	2017 £
Charity Rent from land & buildings	355,712		_	355,712	349,666
Income from listed investments	71,208		11,521	82,729	77,222
Interest	270	-	-	270	747
Charitable donation from Ark Enterprises Limited	890,517		÷	890,517	782,345
	1,317,707		11,521	1,329,228	1,209,980
Year end 31 December 2017	1,209,980	-	-	1,209,980	

Included within the investment income of the charity is £890,517(2017: £782,345) donated by the Charity's subsidiary, Ark Enterprises Limited, under the Government's Gift Aid scheme.

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6 Other Income

Group	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Endowment £	2018 £	2017 £
Compensation Utility recharge	- 25,286	575,965 -	-	575,965 25,286	42,106
	25,286	575,965		601,251	42,106
Year end 31 December 2017	42,106		-	42,106	
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Charity	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	2018	2017
•	£	£	£	£	£
Compensation	~	575,965	-	575,965	
Utility recahrge	25,287	-	-	25,287	42,106
Management recharge from subsidiary	291,268			291,268	243,648
_	316,555	575,965		892,520	285,754
Year end 31 December 2017	285,754		-	285,754	
7 Expenditure on raising funds					
Group	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	2018	2017
Gloup	£	£	£	£	£
Fundraising	267,369	-		267,369	240,625
Membership	131,589	-	-	131,589	163,904
Retail operations - Edinburgh Zoo	959,484	-	-	959,484	908,920
Catering operations - Edinburgh Zoo	1,367,431	-	-	1,367,431	14,897
Retail operations - Highland Wildlife Park	376,072	-	-	376,072	213,073
Catering operations - Highland Wildlife Park	358,669	-	-	358,669	320,635
Investment management costs	18,483	_	3,444	21,927	16,435
Other costs	5,674	-		5,674	3,619
Support costs (Note 9)	950,045	-	-	960,045	807,282
support costs (note 3)	4,444,816	-	3,444	4,448,260	2,689,390
Year end 31 December 2017	2,685,226		4,164	2,689,390	
Charity	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	2018	2017 £
	£	£	£	£	240,625
Fundaising	267,369	-	-	267,369	163,904
Membership	131,589	-		131,589	16,435
Investment management costs	18,482	-	3,444	21,926	10,433
Other costs	-		-	960,045	807,282
Support costs (Note 9)	960,045		3,444	1,380,929	1,228,247
	1,377,485		3,444	1,560,525	1,228,247
Year end 31 December 2017	1,224,083		4,164	1,228,247	
8 Expenditure on charitable activities					
		E for one about about	Restricted	2018	2017
Charity and Group		Unrestricted £	Kestricteu £	£	£

Charity and Group	Unrestricted	Restricted	2018	2017
Chartey and Group	£	£	£	£
Animal welfare Education Marketing	3,484,178 498,458 581,136 1,065,705	273,800 48,445 2,485 31,488	3,757,978 546,903 583,621 1,097,193	3,750,151 549,242 649,069 991,910
Visitor Services Events Genetics Unit - Edinburgh Zoo Conservation and Science Support costs (Note 9)	1,009,743 276,223 1,252,511 4,331,110	207,825	1,009,743 276,223 1,460,336 4,331,110	743,498 227,861 1,692,339 4,118,547
Year end 31 December 2017	12,499,064	564,043 611,747	13,063,107	12,722,617
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9 Support costs

Charity & Group	Raising funds £	Charitable activities £	2018 £	2017 £
Property, Estates and Works Health and safety Gardening Chief Executive's Office Finance and IT Human Resources Policies & Projects Net return on pension	510,937 14,399 - 104,297 232,277 64,005 - 34,130 960,045	2,093,879 59,008 396,729 427,420 951,901 262,303 - 139,870 4,331,110	2,604,816 73,407 396,729 531,717 1,184,178 326,308 - 174,000 5,291,155	2,429,950 75,222 428,047 491,880 1,188,690 293,040 - 19,000 4,925,829
Year end 31 December 2017	807,282	4,118,547	4,925,829	

Support costs, with the exception of Gardening costs, are allocated to Raising Funds and Charitable Activities in accordance with the direct expenditure incurred in

Gardening costs are allocated directly to charitable activities on the basis that these costs are incurred in maintaining the parks, improving the experience of visitors and thus linked to the admission income earned,

Support costs include Governance costs of £158,360 (2017: £156,844).

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10 Analysis of staff costs

	2018	2017
	£	£
Wages and salaries	5,734,913	5,755,563
Social security costs	468,233	471,928
Cost of defined contribution pension sceme	151,599	100,886
Cost of defined benefit pension scheme	189,600	189,600
Other benefits	91,302	78,151
	6,635,647	6,596,128

During the year a small number of employees were either made redundant or had their contracts of employment terminated. Redundancy and termination payments of £17,174 (2017: £10,352) were paid during the year.

The Society closed the defined benefit scheme to future accrual with effect from 30th September 2008. Employees ceased their contributions from that date although the Society continued to make contributions in line with the schedule of contributions agreed with the pension trustees. Employees were affered membership of the defined contribution scheme with effect from 1 October 2008.

The Society opened a defined contribution pension scheme on 1 April 2008 with the Society matching contribution with those of employees to a maximum of 5% of salary. The assets of the defined pension contribution scheme are administered by an independent pension provider.

The average weekly number of employees during the year was: Full-time Part-time	2018 Number 193 130 323	2017 Number 199 100 299
The number of employees earning more that £60,000 were as follows:	Number	Number
£110,000 - £119,999 £100,000 - £109,999 £80,000 - £89,999 £70,000 - £79,999 £60,000 - £65,999	1 - 1 1	1 - 1 - 1

All of the above employees are members of the Society's defined contribution pension scheme. Pension contributions totalling £11,604 (2017: £11,008) were paid in the year.

11 Benefits received by key management personnel

Day to day management of activities is delegated by the Trustees to a Executive Team comprising the Chief Executive Officer, Director of Finance and Resources, Director of Conservation and Living Collections and Director of Human Resources. The total employee benefits received by the Executive Team was £373,109 (2017; £331,130). All of these employees are members of the Society's defined contribution pension scheme. Pension contributions for the Executive Team totalled £14,351 (2017; £ 11,258).

12 Board of Trustees' remuneration and expenses

Trustees received no remuneration in respect of their services as trustees in either year,

in accordance with the Society guidelines, Trustees may be reimbursed for properly incurred travel, subsistence and accommodation expenditure. In addition the Society may also pay third parties directly for similar Trustee expenses. During the year a total of £1,393 (2017: £813) was reimbursed to 5 Trustees (2017: 5 Trustees) and expenditure of £4,637 was paid directly to third party suppliers (2017; £6,936).

During the year Trustees Indemnity insurance was in place for the benefit of the Trustees.

13 Operating Profit/(Loss)

Operating profit/(loss) is stated after charging:	Group	o ·	Char	ity
Open (2000), (1990), (2018	2017	2018	2017
	£	£	£	t.
Auditor's remuneration		42.005	40.025	0.205
Statutory Audit	14,320	12,905	10,075	9,285
Assurance services and other audit	2,475	3,000	2,475	3,000
Tax advisory service	7,285	1,040	5,855	1,040
	24,080	16,945	18,405	13,325

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14 Fixed assets		***		Acres I majors	, company	you have	Office	Olent &		
Group	Land £	Property F	Property £	Construction	Hardware E	Software E	Equipment £	Machinery E	Vehicles £	TOTAL £
Cost/Valuation As at 1 January 2018	23,500	6.150,000	16,985,200	527,883	494,821	461,962	53,665	679,919	446,784	25,823,734
Additions	1		499,184	1,154,660	58,568	912	8,158	15,575	46,548	1,783,605
Transfers	î	1	189,604	(195,192)	5,588	1	•	ı	į	1
Disposals	•	1	•	1	(368'6E)	'	,	•	(4,500)	(44,398)
As at 31 December 2018	23,500	6,150,000	6,150,000 17,673,988	1,487,351	519,079	462,874	61,823	695,494	488,832	27,562,941
Debreciation										
As at 1 January 2018	ı		8,758,692	1	363,500	345,593	37,179	588,472	369,258	10,462,694
Disposals	•	•		ŧ	(39,898)	ł	•	1	(4,500)	(44,398)
Charge for the year	ŧ	•	1,163,071	\$	82,385	40,879	6,678	35,045	27,002	1,355,060
As at 31 December 2018		-	9,921,763	1	405,987	386,472	43,857	623,517	391,760	11,773,356
Net book value	23 500	6.150.000	7.752.225	1.487.351	113.092	76.402	17,966	71,977	97,072	15,789,585
As at 31 December 2017	23,500	6,150,000	8,226,508	527,883	131,321	116,369	16,486	91,447	77,526	15,361,040

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14 Fixed assets (continued)

Charity	Heritable Land £	Investment Property £	Property £	Assets Under Construction £	Computer Hardware £	Computer Software £	Office Equipment £	Plant & Machinery £	Vehicles £	TOTAL £
Cost As at 1 January 2018 Additions	23,500	6,150,000	16,533,658 499,184	441,648 1,154,660	454,923 58,568	458,242	53,665 8,158	638,755 4,592	446,784 46,548	25,201,175 1,771,710
Revaluation Transfers Dienocals	3 I I	, ,	189,604	(195,192)	5,588	•	1 1 1	. , .	- - (4,500)	<u> </u>
As at 31 December 2018	23,500	6,150,000	17,222,446	1,401,116	519,079	458,242	61,823	643,347	488,832	26,968,385
Depreciation As at 1 January 2018 Disposals	1 1	1 1	8,530,939	1 1	293,820	371,656	37,179	556,238	369,258 (4,500)	10,159,090
Charge for the year As at 31 December 2018	I I		1,107,339	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	82,385 376,205	40,784	6,678	30,051	27,002 391,760	1,294,239 11,448,829
Net book value As at 31 December 2018	23,500	6,150,000	7,584,168	1,401,116	1,42,874	45,802	17,966	57,058	97,072	15,519,556
As at 31 December 2017	23,500	6,150,000	8,002,719	441,648	161,103	86,586	16,486	82,517	77,526	15,042,085

Land and buildings at 132 Corstorphine Road, Edinburgh have been stated at trustees' valuation based on an independent valuation on an existing use basis at open market value of £6,150,000 as at 31 December 2015 by Bilfinger GVA, Chartered Surveyors. At 31 December 2015 the historic cost of the investment property was nil.

The net book value of motor vehicles held under finance leases was £42,858 (2017: £25,981). The depreciation charge for the year in relation to these assets held under finance leases amounted to £7,296 (2017: £5,978).

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15 Investments

	Grou	р	Chari	ty
	2018	2017	2018	2017
	£	£	£	£
Fair value of securities at 1 January 2018	3,467,224	3,159,199	3,467,226	3,159,201
Purchases	251,151	161,646	251,151	161,646
Disposal proceeds	(262,838)	(239,787)	(262,838)	(239,787)
Unrealised gain/(loss)	(230,405)	372,788	(230,405)	372,788
Realised gain/(loss)	21,975	13,378	21,975	13,378
Fair value of securities at 31 December 2018	3,247,107	3,467,224	3,247,109	3,467,226
Cash investments	86,563	96,802	86,563	96,802
Fair value at 31 December 2018	3,333,670	3,564,026	3,333,672	3,564,028
Cost at 31 December 2018	2,567,586	2,567,586	2,567,588	2,567,588

The charity investments include the investment in the subsidiary, Ark Enterprises Ltd and is stated at cost (note 31).

16 Stocks

	Grou	р	Char	ity
	2018	2017	2018	2017
	£	£	£	£
Goods for resale	232,532	203,963	-	-
Consumable stores	88,609	93,062	88,608	93,062
	321,141	297,025	88,608	93,062

17 Debtors

	Grou	p	Char	ity
	2018	2017	2018	2017
	£	£	£	£
Trade debtors	164,782	265,821	95,089	152,842
Other	88,637	71,174	88,637	71,174
Prepayments & accrued income	1,004,450	658,543	1,004,450	637,260
Amounts owed by group companies	-	•	625,213	828,658
	1,257,869	995,538	1,813,389	1,689,934

18 Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	Grou	p	Char	ity
	2018	2017	2018	2017
	£	£	£	£
Trade creditors	573,448	662,920	530,099	627,327
Social security and other taxes	192,715	179,023	192,715	179,023
Other creditors	47,226	52,016	47,226	52,016
Accruals	708,446	496,945	655,210	438,142
Finance leases (note 19)	7,437	3,375	7,437	3,375
Deferred income	841,443	944,559	841,443	944,559
Bank loan (note 19)	223,512	215,663	223,512	215,663
·	2,594,227	2,554,501	2,497,642	2,460,105

Other creditors include outstanding pension contributions of £26,379 (2017: £16,431).

Deferred income includes membership, rental, grants and donation income where the condition for recognition will be met in future periods.

The movement in deferred income is analysed as follows:

the movement in deterred income is analysed as follows:	Grou	p	Chari	ty
	2018	2017	2018	2017
	£	£	£	£
As at 1 January 2018	944,559	970,704	944,559	970,704
Amounts released from previous years	(865,171)	(979,037)	(865,171)	(979,037)
Income deferred	762,055	952,892	762,055	952,892
As at 31 December 2018	841,443	944,559	841,443	944,559

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19 Creditors: Amounts falling due after one year

Clearors: Amounts failing due after one year	Grou	р	Char	ity
	2018	2017	2018	2017
	£	£	£	£
Finance leases	24,851	12,658	24,851	12,658
Bank loan	290,554	513,422	290,554	513,422
	315,405	526,080	315,405	526,080

The Society entered into a loan agreement with Lloyds TSB Scotland in March 2011 borrowing £2 million repayable over 10 years at a fixed interest rate of 6.25%, this is secured against the land at 132 and 134 Corstorphine Road, Edinburgh. The interest rate on the loan has been fixed by entering into an interest rate swap to manage the interest rate risk. At the year end the swap was valued as a liability of £14,738 (2017: a liability of £31,924). The movement in the valuation has been

	Grou	р	Charity	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Bank loans are repayable as follows:	£	£	£	£
ess than one year	223,512	215,663	223,512	215,663
Between one and two years	231,646	223,512	231,646	223,512
Between two and five years	58,908	289,910	58,908	289,910
n five years or more	-	-	-	-
	514,066	729,085	514,066	729,085
Financial commitments under finance leases and hire purchase contracts will re	sult in the following payments.		2018	2017
Minimum lease payments under finance leases falling due:			£	£
Within one year			7,437	3,375
Within 2-5 years			24,851	12,658
Michili 5-5 Jours		_	32,288	16,033
		-		

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Nat January Nat January Nat January Nat January Nat						-	32,288	16,033
As at 1 January Incoming Other Resources As at 31 January Incoming Other E E E E E E E E E	O Unrestricted funds							
Revaluation reserve		•			Pension		Transfer	
Revaluation reserve (537,800) (174,000) - 67,000 190,000 - 6,150,000 (454,800) Group funds 13,753,015 17,440,008 175,967 67,000 16,943,880 11,521 14,151,697 17,440,008 175,967 67,000 16,943,880 11,521 14,151,697 17,440,008 175,967 67,000 16,943,880 11,521 14,151,697 17,440,008 175,967	Group funds	£	£	£	£	£		
Pension reserve (537,800) (174,000) -	General reserve	8,140,815	17,614,008	(175,967)	-	(17,133,880)	11,521	
As at 1 January Incoming Other Resources As at 31	Revaluation reserve	6,150,000	-		-	-	-	6,150,000
As at 1 January Incoming Other Resources As at 31			(174,000)	-	67,000	190,000	-	(454,800)
Charity funds 2018		13,753,015	17,440,008	- 175,967	67,000 -	16,943,880	11,521	14,151,697
F		As at 1 January	Incoming	Other		Resources		As at 31
F	Charity funds	2018	resources	gains/(losses)	Pension	expended	Transfer	December 2018
Revaluation reserve	Charley varias	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Revaluation reserve	General reserve		14.546,677	(175,967)	-	(14,066,549)	11,521	8,455,593
Pension reserve Charity funds				, , ,	-	-	-	6,150,000
Charity funds			(174,000)	_	67,000		-	
Charity funds 2017 resources gains/(losses) Pension expended Transfer December 2017				(175,967)	67,000	(13,876,549)	11,521	14,150,793
Group funds 2017 resources gains/(losses) Pension expended Transfer E £ £ £ £ £ £ £ £ £		Ac at 1 lanuary	Incoming	Other		Resources		As at 31
F	Cuarus francis	•	-	gains/flosses)	Pension	expended	Transfer	December 2017
Second S	Group ranus						£	£
Revaluation reserve	General reserve		13,969,249	330,440	-	(14,986,096)	-	
As at 1 January Incoming Other Resources As at 31				-	-	-	-	
As at 1 January Incoming Other Resources As at 31 Charity funds 2017 resources gains/(losses) Pension expended Transfer December 2017 f f f f f f f f f f f f f f f f f f f	Pension reserve			-				(537,800)
Charity funds 2017 resources gains/(losses) Pension expended Transfer December 2017 ### ### ### ### #### ###############	Group funds	14,178,422	13,950,249	330,440	90,000	(14,796,096)	-	13,753,015
F		As at 1 January	Incoming	Other		Resources		
General reserve 8,788,169 12,546,255 330,440 - (13,524,953) - 8,139,911 Revaluation reserve 6,150,000	Charity funds	2017	resources	gains/(losses)				
Revaluation reserve (5,150,000 - 90,000 190,000 - (537,800) Pension reserve (798,800) (19,000) - 90,000 190,000 - (537,800)					£		£	
Reviolation reserve (798,800) (19,000) - 90,000 190,000 - (537,800)			12,546,255	330,440	-	(13,524,953)	-	
rension reserve (750,000) (15,000) 10,000 (15,000) 10,753,514			-	-	-	100.000	-	
Charity funds 14,159,505 12,527,235 550,440 50,000 (13,534,535) 15,752,522				220 440				
	Charity tunos	14,139,369	12,327,233	350,440	30,000	(*2,234,233)		10,700,444

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21	Restricted funds	As at 1 January 2018	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	As at 31 December 2018
~.	Restricted funds	£	£	£	£	£
	Capital funds	3,187,386	590,215	(313,391)	-	3,464,210
	Income funds			41		(0.467)
	Beaver Reintroduction Project	(5,904)	4,065	(1,328)	-	(3,167) 477
	Water Vole Fund	477	-	-	-	477 876
	RZSS Conservation Fund	629	1,481	(1,234) (27,176)		16,491
	Scottish Wildcat	6,246	37,421	(84,888)	_	108,652
	Budongo Conservation Field Station	118,972	74,578	(1,125)	-	28,471
	ZEST	29,596	48,090	(1,123)		167,055
	Giant Armadillo Project (Pantanal)	118,965 17,044	48,030	(12,428)	_	4,616
	Tayside Beaver	1,684	-	(1,684)	_	.,
	RSPB Beaver	2,379	-	(2,379)	_	-
	Beaver Handbook	16,074	14,972	(7,897)	_	23,149
	Pallas Cat Illegal Wildlife Trade	23,706		(20,000)		3,706
	Education	1,997	37,998	(36,343)	-	3,652
	HWP Education Fund	5,610		(3,035)	-	2,575
	Accessible Zoo	3,000	1,500	,	-	4,500
	Cambodian Genetic project	13,283	47,207	(39,924)	-	20,566
	Snow Monkey packs	· •	682	(682)	-	•
	Inclusive Zoo	6,280	-	- =	-	6,280
	Cameroon frog and earthworm	5,000	-		-	5,000
	Heart of the Zoo award	-	3,000	(400)	-	2,600
	Native Invertebrates	-	8,028	(1,897)	-	6,131
	Nubian Ibex	-	7,000	(1,863)	-	5,137
	RZSS Animal fund	-	5,546	(825)	-	4,721
	Science Specialist Confucius classroom	_	10,000	(5,544)		4,456
		365,038	301,568	(250,652)		415,954
		3,552,424	891,783	(564,043)		3,880,164
						4
		As at 1 January 2017	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	As at 31 December 2017
	Capital funds	3,200,766	289,500	(302,880)	-	3,187,386
	Income funds					
	Beaver Reintroduction Project	(3,185)	1,800	(4,519)	-	(5,904)
	Water Vole Fund	1,993	-	(1,516)	-	477
	RZSS Conservation Fund	629	-	-	-	629
	Scottish Wildcat	(6,580)	23,654	(10,828)	-	6,246
	Budongo Conservation Field Station	98,341	124,063	(103,432)	•	118,972 29,596
	ZEST	35,787 113,304	30,000 65,661	(36,191) (60,000)	-	118,965
	Giant Armadillo Project (Pantanal)	500	05,001	(500)	_	
	Capercaillie	27,848	-	(10,804)	-	17,044
	Tayside Beaver RSPB Beaver	1,684	_	*****	_	1,684
	Beaver Handbook	2,379		-	-	2,379
	Pallas Cat	9,719	17,049	(10,694)	-	16,074
		42,506	1,200	(20,000)	-	23,706
	lliegal Wildine Trade			(ann cc)	-	1,997
	Illegal Wildlife Trade Education	-	34,997	(33,000)		
	Education Scottish Enterprise	-	1,288	(1,288)	-	~
	Education Scottish Enterprise Physic Garden	- 305	1,288		-	F C10
	Education Scottish Enterprise Physic Garden HWP Education Fund	-	1,288	(1,288)	-	5,610 3,000
	Education Scottish Enterprise Physic Garden HWP Education Fund Accessible Zoo	- 305	1,288 - - 3,000	(1,288) (305)	-	3,000
	Education Scottish Enterprise Physic Garden HWP Education Fund Accessible Zoo Cambodian Genetic project	- 305	1,288 - 3,000 27,037	(1,288) (305) - - (13,754)	-	
	Education Scottish Enterprise Physic Garden HWP Education Fund Accessible Zoo Cambodian Genetic project Snow Monkey packs	- 305	1,288 - 3,000 27,037 1,316	(1,288) (305) - - (13,754) (1,316)		3,000 13,283
	Education Scottish Enterprise Physic Garden HWP Education Fund Accessible Zoo Cambodian Genetic project Snow Monkey packs Inclusive Zoo	- 305	1,288 - 3,000 27,037 1,316 7,000	(1,288) (305) - - (13,754)	-	3,000
	Education Scottish Enterprise Physic Garden HWP Education Fund Accessible Zoo Cambodian Genetic project Snow Monkey packs	- 305	1,288 - 3,000 27,037 1,316	(1,288) (305) - - (13,754) (1,316)	-	3,000 13,283 - 6,280

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21 Restricted funds (continued)

The above fund balances at 31 December 2018 represent the net amounts available for restricted expenditure. More detail is given below for funds with significant balances.

Capital funds

The majority of capital funds have been invested in fixed assets, with depreciation being charged to the fund over the remaining life of the asset.

Income funds

Beaver Reintroduction Project - represents income received in partnership with the Scottish Wildlife Trust (SWT) to study the biology and ecological impact of the reintroduction of beavers to a trial site in Knapdale Scotland. The fund is in deficit pending the reimburement of expenditure from SWT.

Water Vole Fund - represents funds held on behalf of a project in partnership with Scottish National Heritage, the Forestry Commission, Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park and RZSS for the reintroduction and monitoring of water voles.

Scottish Wildcat - represents funds donated to the wildcat project that RZSS is involved in as part of the Scottish Wildcat Conservation Action Plan. Income includes a three year annual grant from the Scottish Government ending in April 2018.

Budongo Conservation Field Station - represents funding from St Andrews University to support students going out to the Budongo Conservation Field Station (BCFS) in Uganda, and grants from the Arcus Foundation to fund conservation and research activities at the BCFS.

ZEST - represents funds received from the Robertson Trust and Bailie Gifford and Co to support The Zoo and Environment Skills Training programme (ZEST) being run with Scottish high schools to enable teenagers to gain employability and personal development skills while taking on work experience days in the zoo.

Giant Armadillo Project - represents funding received from Prince Bernhard Nature Fund, Amneville Zoo, CEPA, CERZA, Natural Research and Seaworld for the ecological study of the secretive giant armadillo in the Panatanai wetlands of Brazil.

Capercaille - represents funds raised from a specific fundraising event for genetic analysis of Capercaillie to support population monitoring.

Tayside Beaver - represents funds for an extended contract being undertaken for SNH.

RSPB Beaver - represents funds for an extended contract being undertaken for RSPB.

Beaver Handbook - represents funds received for the specific costs of publishing a handbook on beaver husbandry.

Pallas Cat - represents funds held as a species support fund on behalf of the European Pallas Cat Breeding Programme.

Illegal Wildlife Trade - represents funding received from Trace Wildlife Forensic Network Ltd, the Balcombe Trust, the Worldwide Fund for Nature and Mr John Fitzgerald to support conservation projects in South East Asia.

Education - represents income from the City of Edinburgh Council, the Mickle Fund and the Cruden Foundation to support our Education programmes including; the Schools Programme, Summer School, Global Classrooms school conference, Edinburgh Science Festival programme, Zoo Explorers programme and the Wildlife

Scottish Enterprise - represents grants received from Scottish Enterprise towards the cost of specialist HR support.

Wild About Scotland Bus - represents income from the Robertson Trust to support our educational outreach programmes being delivered by the Wild About Scotland bus to primary and nursey children throughout Scotland.

Physic Garden - represents grant funding from the Ettrick Charitable Frust to develop the Physic Garden at Edinburgh Zoo.

HWP Education Fund - represents funding from the Gordon and Ena Baxter Foundation and the Russell Trust to develop the education programme at the Highland Wildlife Park.

Accessible Zoo - represents funding from The Nancy Roberts Charitable Trust and The Catherine Cookson Charitable Trust to support a project to make physical adaptions onsite and equip and train staff in order that Edinburgh Zoo is accessible to all regardless of ability.

Cambodian Genetics project - represents grant funding from Flora and Fauna International to develop the capacity of the Royal University of Phnom Penh's Conservation Genetics lab to deliver in-country genetics support for the conservation of threatened species in Cambodia.

Snow Monkey packs -represents funding from The Japan Learning Foundation to create snow monkey outreach packs.

Inclusive Zoo - represents funding from the Cruden Foundation and Castansa Trust to support a project to encourage children and young people from special schools to participate in the Edinburgh Zoo education programme.

Cameroon Frog and Earthworm project - represents grant funding from BIAZA to support the conservation of two critically endangered frogs species and one endemic earthworm in the grasslands of Cameroon.

Heart of the Zoo Awards - represents donations received from the family and frends of Rob Ollason, a former employee, to fund an annual award to recognise RZSS staff who in the view of their colleagues have shown the most consistent commitment to working to support the values of the Society and its mission statement.

Native Invertebrates - represents funding from the Craignish Trust to support the conservation of endangered native invertabrates by rebuilding populations at sites in Scotland where the species have lived in the past.

Nubian (bex project - represents grant funding from the Government of Oman to support a PhD student to undertake genetic monitoring of the Nubian Ibex.

RZSS Animal Fund - represents donations received on World Rhino Day to support the animal husbandary of the rhinos at Edinburgh Zoo and an immemorial donation in support of the animal husbandary of penguins at Edinburgh Zoo.

Science Specialist Confucius Classroom - represents grant funding from the Confucuis Institute for Scottish Schools to support the set up and launch of a Confucius Classroom.

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22	Endowment fund			·	B	Transfer to	As at 31
		As at 1 January 2018	Realised /unrealised gains/(losses)	investment income	Resources expended	Transfer to unrestricted funds	December 2018
		£	£	£	£ (3.444)	£ (11,521)	£
	I W Gibb Fund	448,683	(32,463)	11,521	(3,444)	(11,521)	412,776
	The above fund is to support the maintenance and upkeep	of animals, cons	istent with our ob	ectives.			
				Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	*
	Analysis of reserves between net assets			funds £	funds £	funds £	Total 2018 £
	Group			r.	E.	*	~
	Fixed assets			12,325,375	3,464,210	410 776	15,789,585 3,333,670
	Investments Net current assets			2,920,894 (324,367)	415,954	412,776 -	5,535,670 91,587
	Long term Habilities			(315,405)		-	(315,405)
	Pension deficit		-	(454,800) 14,151,697	3,880,164	- 412,776	(454,800) 18,444,637
			=	14,131,037	5,000,104	(12,170	
				Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	~
				funds £	funds £	funds £	Total 2017 £
				r.	-	*	
	Fixed assets			12,173,654 3,115,343	3,187,386	- 448,683	15,361,040 3,564,026
	Investments Net current assets			(472,102)	365,038	-	(107,064)
	Long term liabilities			(526,080) (537,800)	-	-	(526,080) (537,800)
	Pension deficit		-	13,753,015	3,552,424	448,683	17,754,122
				Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	
	Charity			funds	funds	funds	Total 2018
	Citality			£	£	£	£
	Fixed assets			12,055,346	3,464,210		15,519,556
	investments			2,920,896	415,954	412,776	3,333,672 360,710
	Net current assets Long term liabilities			(55,244) (315,405)	415,554	•	(315,405)
•	Pension deficit			(454,800) 14,150,793	3,880,164	412,776	(454,800) 18,443,733
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				Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2017
				£	£	£	£
				11,854,699	3,187,386	_	15,042,085
	Fixed assets Investments			3,115,345	3,107,300 	448,683	3,564,028
	Net current assets			(154,052)	365,038	-	210,986
	Long term liabilities			(526,080) (537,800)	-	-	(526,080) (537,800)
	Pension deficit			13,752,111	3,552,424	448,683	17,753,218
74	Net cash (outflow)/inflow from operating a	ctivities		Gro	цр	CI	narity
LT	rect cush (outlier), milest hem operating a			2018	2017	2018	2017
	Mary Mary Street	the statement o	f financial activity	£ 623,515	£ {443,027}	£ 623,515	£ (404,878)
	Net income/(expenditure) for the reporting period as per Depreciation charges	the statement o	i illianciai activity	1,355,060	1,364,505		1,303,369
	(Gain)/loss on investments			208,430	(386,166)		
	(Increase)/Decrease in Stock (Increase)/Decrease in Debtors			(24,116) (262,331)	13,694 {89,696}		
	Increase/(Decrease) in Creditors			27,815	102,686	25,626	
	Investment Income			(438,711) 23,884	(427,635) 30,269		
	Interest paid Cash movements in pension scheme			(16,000)	(171,000)		(171,000)
	Gain on disposal of tangible fixed assets			(400) 1,497,146	(10,796) (17,166)		
	Net cash inflow/(outflow)			1,437,140	(17,100)	711,000	2,0,020
	e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e			Gro 2018	oup 2017	2018	harity 2017
25	Analysis of changes in net debt during the y	ear		£	£	£	£
	As at 1 January 2018			506,558	859,961		
	Net cash inflow/(outflow) As at 31 December 2018			140,455 647,013	(353,403) 506,558		
	119 47 AV PAROLIMAN WAYA			*****			
			Group			Charity	
		As at 1 Januar	у	As at 31	As at 1 January	,	As at 31
		2018	Cashflows	December 2018 £	2018 £	Cashflows £	December 2018 £
	Cash held as part of the investment portfolio (note 15)	£ 96,80	£ 2 (10,239)		96,802		
	Cash at bank and in hand	1,154,87	4 (48,070)	1,106,804	888,094	4 68,26	
	Loan	(729,085 (16,033			(729,085 (16,034		
	Finance Leases	506,55			239,77	·	<u> </u>

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26 Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net debt	Group		Charity	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
	£	£	£	£
Increase in cash in the period	(58,309)	(615,506)	58,022	353,551
Cash outflow from debt financing	198,764	262,103	198,765	262,103
Change in debt resulting from cash flows	140,455	(353,403)	256,787	615,654
Net debt at the beginning of the period	506,558	859,961	239,777	(375,876)
Net funds/(debt) at the end of the period	647,013	506,558	496,564	239,778
27 Defined benefit pension scheme				
·	As at 1 January			As at 31
	2018	Provided	Released	December 2018
	£	£	£	£
Group & Charity				
Total pension deficit	537,800	(83,000)	-	454,800

At 31 December 2018 the Society owed the defined benefit pension scheme £0 (2017: £0) in relation to employer's contributions.

Information about the characteristics of the fund

The Fund povides pensions in retirement and death benefits to members. Pension benefits are linked to a member's final salary at the date of leaving and their length of service. The fund closed to future accrual on 30 September 2008. The fund is a registered scheme under UK legislation and is subject to the scheme funding requirements. The fund is governed by the fund's trust deeds and rules dated 29 April 1970. The Trustee is responsible for the operation and governance of the fund, including making decisions regarding the fund's funding and investment strategy in conjunction with the Society.

Information about the risks of the fund to the Society

The fund exposes the Society to actuarial risks such as; market (investment) risk, interest rate risk, inflation risk, currency risk and longevity risk. The fund does not expose the Society to any unusual fund specific risks.

Information about the valuation of the defined benefit obligation at the accounting date

The most recent formal actuarial valuation of the fund was at 1 April 2018. The liabilities at the reporting date have been calculated by updating the results of the formal actuarial valuation of the fund for the assumptions detailed in these disclosures. Allowance has been made for expected mortality over the period, as well as actual movement in financial conditions since the valuation date. Such an approach is normal for the purposes of accounting disclosures. It is not expected that these projections will be materially different from a summation of individual calculations at the accounting date, although there may be some discrepancy between the actual liaibilities for the fund at the accounting date and those included in the disclosures.

Information about the most recent actuarial valuation and expected future cashflows to and from the fund

The valuation as at 1 April 2018 revealed a funding deficit of £3,087,000. In the Recovery Plan dated 5 February 2019 the Society agreed to pay contributions with a view to eliminating the shortfall by 1 September 2027. In accordance with the Schedule of Contributions dated 5 February 2019 the Society is expected to pay contributions of £189,600 over the next accounting period. The contributions paid by the Society are reviewed every 3 years as part of each formal actuarial valuation. The Funds next actuarial valuation is due at 1 April 2021. In addition the Society is expected to meet the cost of administrative expenses (including PPF levies) for the Fund. The Society has granted the Fund a standard security over the Mansion House at 134 Corstorphine Road, Edinburgh. The liabilities of the fund are based on the current value of the expected benefit payment cashflows to members approximately over the next 70 years. The average duration of the liabilities

The Fund's investment strategy

The Fund's investment strategy is to invest broadly 80% in return seeking assets and 20% in matching assets. This strategy reflects the Fund's liability profile and the Trustee's and Society's attitude to risk. The Funds investments include interest rate and inflation hedging to the extent that they reflect the Funds liability profile. The Fund currently has a strategy in place for derisking their investments as the funding position improves. The fund holds a number of annuity policies which match a portion of the pensions in payment.

	As at	As at
	31 December	31 December
The major assumptions used by the actuary were (in normal terms) as follows:	2018	2017
,	%	%
Discount rate	2.80	2.40
Inflation assumption (RPI)	3,20	3.20
Inflation assumption (CPI)	2.20	2,20
LPI pension increase	2.20	2.20
Cash commutation	100% take max	100% take max
	As at	As at
	31 December	31 December
Assumed life expectancies on retirement at age 65 are:	2018	2017
	%	%
Retiring today - Males	21.90	22.10
Retiring today - Females	23.80	23.90
Retiring in 20 years time - Males	23.30	23,50
Retiring in 20 years time - Females	25.40	25.40
	As at	As at
	31 December	31 December
The assets in the scheme were:	2018	2017
	£000	£000
Equities	5,614	5,681
Bonds	1,480	1,508
Cash	118	248
Insured Pensioners	686	909
Fair value of scheme assets	7,898	8,346

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27 Defined benefit pension scheme (continued)

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The actual return on assets over the period was:			(490)	637
			8,353	8,884
Present value of funding obligations			8,353 7,898	8,346
Fair value of scheme assets			(455)	(538)
Surplus/(Deficit) in funded scheme			(455)	(220)
Present value of unfunded obligations			•	-
Unrecognised actuarial gains (losses)			-	_
Adjustment in respect of asset ceiling and minimum fundin Net liability in balance sheet	g requirement		455	538
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			As at	As at
			31 December	31 December
Reconciliation of opening and closing balances of the pres	ent value of the defined benefit obligation		2018	2017
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Benefit obligation at beginning of year			8,884	8,512
			241	235
Interest cost			211 (758)	331
Actuarial (gain)/losses Benefits paid			(148)	(194)
Past service cost			164	-
Benefit obligation at end of period			8,353	8,884
			As at 31 December	As at 31 December
m of the first state of the first			2018	2017
Reconciliation of opening and closing balances of the fair	value of fund assets.		£000	£000
Fair value of scheme assets at beginning of year			8,346	7,713
Interest income on fund assets			201	216
Return on assets, excluding interest income			(691)	421
Contributions by employers			190	190
Benefits paid Fair value of fund assets at end of year			7,898	(194) 8,346
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The amount recognised in the Statement of Financial Acti	pibu.			
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			2018	2017
			£000	£000
Service cost -including current and past service costs and se	ettlements		164 10	- 19
Net interest on the net defined liability			174	19
Remeasurement of the net defined benefit liability/(asset	t) to be shown in the Statement of Financial Activ	ity.		
			2018	2017
			£000	£000
Actuarial (gain)/losses on the liabilities			(758)	331
Return on assets, excluding interest income			691	(421)
Total measurement of the defined benefit liability (asset)	to be shown in the Statement of Financial Activit	T y	(67)	(90)
Sensitivity analysis				
A sensitivity analysis of the principal assumptions used to i	measure the scheme liabilities			
		2018		2017
	assumption	£000		£000
Discount rate	Increase by 0.25%	Decrease by £3	37,000	Decrease by £383,000
Rate of inflation (RPI)	Increase by 0.25%	Increase by £25		Increase by £288,000
Assumed life expectancy at age 65	Increase by 1 year	Increase by £25	1,000	Increase by £267,000
Extrapolation of the sensitivity analysis beyond the ranges	shown may not be appropriate			
Estimation of next period's profit or loss			2019	2018
			£000	£000
Service cost - including current and past service costs and	settlements		-	164
Service costs - administrative cost			-	-
Net interest on the net defined benefit liability			10	10
			10	174

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28 Guarantees and other financial commitments

The group's mininum operating lease payments are as follows:

	2018	2017
	Total	Total
	£	£
Within one year	63,580	57,018
Within 2-5 years	77,538	74,513
In 5 years or more	<u> </u>	-
	141,118	131,531

Operating lease payments of £132,341 were paid in the year (2017: £102,255).

A ten year agreement (from December 2011 to December 2021) regarding the Giant Pandas requires a protection funding payment of \$1m to be paid annually to the China Wildlife Conservation Association. The last payment will be made in June 2021.

29 Operating leases

The group holds surplus land at Edinburgh Zoo as an investment property as disclosed in note 14 which is let to a third party. This non cancellable lease has a remaining term of 52 years

	2018	2017
Future minimum rentals receivable under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:	Total	Total
	£	£
Not later than one year	326,500	326,500
After one year but not more than five years	1,306,000	1,306,000
After five years	15,100,625	15,427,125
	16,733,125	17,059,625

30 Financial Instruments

	Group		Charity	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Financial assets	£	£	£	£
Debt instruments measured at amortised cost	253,420	336,995	808,939	1,052,523
Measured at fair value through the profit and loss account	3,333,670	3,564,026	3,333,670	3,564,028
Financial liabilities				
Measured at amortised cost	1,875,473	1,956,999	1,778,889	1,862,603
Measured at fair value through the profit and loss account	454,800	537,800	454,800	537,800

31 Ark Enterprises Limited

The retail and catering businesses at Edinburgh Zoo and the Highland Wildlife Park are carried out by the Society's wholly owned subsidiary company, Ark Enterprises Limited (SC 121528), which is incorporated in the United Kingdom.

The turnover and net contribution to the Society from this company was

,,,,,,,, .	2018 £	2017 £
Turnover	4,249,116	2,448,987
Raw materials and consumables	(2,507,241)	(838,938)
Gross profit	1,741,875	1,610,049
Staff costs	(423,611)	(471,028)
Other operating charges	(427,747)	(394,827)
Net profit for the year before gift aid donation	890,517	744,194
Gift aid donation to the Society	(890,517)	(782,345)
Shareholders' funds	900	900

The company donates all of its net distributable taxable profits to the Society under the gift aid scheme on an annual basis.

32 Related party transactions

Ark Enterprise Ltd is RZSS's wholly owned subsidiary. Management charges of £291,267 (2017:£243,648), charitable donations of £890,517 (2017:£782,345) and staff costs recharged of £423,611 (2017:£471,028) were received in the year. There was a debtor due from the subsidiary of £625,213 (2017:£828,658) at the year end.

33 Ultimate controlling party

The charity is controlled by the Trustees.