

THE IRISH SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

(A Company Limited by Guarantee)

DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE COMPANY, ITS DIRECTORS AND ADVISERS
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Directors

Carin Elizabeth Bryans
Helen Dooley
Mandy Johnston (resigned 18 July 2017)
Anna Kavanagh (appointed 23 January 2018)
Tracey Long (Kildare and West Wicklow SPCA)
Darragh McDonald (appointed 14 March 2018)
Marie O'Byrne (North County Dublin SPCA)
Noel O'Donoghue (Kilkenny SPCA)
Elizabeth O'Flynn
Olivia Ann Pakenham (resigned 17 July 2017)
Fiona Squibb (Louth SPCA)
Conor Walsh (appointed 14 March 2018)
Nicola Walshe (appointed 10 April 2018)

Company registered number

460571

Registered Charity Number

20008734

Registered office

ISPCA Head Office
National Animal Centre
Keenagh
Co. Longford

Charity Website

www.ispca.ie

Company secretary

Bradwell Limited

Chief executive officer

Dr. Andrew Kelly

Independent auditor

RBK Business Advisers
Chartered Accountants & Registered Auditor
RBK House
Irishtown
Athlone
Co Westmeath

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Advisers (continued)

Bankers

AIB plc
40/42 Ranelagh
Dublin 6

Solicitors

Patrick F. O'Reilly & Co.
Solicitors
9/10 South Great George's Street
Dublin 2

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DIRECTORS' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

The directors present their report together with the audited financial statements of The Irish Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ISPCA) (the "Company") for the year ended 31 December 2017. The Directors confirm that the Directors' Report and Financial Statements of the Company comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the Company's governing document and the provisions of the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102 (effective 1 January 2015).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

a. CONSTITUTION

The company is registered as a charitable company limited by guarantee and was set up by the memorandum and articles of association on the 30 July 2008.

The company is constituted under the Memorandum and Articles of Association.

The principal objective for which the company was established was to promote and provide for animal welfare and to bring to an end all unnecessary animal suffering.

The company is registered with the Charities Regulatory Authority, Registered Charity No. 20008734.

The company is registered for tax purposes, No. CHY5619.

The company operates in accordance with the Principles of Good Governance and is committed to fully complying with the Governance Code.

The company is committed to fully complying with the Charity Regulatory Authority Fundraising Guidelines and with Charities Institute Ireland Codes of Practice for Fundraising.

The Board of Directors is responsible for the contents of the financial statements, which are prepared from the records maintained by head office at the National Animal Centre.

b. METHOD OF APPOINTMENT OR ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The management of the company is the responsibility of the directors who are elected or co opted under the terms of the Memorandum and Articles of Association.

c. RISK MANAGEMENT

The directors have assessed the major risks to which the company is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the company, and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate the exposure to the major risks.

In 2017, the ISPCA introduced a Risk Register and reviews material risks at each Board Meeting.

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

i) OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the ISPCA are to prevent cruelty, alleviate suffering and to promote good animal welfare and kindness to animals in Ireland. This is achieved through working locally and nationally to rescue, rehabilitate and responsibly rehome those animals most in need: that have been neglected, abandoned or cruelly treated.

(ii) POLICIES

a) Animal welfare policies

The ISPCA has a comprehensive set of evidence based and ethically sound animal welfare policies which drive our work. These policies cover all animals including companion animals, farm animals, wild animals and animals used in sport, entertainment and research. The ISPCA's animal welfare policies can be found on our website www.ISPCA.ie/ispca_animal_welfare_policies/

b) Human resource policies

The ISPCA has an Employee Handbook, which brings together all of our policies and procedures, which is regularly reviewed and updated in line with changes to employment legislation.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

a. REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES

The ISPCA employs 48 staff and operates two animal centres: the National Animal Centre, Derrylougher, Keenagh, Co. Longford (Head Office) and the Equine Rescue Centre in Mallow, Co. Cork. These centres provide facilities for animals that have been seized by or surrendered to ISPCA Inspectors in the course of their duties. The ISPCA also has an administrative base in Dublin.

The ISPCA operates a national animal cruelty helpline (1890 515 515) for members of the public to report an animal in distress or allegations of suspected cruelty. In 2017, over 16,000 calls were received, resulting in over 3,200 allegations of cruelty being investigated by ISPCA Inspectors.

In 2017, the ISPCA recruited a part-time Inspector, bringing the number of Inspectors to nine, covering 17 counties. ISPCA Inspectors have been authorised officers under the Animal Health and Welfare Act 2013 (AHWA) since May 2014. In 2017, ISPCA Inspectors initiated 19 prosecutions for offences under the AHWA and seized (or had surrendered to them) over 688 animals including 442 dogs, 111 cats and 55 equines. Twenty one prosecutions were finalised in court compared to fifteen in 2016. This brings the number of prosecutions initiated under the AHWA since our Inspectors received authorisation to over 100, with 48 having been finalised in court. The ISPCA's fourth annual Inspectorate Report will be published in March 2018 highlighting prosecutions finalised in 2017.

In 2017, the ISPCA continued to operate in accordance with its Strategic Framework 2016–2020, launched in January 2016, which presents the ISPCA's Vision, Mission and outlining key aims and objectives for the period covered. The ISPCA will continue to focus on four Core Animal Welfare Service Pillars:

1. Prevention and Enforcement.
2. Rescue, Rehabilitation and Responsible Rehoming.
3. Education.
4. Advocacy and Engagement.

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The Framework also details how the ISPCA will build foundations for the Core Animal Welfare Pillars. These foundations include:

1. Strengthening and building relationships between the ISPCA and its 19 affiliated member societies.
2. Recognise and acknowledge the commitment, talents and contribution of volunteers.

Other activities / achievements

In 2017, the ISPCA facilitated the rehoming of 350 dogs and 254 cats from a research facility in Co. Mayo.

Dog Warden Services

In 2017, the ISPCA operated five dog warden services for six local authorities. However, The ISPCA withdrew from the dog warden service for Carlow/Kilkenny local authorities on 30th June 2017. The five pounds admitted 1,158 dogs (619 surrendered, 539 seized or stray), of which 95% were reclaimed, rehomed or passed to approved rescue organisations.

b. FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES/INCOME GENERATION

The ISPCA employs a Fundraising Manager who is responsible for income generation. Income streams include direct debits, direct mailing, online shop and a range of events.

Between 2016 and 2017, the ISPCA invested in recruiting new regular donors through door to door recruitment and our new customer management system, ThankQ, became fully operational.

In 2016, the ISPCA received an ex-gratia grant of €310,000 from the Department of Agriculture, Food, and the Marine, towards the cost of the ISPCA's operational work in 2017.

The ISPCA wishes to thank all the benefactors who kindly remembered us in their wills and from whom we received legacies. The 2017 legacy income of €1,197,091 represents 38% of our income and gifts in wills are critical to help us rescue animals suffering from neglect and abuse.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

a. RESERVES POLICY

The company's available reserves at the period end was €2,554,636 (2016: €2,643,081). Of the available reserves €150,180 (2016: €561,895) are held for restricted purposes, as the funds were held in trust at the year end.

The ISPCA's Reserves Policy is due to be reviewed in 2018.

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PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

a. FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

In 2018, the ISPCA will:

- complete building a new six kennel extension block at the National Animal Centre to house whelping bitches and pups
- continue to develop the relationship with affiliated members and hold regular member meetings to discuss how the ISPCA can work more collaboratively with members over the coming years
- continue to review involvement in providing dog warden services
- continue to grow the Inspectorate, dependant on resources
- continue to advocate for all animals in all circumstances in Ireland and further afield through targeted campaigns

EMPLOYEE MATTERS

The wellbeing of the company's employees is safeguarded through adherence to health and safety standards.

POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

There have been no significant events affecting the company since the year end.

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DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

The directors are responsible for preparing the directors' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and the accounting standards issued by Chartered Accountants Ireland (Generally Accepted Accounting Practice in Ireland), including Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland".

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in operation.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2014. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITOR

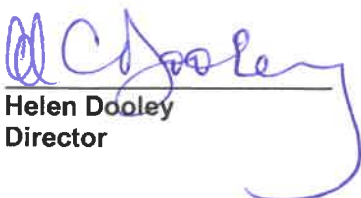
Each of the persons who are Directors at the time when this directors' report is approved has confirmed that:

- so far as that director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware, and
- that director has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a director in order to be aware of any information needed by the company's auditor in connection with preparing its report and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information.

AUDITOR

The independent auditor, RBK Business Advisers, Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors, will continue in office in accordance with provisions of Section 383 (2) of the Companies Act 2014.

This report was approved by the directors on 12 May 2018 and signed on their behalf by:


Helen Dooley
Director


Carin Bryans
Director

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE IRISH SOCIETY FOR THE
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OPINION

We have audited the Financial Statements of The Irish Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals for the year ended 31 December 2017 set out on pages 11 to 29. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable Irish law and Republic of Ireland Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' as modified by the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" effective 1 January 2015 (Republic of Ireland Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 December 2017 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with Republic of Ireland Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2014

BASIS FOR OPINION

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (Ireland)(ISAs (Ireland)) and applicable law. Our responsibility under those standards are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the Financial Statements in the Republic of Ireland, including the Ethical Standard as issued by the Irish Auditing and Accounting Supervisory Authority (IAASA), 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 (Ireland) require us to report to you where:

- the Directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the Financial Statements is not appropriate; or
- the Directors have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the charitable company'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.

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OTHER INFORMATION

The Directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the Financial Statements and our Auditors' Report thereon. 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.

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.

OPINION ON OTHER MATTERS PRESCRIBED BY THE COMPANIES ACT 2014

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Directors' report for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.
- the Directors' Report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

MATTERS ON WHICH WE ARE REQUIRED TO REPORT BY EXCEPTION

We have nothing to report in respect of the provisions in the Companies Act 2014 which require us to report to you if, in our opinion, the disclosures of directors' remuneration and transactions specified by law are not made.

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE IRISH SOCIETY FOR THE
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RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement, the Directors 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 Directors 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 Directors are responsible for assessing the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, where applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Directors either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

AUDITORS' RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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 Auditors' Report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but it is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (Ireland) 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 IAASA website. This description forms part of our Auditors' Report.

The purpose of our audit work and to who we owe our responsibilities.

This report is made solely to the company's members as a body in accordance with Section 391 of the Companies Act 2014. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable members those matters that we are required to state to them in the audit report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not except or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity or the charitable members as a body for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



Brian Feeney (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of
RBK Business Advisers
Chartered Accountants & Registered Auditor
RBK House
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Date: 12 May 2018

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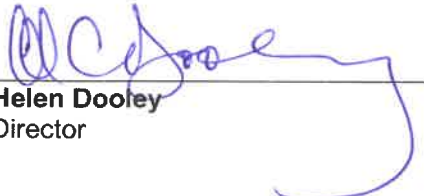
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017


	Note	Restricted funds 2017 €	Unrestricted funds 2017 €	Total funds 2017 €	Total funds 2016 €
INCOME FROM:					
Other trading activities	2	-	1,495,189	1,495,189	1,741,753
Investments	4	-	23,528	23,528	25,487
Other income	5	493,081	1,147,363	1,640,444	1,285,060
TOTAL INCOME		<u>493,081</u>	<u>2,666,080</u>	<u>3,159,161</u>	<u>3,052,300</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Charitable activities	6	493,081	2,461,671	2,954,752	3,103,497
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		<u>493,081</u>	<u>2,461,671</u>	<u>2,954,752</u>	<u>3,103,497</u>
NET INCOME / (EXPENDITURE) BEFORE INVESTMENT GAINS					
Net gains on investments		-	204,409	204,409	(51,197)
		-	125,057	125,057	88,133
NET INCOME BEFORE TRANSFERS		-	329,466	329,466	36,936
Transfers between Funds	19	(434,655)	-	(434,655)	(98,612)
NET INCOME / (EXPENDITURE)		<u>(434,655)</u>	<u>329,466</u>	<u>(105,189)</u>	<u>(61,676)</u>
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		<u>(434,655)</u>	<u>329,466</u>	<u>(105,189)</u>	<u>(61,676)</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:					
Total funds at 1 January 2017		584,835	2,058,246	2,643,081	2,704,757
TOTAL FUNDS AT 31 DECEMBER 2017		<u>150,180</u>	<u>2,387,712</u>	<u>2,537,892</u>	<u>2,643,081</u>

All activities relate to continuing operations.

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The financial statements were approved by the directors on 12 May 2018 and signed on their behalf by:


Helen Dooley
Director

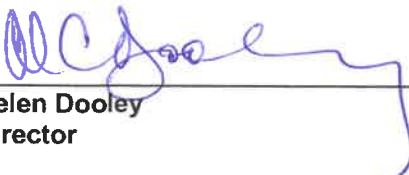

Carin Bryans
Director

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REGISTERED NUMBER: 460571


BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2017

	Note	€	2017 €	€	2016 €
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	12		1,395,765		1,402,454
Fixed asset investments	13		1,466,048		1,261,549
			2,861,813		2,664,003
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	14	19,908		20,940	
Debtors	15	78,323		31,955	
Cash at bank and in hand	16	423,557		781,424	
			521,788	834,319	
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	17		(645,855)	(587,339)	
NET CURRENT (LIABILITIES)/ASSETS			(124,067)		246,980
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			2,737,746		2,910,983
CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year	18		(199,854)		(267,902)
NET ASSETS			2,537,892		2,643,081
CHARITY FUNDS					
Restricted funds	19		150,180		584,835
Unrestricted funds	19		2,387,712		2,058,246
TOTAL FUNDS			2,537,892		2,643,081

The financial statements were approved by the directors on 12 May 2018 and signed on their behalf, by:



Helen Dooley
 Director



Carin Bryans
 Director

The notes on pages 14 to 29 form part of these financial statements.

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CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

	Note	2017 €	2016 €
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities	21	(144,286)	53,601
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Sale of property, plant and equipment		12,027	20,602
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(132,379)	(178,266)
Sale of investments		159,395	205,130
Purchase of investments		(238,837)	(118,161)
Net cash used in investing activities		(199,794)	(70,695)
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Repayments of borrowings		(7,394)	(81,032)
Repayment of finance leases		(6,393)	(39,380)
New finance lease		-	58,597
Net cash used in financing activities		(13,787)	(61,815)
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year	22	(357,867)	(78,909)
Cash and cash equivalents brought forward		781,424	860,333
Cash and cash equivalents carried forward		423,557	781,424

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2014.

The Irish Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

1.2 COMPANY STATUS

The company is a company limited by guarantee. In the event of the company being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to €1 per member of the company.

1.3 FUND ACCOUNTING

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Directors in furtherance of the general objectives of the company and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the Directors for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the company for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

1.4 INCOME

All income is recognised once the company has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Grant income is primarily derived from the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine.

Gifts in kind donated for distribution are included at valuation and recognised as income when they are distributed to the projects. Gifts donated for resale are included as income when they are sold. Donated facilities are included at the value to the company where this can be quantified and a third party is bearing the cost. No amounts are included in the financial statements for services donated by volunteers.

Donated services or facilities are recognised when the company has control over the item, any conditions associated with the donated item have been met, the receipt of economic benefit from the use of the company of the item is probable and that economic benefit can be measured reliably.

On receipt, donated professional services and donated facilities are recognised on the basis of the value of the gift to the company which is the amount the company would have been willing to pay to obtain services or facilities of equivalent economic benefit on the open market; a corresponding amount is then recognised in expenditure in the period of receipt.

Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Income tax recoverable in relation to investment income is recognised at the time the investment income is receivable.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

1.5 EXPENDITURE

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. All expenses including support costs and governance costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure headings.

Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Support costs are those costs incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the company and include project management carried out at Headquarters.

1.6 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS AND DEPRECIATION

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Freehold Property	-	2% straight line
Plant & equipment	-	12.5% straight line
Motor vehicles	-	20% straight line
Fixtures & fittings	-	12.5% straight line

In the case of bequest fixed assets received, cost represents the market value of assets at the date of acquisition.

1.7 INVESTMENTS

Investments are a form of basic financial instrument and are initially recognised at their transaction value and subsequently measured at their fair value as at the balance sheet date using the closing quoted market price. The Statement of Financial Activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year.

1.8 INTEREST RECEIVABLE

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

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

1.9 LEASING AND HIRE PURCHASE

Assets obtained under hire purchase contracts and finance leases are capitalised as Tangible Fixed Assets. Assets acquired by finance lease are depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and their useful lives. Assets acquired by hire purchase are depreciated over their useful lives. Finance leases are those where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership are assumed by the company. Obligations under such agreements are included in creditors net of the finance charge allocated to future periods. The finance element of the rental payment is charged to the statement of financial activities so as to produce a constant periodic rate of charge on the net obligation outstanding in each period.

1.10 STOCKS

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value after making due allowance for obsolete and slow-moving stocks. Cost includes all direct costs and an appropriate proportion of fixed and variable overheads.

1.11 DEBTORS

Trade and Other Debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount repaid net of any trade discounts due.

1.12 CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

1.13 CREDITORS AND PROVISIONS

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the company has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

1.14 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

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

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

1.15 FOREIGN CURRENCIES

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into euros at rates of exchange ruling at the Balance Sheet date.

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into euros at the rate ruling on the date of the transaction.

Exchange gains and losses are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities.

1.16 GOVERNMENT GRANTS

Government grants relating to tangible fixed assets are treated as deferred income and released to the Statement of Financial Activities over the expected useful lives of the assets concerned. Other grants are credited to the Statement of Financial Activities as the related expenditure is incurred.

1.17 PENSIONS

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme and the pension charge represents the amounts payable by the company to the fund in respect of the year.

2. TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Restricted funds 2017 €	Unrestricted funds 2017 €	Total funds 2017 €	<i>Total funds 2016 €</i>
CHARITY TRADING INCOME				
Dog Warden Service	-	808,915	808,915	918,810
Affiliation fees	-	2,032	2,032	2,413
Fundraising and donations	-	684,242	684,242	820,530
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Net income from trading activities	-	1,495,189	1,495,189	1,741,753
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In 2016, of total income from dog warden services, affiliation fees, fundraising and donations, €22,940 was to restricted and €1,718,813 was to unrestricted.

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3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF GRANTS RECEIVED FROM PUBLIC FUNDS

The Irish Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals gratefully acknowledges with thanks the important contribution made by its funders and sponsors during the year:

Name of Grant Making Agency	Name of Grant Programme	Purpose of Grant	Amount €	Term of Grant
Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine	Ex Gratia Funding to Animal Welfare Organisations	Animal Welfare Activities	310,000	12 months
Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government	Local Government Community Services	Operation of the guard dog register, microchipping and neutering	35,000	12 months
Department of Social Protection	Jobplus incentive	To offer employment opportunities to the long term unemployed.	14,167	12 months
Limerick City and County Council	Voluntary	Animal Welfare Activities	3,800	12 Months

Grants received may be restricted for use for a particular programme or for the delivery of a service.

In accordance with the conditions attaching to certain sponsorship and funding, the ISPCA is required to disclose the level of funding received annually. Hence this note is not an exhaustive list of all grants received.

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Restricted funds	Unrestricted funds	Total funds	<i>Total funds</i>
	2017	2017	2017	2016
	€	€	€	€
Dividend income	-	22,840	22,840	24,549
Interest income	-	688	688	938
	<u>-</u>	<u>23,528</u>	<u>23,528</u>	<u>25,487</u>
	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>23,528</u></u>	<u><u>23,528</u></u>	<u><u>25,487</u></u>

All investment income in the prior year of €25,487 was classified as unrestricted income.

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5. OTHER INCOMING RESOURCES

	Restricted funds 2017 €	Unrestricted funds 2017 €	Total funds 2017 €	Total funds 2016 €
Other income	-	430,782	430,782	474,620
Bequest income	493,081	704,010	1,197,091	809,800
Income from sale of equipment	-	12,571	12,571	640
	<u>493,081</u>	<u>1,147,363</u>	<u>1,640,444</u>	<u>1,285,060</u>

In 2016, of the total other income from Other Incoming Resources €85,895 was to restricted and €1,199,165 was to unrestricted funds.

6. ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Restricted funds 2017 €	Unrestricted funds 2017 €	Total funds 2017 €	Total funds 2016 €
Head Office *	493,081	1,625,407	2,118,488	2,166,555
Dog Warden Service *	-	836,264	836,264	936,942
	<u>493,081</u>	<u>2,461,671</u>	<u>2,954,752</u>	<u>3,103,497</u>

* Please see note 7 & 8 for breakdown.

7. DIRECT COSTS

	Head Office €	Dog Warden Service €	Total 2017 €	Total 2016 €
Direct labour salaries	867,127	509,365	1,376,492	1,385,437
Motor costs	91,716	40,822	132,538	147,516
Animal costs	238,697	19,096	257,793	240,038
Veterinary fees	124,807	34,994	159,801	197,852
Telephone	17,198	7,046	24,244	25,196
Uniform and protective clothing	10,352	1,315	11,667	7,463
Depreciation	77,289	13,691	90,980	84,187
Light & Heat	24,148	7,044	31,192	24,950
Repairs & Maintenance	45,165	4,939	50,104	60,672
Rent & Rates	-	57,021	57,021	54,777
Subscriptions and affiliation fees	34,298	-	34,298	8,745
Animal Welfare Campaigns	10,870	-	10,870	14,547
	<u>1,541,667</u>	<u>695,333</u>	<u>2,237,000</u>	<u>2,251,380</u>

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8. SUPPORT COSTS

	Head Office	Dog Warden Service	Total 2017	Total 2016
	€	€	€	€
Admin and management charge	(29,046)	29,046	-	-
Staff costs	235,173	72,676	307,849	300,410
Travel and Accommodation	15,853	-	15,853	14,948
Postage, phone & stationery	17,617	8,996	26,613	32,620
Computer and website costs	39,854	1,015	40,869	22,159
Advertising and promotion	10,070	258	10,328	11,016
Insurance	31,673	17,427	49,100	34,184
Legal and professional fees	52,114	599	52,713	33,537
Audit, accountancy and consultancy	11,699	9,074	20,773	26,845
Repairs & Maintenance	12,955	-	12,955	11,764
Rates	2,755	-	2,755	6,519
Rent	6,950	-	6,950	7,992
Light and heat	6,148	-	6,148	5,011
Depreciation	36,060	-	36,060	29,565
Bank interest and leasing	13,145	1,840	14,985	16,211
General expenses	-	-	-	45
Subscriptions and affiliation fees	2,095	-	2,095	2,516
Fundraising costs	111,706	-	111,706	296,775
	<u>576,821</u>	<u>140,931</u>	<u>717,752</u>	<u>852,117</u>

9. NET INCOMING RESOURCES/(RESOURCES EXPENDED)

This is stated after charging:

	2017	2016
	€	€
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets:		
- owned by the charitable company	84,264	85,480
- held under finance leases	42,777	28,272
(Loss)/Profit on sale of investments	(1,407)	(12,676)
Auditor's remuneration	15,900	15,900
	<u>141,534</u>	<u>116,976</u>

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10. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees was: 48 (2016: 49) and the average monthly number of employees during the year expressed as full time equivalents was as follows (including casual and part-time staff):

	2017	2016
	No.	No.
Administration	11	10
Inspectors	9	8
Animal centres	18	17
Dog warden service	10	14
	<u>48</u>	<u>49</u>

	Head Office	Dog Warden	2017	2016
	€	Service	€	€
		€		
Wages & Salaries	984,865	508,459	1,493,324	1,500,076
Employer PRSI	103,033	55,062	158,095	153,732
Pension Costs	14,402	18,520	32,922	32,039
Total	<u>1,102,300</u>	<u>582,041</u>	<u>1,684,341</u>	<u>1,685,847</u>

During the year, no directors received any remuneration (2016 - €NIL).

The number of higher paid employees was:

	2017	2016
	No.	No.
In the band €90,001 - €100,000	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

These bands include basic pay and excludes employer pension and PRSI contributions.

The CEO remuneration amounts to €92,339 (2016: €89,949) for the year.

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11. INTEREST PAYABLE

	2017	2016
	€	€
Lease finance charges and hire purchase interest	1,166	1,059
Bank interest and charges	11,979	15,153
	13,145	16,212

12. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property €	Plant & machinery €	Motor vehicles €	Total €
COST				
At 1 January 2017	1,771,218	534,624	441,679	2,747,521
Additions	-	62,425	69,954	132,379
Disposals	-	(10,247)	(138,436)	(148,683)
At 31 December 2017	1,771,218	586,802	373,197	2,731,217
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 January 2017	632,755	403,748	308,564	1,345,067
Charge for the year	26,071	47,031	53,939	127,041
On disposals	-	(8,977)	(127,679)	(136,656)
At 31 December 2017	658,826	441,802	234,824	1,335,452
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 December 2017	1,112,392	145,000	138,373	1,395,765
At 31 December 2016	1,138,463	130,876	133,115	1,402,454

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12. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS (continued)

In respect of prior year:

	Freehold property €	Plant & machinery €	Motor vehicles €	Fixtures & fittings €	Total €
COST					
At 1 January 2016	1,771,218	451,709	421,269	46,772	2,690,967
Additions	-	86,465	91,801	-	178,266
Disposals	-	(3,550)	(71,391)	-	(74,941)
At 31 December 2016	<u>1,771,218</u>	<u>534,623</u>	<u>441,679</u>	<u>46,772</u>	<u>2,794,292</u>
DEPRECIATION					
At 1 January 2016	610,275	370,093	305,285	46,772	1,332,425
Charge for the year	22,480	36,761	54,511	-	113,752
On disposals	-	(3,106)	(51,233)	-	(54,339)
At 31 December 2016	<u>632,755</u>	<u>403,748</u>	<u>308,563</u>	<u>46,772</u>	<u>1,391,838</u>
NET BOOK VALUE					
At 31 December 2016	<u>1,138,463</u>	<u>130,875</u>	<u>133,116</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,402,454</u>
At 31 December 2015	<u>1,160,943</u>	<u>81,615</u>	<u>115,984</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,358,542</u>

The net book value of assets held under finance leases or hire purchase contracts, included above, are as follows:

	2017 €	2016 €
Motor vehicles	<u>111,229</u>	<u>125,328</u>

The land and buildings were revalued by independent third party Auctioneers on an open market existing use basis.

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13. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Listed securities €
MARKET VALUE	
At 1 January 2017	1,261,549
Additions	363,892
Disposals	(159,393)
	1,466,048
At 31 December 2017	1,466,048

The movement in the carrying value of the fixed asset investments as shown above is comprised of the following:

	€
Purchases of listed investments in the period	238,837
Disposals of listed investments	(128,721)
Unrealised gain on revaluation of listed investments held	125,056
Impairment write off on listed investments disposed	(30,674)
	204,498
Total	204,498

14. STOCKS

	2017 €	2016 €
Finished goods	19,908	20,940
	19,908	20,940

15. DEBTORS

	2017 €	2016 €
Trade debtors	62,532	19,533
Prepayments and accrued income	15,791	12,422
	78,323	31,955
	78,323	31,955

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16. BANK AND CASH

	2017	2016
	€	€
Bank and Cash	423,557	781,424

This includes monies held in trust of €127,240 (2016 - €561,895). Please see note 19 for breakdown.

**17. CREDITORS:
AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2017	2016
	€	€
Bank loans and overdrafts	88,182	82,670
Net obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts	35,691	31,494
Trade creditors	82,737	118,002
Other creditors	395,000	310,000
Accruals and deferred income	44,245	45,173
	645,855	587,339

**18. CREDITORS:
AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR**

	2017	2016
	€	€
Bank loans	167,117	238,527
Net obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts	32,737	29,375
	199,854	267,902

Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts, included above, are payable as follows:

	2017	2016
	€	€
Between one and five years	32,737	29,375

Allied Irish Bank Plc hold as security a mortgage over the company property at Derryglogher, Keenagh, Co. Longford and a charge over specific share portfolio investments.

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19. STATEMENT OF FUNDS

	Brought Forward €	Incoming resources €	Resources Expended €	Transfers in/out €	Gains/ (Losses) €	Carried Forward €
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS						
General Funds	2,058,246	2,666,080	(2,461,671)	-	125,057	2,387,712
RESTRICTED FUNDS						
Restricted Funds	22,940	-	-	-	-	22,940
Restricted Funds	561,895	493,081	(493,081)	(434,655)	-	127,240
	<u>584,835</u>	<u>493,081</u>	<u>(493,081)</u>	<u>(434,655)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>150,180</u>
Total of funds	<u><u>2,643,081</u></u>	<u><u>3,159,161</u></u>	<u><u>(2,954,752)</u></u>	<u><u>(434,655)</u></u>	<u><u>125,057</u></u>	<u><u>2,537,892</u></u>

SUMMARY OF FUNDS

	Brought Forward €	Incoming resources €	Resources Expended €	Transfers in/out €	Gains/ (Losses) €	Carried Forward €
General funds	2,058,246	2,666,080	(2,461,671)	-	125,057	2,387,712
Restricted funds	584,835	493,081	(493,081)	(434,655)	-	150,180
	<u>2,643,081</u>	<u>3,159,161</u>	<u>(2,954,752)</u>	<u>(434,655)</u>	<u>125,057</u>	<u>2,537,892</u>

The ISPCA holds monies in trust (in cash) for member societies as follows:

	2017 €	2016 €
Donegal SPCA	44,740	441,054
Kilkenny SPCA	-	841
Waterford SPCA	82,500	120,000
Restricted funds	<u><u>127,240</u></u>	<u><u>561,895</u></u>

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20. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Restricted funds 2017 €	Unrestricted funds 2017 €	Total funds 2017 €	Total funds 2016 €
Tangible fixed assets	1,356,538	39,227	1,395,765	1,402,454
Fixed asset investments	1,466,048	-	1,466,048	1,261,549
Current assets	456,453	65,335	521,788	834,318
Creditors due within one year	(832,328)	186,473	(645,855)	(587,339)
Creditors due in more than one year	(187,586)	(12,268)	(199,854)	(267,901)
Funds held in trust	150,180	(150,180)	-	-
	<u>150,180</u>	<u>2,387,712</u>	<u>2,537,892</u>	<u>2,643,080</u>

21. RECONCILIATION OF NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2017 €	2016 €
Net expenditure for the year (as per Statement of financial activities)	(105,189)	(61,676)
Adjustment for:		
Depreciation charges	127,041	113,752
Returns on investment and servicing of finance	17,938	4,715
Net gain / (loss) on investments	(125,057)	(88,133)
(Increase) / decrease in stock	1,032	2,324
(Increase) / decrease in debtors	(46,368)	38,578
Increase / (decrease) in creditors	(13,683)	44,041
Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities	<u>(144,286)</u>	<u>53,601</u>

22. ANALYSIS OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	2017 €	2016 €
Cash in bank and in hand	423,557	781,424
Total	<u>423,557</u>	<u>781,424</u>

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23. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

	2017	2016
	€	€
Leitrim SPCA	-	4,000
Roscommon SPCA	5,645	5,645
	<u>5,645</u>	<u>5,645</u>

24. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements were approved by the directors on 12 May 2018.