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**THE ROWETT RESEARCH INSTITUTE**  
(Limited by Guarantee, Not Having a Share Capital)

**REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021**

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**Financial Statements for the Year ended 31 July 2021**

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# **THE ROWETT RESEARCH INSTITUTE (Limited by Guarantee, Not Having a Share Capital)**

## **Report of the Governing Body for the Year ended 31 July 2021**

The Governing Body, who are the trustees and directors of the charitable company, present their report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 July 2021. The financial statements have been prepared on the basis of the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the Rowett Research Institute's ("the Institute's") Memorandum and Articles of Association, applicable law and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities 2019.

In preparing this report, the Governing Body has taken advantage of the small companies exemption provided by Section 414B of the Companies Act and have not prepared a strategic report.

### **Reference and Administration Details**

#### **Governing Body:**

Mrs M McNeill (to 11 November 2021)  
Professor M Campbell  
Mr A Wight (to 16 November 2021)  
Professor P Hannaford  
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Vacant

#### **Company Secretary:**

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### **Structure, Governance and Management**

#### **History of the Institute**

The Rowett Research Institute was first established by a Joint Committee of the University of Aberdeen and the North of Scotland College of Agriculture following a recommendation under the 1911 Scheme of Development Commission for promoting scientific research in animal nutrition in the Aberdeen area. It takes its name from John Quiller Rowett, a London businessman, who in 1919 provided funds to enable land to be purchased and the first laboratories to be built on the Bucksburn site. In 1962, the Institute was incorporated under the Companies Act 1948, No SC037444. On 30 June 2008, the Institute merged with the University of Aberdeen and the company is now a 100% owned subsidiary of the University.

It remains a company limited by Guarantee within the meaning of Part 1 of the Companies Act 2006 and is subject to the obligations imposed on such companies by the Companies Acts. The Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (Scottish Charity Number SC007269) also recognises the Institute as a Charity.

#### **Membership of the Governing Body**

The Members of the Governing Body of the Institute up for the year ended 31 July 2021 and as at the date of this report are shown within the reference and administration details section. Under the Merger Agreement with the University of Aberdeen, a new Board of six members replaced the existing Board with effect from 30 June 2008. The members of the Governing Body were not paid emoluments or expenses during the year ended 31 July 2021

New members of the Governing Body are recruited and provided with training in accordance with the University of Aberdeen's procedures and its Governance and Nominations Committee.

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### **Organisational Structure**

Following the merger, agreement was reached that all employees, activities and assets apart from heritable land and property would transfer to the University. All employees were transferred into the employment of the University of Aberdeen's Rowett Institute of Nutrition and Health under the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) (TUPE) Regulations 2006. All administrative duties are carried out by the University of Aberdeen on behalf of the Institute. As a result, the Rowett Research Institute has only a Governing Body and no other committees or structures in place.

### **Objectives and Activities**

Until the merger with the University of Aberdeen, the Institute carried out an integrated scientific research programme in biological sciences of relevance to agriculture, food and health under Rolling Programme 4 (Nutrition). Following the merger, these activities were transferred to the University where these activities are being continued by the University's Rowett Institute. The Rowett Research Institute is continuing to hold its land and investment property assets with the intention of applying the remaining reserves to its charitable objectives via the University of Aberdeen in the future. The University is supporting the Rowett Research Institute to actively dispose of these assets in order to allow the proceeds to be applied towards these objectives.

### **Achievements, Performance, and Plans for future years**

In the current year, the Institute has held its land and investment property assets. The lease of land and property to the University ended in June 2016 with the completion of the new Rowett facility at the Foresterhill campus at that date.

### **Investment Policy and Returns**

The Institute currently holds cash and is unlikely to hold any other class of investment in the foreseeable future. Cash holdings are deposited with the charity's bankers in a combination of the current account and an instant access deposit account.

### **Principal risks and uncertainties**

As the Rowett Research Institute only continues to hold its land and investment property assets, which are used to support the activities now undertaken by the University of Aberdeen, the Governing Body is of the view that the only principal risks and uncertainties relating to the Institute are managed through its estate investment. The wider capital estates strategy in the context of the University of Aberdeen, including plans for the Rowett Institute, is discussed within the University's Annual Report and Accounts.

### **Key performance indicators ("KPIs")**

The Governing Body are of the opinion that analysis using KPIs is not necessary for an understanding of the development or position of the charity, given that there is no ongoing activity within the Institute, with the exception of the holding land and buildings and investment property assets. The development and position of Aberdeen University, which includes the Institute, is discussed in the Group's Annual Report and Accounts.

### **Reserves Policy**

The merger agreement between the Institute and the University of Aberdeen states that the remaining reserves held within the Institute, after the transfer of endowments received for specific purposes, will be applied to the cost of the new facility at Foresterhill. This includes the endowment and capital funds that are restricted for that purpose. Based on the Institute's planned activities, the Governing Body is of the opinion that minimal reserves are required. The current level of reserves is therefore considered more than appropriate for this purpose.

### **Financial Review**

The statement of financial activity is set out on page 6 and reports a surplus before revaluation of £3.9m for the year ended 31 July 2021 (2020: loss £1.4m). Expenditure of £0.4m (2020: £4.3m) relates to the costs of the planned disposal of surplus land. Investment properties increased in value by a net £0.1m compared with a fall of £0.3m in the prior year. Generally, the residential properties in Aberdeen have reduced in line with the market. Overall, the Institute reported comprehensive income of £4.0m (2020: comprehensive expenditure of £1.7m).

The Governing Body confirms that, on a fund by fund basis, the Group's assets are available and adequate to fund its obligations.

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## **Report of the Governing Body for the Year ended 31 July 2021**

### **Statement of the Governing Body's Responsibilities**

The Governing Body (who are the trustees for the purpose of charity law, and also the directors of the Rowett Research Institute for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Report of the Governing Body and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the Governing Body to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law, they are required to prepare the financial statements in accordance with UK Accounting Standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS102 the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland.

Under company law, the Governing Body 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 charitable company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Governing Body is required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- assess the company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern; and
- use the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate the company or to cease operations or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Governing Body is 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 2006, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, and regulation 8 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). They are responsible for such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

The Governing Body is responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

### **Disclosure of information to auditor**

The trustees who held office at the date of approval of this trustees' report confirm that, so far as they are each aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Trust's auditor is unaware and each trustee has taken all reasonable steps as a trustee to make him or her aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Trust's auditor is aware of that information.

### **Auditor**

Pursuant to Section 487 of the Companies Act 2006, the auditor will be deemed to be reappointed and KPMG LLP will therefore continue in office.

### **By order of the Governing Body**



Professor M Campbell  
Chair

19 January 2022

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# Independent Auditor's Report to the Trustees and Members of the Rowett Research Institute

We have audited the financial statements of the Rowett Research Institute ("the charitable company") for the year ended 31 July 2021 which comprise Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, Statement of Changes in Cash flows and related notes, including the accounting policies in note 1.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 July 2021 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 UK accounting standards, including FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, and regulation 8 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

## Basis for opinion

We have been appointed as auditor under section 44 (1)(c) of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and under the Companies Act 2006 and report in accordance with regulations made under those Acts.

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) ("ISAs (UK)") and applicable law. Our responsibilities are described below. We have fulfilled our ethical responsibilities under, and are independent of the charitable company in accordance with, UK ethical requirements including the FRC Ethical Standard. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is a sufficient and appropriate basis for our opinion.

## Going concern

The Governing Body has prepared the financial statements on the going concern basis as they do not intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease its operations, and as they have concluded that the charitable company's financial position means that this is realistic. They have also concluded that there are no material uncertainties that could have cast significant doubt over its ability to continue as a going concern for at least a year from the date of approval of the financial statements ("the going concern period").

In our evaluation of the Governing body conclusions, we considered the inherent risks to the charitable company's business model and analysed how those risks might affect the charitable company's financial resources or ability to continue operations over the going concern period.

Our conclusions based on this work:

- we consider that the Governing body's' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate;
- we have not identified, and concur with the Governing body's' assessment that there is not, a material uncertainty related to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for the going concern period.

However, as we cannot predict all future events or conditions and as subsequent events may result in outcomes that are inconsistent with judgements that were reasonable at the time they were made, the above conclusions are not a guarantee that the charitable company will continue in operation.

## Fraud and breaches of laws and regulations – ability to detect

### *Identifying and responding to risks of material misstatement due to fraud*

To identify risks of material misstatement due to fraud ("fraud risks") we assessed events or conditions that could indicate an incentive or pressure to commit fraud or provide an opportunity to commit fraud. Our risk assessment procedures included :

- Enquiring of management and inspection of policy documentation as to the Charitable Company's high-level policies and procedures to prevent and detect fraud, as well as whether they have knowledge of any actual, suspected or alleged fraud.
- Reading Governing Body meeting minutes.
- Using analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships.

We communicated identified fraud risks throughout the audit team and remained alert to any indications of fraud throughout the audit .

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As required by auditing standards, we perform procedures to address the risk of management override of controls, in particular the risk that management may be in a position to make inappropriate accounting entries. On this audit we do not believe there is a fraud risk related to revenue recognition because there are no revenue transactions.

We did not identify any additional fraud risks.

We performed procedures including agreeing all accounting entries in the period to supporting documentation.

### *Identifying and responding to risks of material misstatement due to non-compliance with laws and regulations*

We identified areas of laws and regulations that could reasonably be expected to have a material effect on the financial statements from our general commercial and sector experience and through discussion with the directors (as required by auditing standards), and discussed with the Governing body the policies and procedures regarding compliance with laws and regulations.

The potential effect of these laws and regulations on the financial statements varies considerably.

The charitable company is subject to laws and regulations that directly affect the financial statements including financial reporting legislation (including related charity and companies legislation), and we assessed the extent of compliance with these laws and regulations as part of our procedures on the related financial statement items. We communicated identified laws and regulations throughout our team and remained alert to any indications of non-compliance throughout the audit.

Whilst the Charitable Company is subject to many other laws and regulations, we did not identify any others where the consequences of non-compliance alone could have a material effect on amounts or disclosures in the financial statements.

Auditing standards limit the required audit procedures to identify non-compliance with these laws and regulations to enquiry of the Governing body and other management and inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any. Therefore if a breach of operational regulations is not disclosed to us or evident from relevant correspondence, an audit will not detect that breach.

### *Context of the ability of the audit to detect fraud or breaches of law or regulation*

Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that we may not have detected some material misstatements in the financial statements, even though we have properly planned and performed our audit in accordance with auditing standards. For example, the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely the inherently limited procedures required by auditing standards would identify it.

In addition, as with any audit, there remained a higher risk of non-detection of fraud, as these may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls. Our audit procedures are designed to detect material misstatement. We are not responsible for preventing non-compliance or fraud and cannot be expected to detect non-compliance with all laws and regulations.

### **Other Information**

The Governing Body is responsible for the other information, which comprises the Report of the Governing Body. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or, except as explicitly stated below, any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether, based on our financial statements audit work, the information therein is materially misstated or inconsistent with the financial statements or our audit knowledge. Based solely on that work:

- we have not identified material misstatements in the other information;
- in our opinion the information given in the Report of the Governing Body, which constitutes the directors' report for the financial year, is consistent with the financial statements; and
- in our opinion those reports have been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006.

### **Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

Under the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended), we are required to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the charitable company has not kept adequate and proper accounting records or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or

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- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the Governing Body were not entitled to take advantage of the small companies exemption from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

We have nothing to report in these respects.

### Governing Body responsibilities

As explained more fully in their statement set out on page 3, the Governing Body (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view; such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; assessing the charitable company'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 they either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

### Auditor's responsibilities

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 our opinion in an auditor's report. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but does not 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 aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial statements.

A fuller description of our responsibilities is provided on the FRC's website at [www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities).

The purpose of our audit work and to whom we owe our responsibilities

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006, and to the charitable company's 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. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members and the charitable company's trustees 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 charitable company, its members as a body and its trustees, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



**Michael Wilkie (Senior Statutory Auditor)**

**For and on behalf of KPMG LLP, Statutory Auditor**

*Chartered Accountants*

*KPMG LLP is eligible to act as an auditor in terms of section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006*

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26 January 2022



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**Statement of Financial Activities for the Year ended 31 July 2021**  
**(including income and expenditure account)**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Capital Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		£000	£000	£000	2021	2020
					£000	£000
<b>Income from:</b>						
Bank Interest	3	-	-	-	-	12
Other	4	5,424	-	(1,165)	<b>4,259</b>	2,842
<b>Total income</b>		<b>5,424</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(1,165)</b>	<b>4,259</b>	<b>2,854</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>						
Expenditure on charitable activities	5	356	-	-	<b>356</b>	4,293
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<b>356</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>356</b>	<b>4,293</b>
<b>Net (expenditure)/income before other recognised gains and losses</b>		<b>5,068</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(1,165)</b>	<b>3,903</b>	<b>(1,439)</b>
<b>Other recognised gains/(losses)</b>						
Gain/(loss) on revaluation of fixed assets		-	-	51	<b>51</b>	(250)
<b>Total comprehensive (expenditure)/income</b>		<b>5,068</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(1,114)</b>	<b>3,954</b>	<b>(1,689)</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>						
Total funds brought forward		3,275	-	4,158	<b>7,433</b>	9,122
<b>Total funds to be carried forward</b>		<b>8,343</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,044</b>	<b>11,387</b>	<b>7,433</b>

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**Balance Sheet as at 31 July 2021**

	Note	2021 £000	2020 £000
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	6	<u>3,044</u>	<u>4,158</u>
		<u>3,044</u>	<u>4,158</u>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	7	2,106	2,412
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>6,299</u>	<u>901</u>
		<u>8,405</u>	<u>3,313</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Creditors falling due within one year	8	(62)	(38)
		<u>8,343</u>	<u>3,275</u>
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>8,343</u>	<u>3,275</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<u>11,416</u>	<u>7,433</u>
<b>Total net assets</b>	14	<u>11,387</u>	<u>7,433</u>
<b>The funds of the charity</b>			
Unrestricted funds (reserves)	10	8,343	3,275
Restricted funds (reserves)	11	-	-
Capital funds - revaluation reserve	12	3,044	4,158
<b>Total charity funds</b>	14	<u>11,387</u>	<u>7,433</u>

The financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions subject to the small companies regime within the Companies Act 2006, Part 15, were approved on behalf of the Governing Body on 19 January 2022 and were signed on its behalf by:



Professor M Campbell  
Chair

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**Statement of Cash Flows for the Year ended 31 July 2021**

	Note	2021 £000	2020 £000
<b>Cash used in operating activities</b>	13	<b>(332)</b>	(4,311)
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Interest income	3	-	12
Investment income	3	-	-
<b>Cash provided by investing activities</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>12</u>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>			
Proceeds on sale of tangible assets		<u>5,730</u>	<u>3,681</u>
<b>Cash provided by financing activities</b>		<u>5,730</u>	<u>3,681</u>
Increase/(decrease)		<b>5,398</b>	(618)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		<b>901</b>	1,519
<b>Total cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year</b>		<u><b>6,299</b></u>	<u>901</u>

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year ended 31 July 2021

#### 1 Statement of accounting policies

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 2006.

The company has availed itself of Paragraph 3(3) of Schedule 4 of the Companies Act and adapted the Companies Act formats to reflect the special nature of the company's activities.

#### Basis of accounting

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention, modified by the revaluation of tangible fixed assets, investment property and listed investments. The presentation currency of the financial statements is sterling. A summary of the principal accounting policies, which have been applied consistently, is set out below.

#### Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis which the Governing Body consider to be appropriate for the following reasons.

The Governing Body have prepared a medium term financial plan, including cash flow forecasts for a period of 12 months from the date of approval of these financial statements which indicate that, taking account of severe but plausible downsides, including changes arising from the Covid-19 pandemic, the company will have sufficient funds, to meet its liabilities as they fall due for that period.

The Governing Body therefore continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the annual financial statements.

#### Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are capitalised at their cost of acquisition and installation. Following the disposal of the majority of buildings, the previous policy of revaluing land and buildings on a depreciated replacement cost (DRC) basis was no longer relevant. Remaining land is now carried at the 31 July 2014 valuation figure and is reviewed on an annual basis.

The Institute performs impairment reviews of its land and buildings whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised when the recoverable amount of an asset, which is the higher of the asset's net realisable value and its value in use, is less than its carrying amount.

Investment property is land and buildings held for rental income or capital appreciation rather than for use in delivering services. Investment properties are measured initially at cost and subsequently at fair value with movements recognised in the statement of financial activities for the year. Investment property whose fair value cannot be measured reliably without undue cost or effort is accounted for as property, plant and equipment using the cost model under Section 17, which requires the property to be depreciated.

#### Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets, other than land and investment properties which are not depreciated. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the re-valued cost of each asset over the following useful lives:

Freehold buildings	5 – 50 years
Plant and machinery	5 – 10 years
Vehicles	5 years
Computers	3 years

#### Investments

Listed investments are stated at market value, unlisted securities are stated at cost less provision for impairment. Investments in subsidiaries are included at cost, except where provision is made against an identified permanent diminution in value.

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#### 1 Statement of accounting policies (continued)

##### **Restricted income and associated expenditure**

Income is recognised when the company 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.

Restricted income is any income that is for specific purposes as designated by the granter or donor and can only be applied to those purposes, e.g. research grants. Rental income generated from the use of restricted fund assets is also treated as restricted, as is investment income arising from the investment of restricted funds. Where expenditure in the income and expenditure account has been financed by restricted income, both have been dealt with under the accruals concept and are matching.

##### **Taxation**

The Institute is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable trust for UK income tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Part 10 Income Tax Act 2007 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

##### **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.

##### **Financial instruments**

The company only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments, which are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at amortised cost.

##### **Resources expended**

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings, they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources.

##### **Charitable activities**

Activities in furtherance of charities objectives comprise all expenditure directly relating to the objects of the Institute and the direct costs of supporting those activities and projects.

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any purpose of charity. Restricted funds are donations which the donor has specified are to be solely used for particular areas of the charity's work or for specific projects undertaken.

##### **Critical accounting judgments and estimates**

Critical accounting judgments may include the timing of recognition of the disposal of tangible assets, in particular land sales. The land portfolio is held without planning permission and is valued as such, the market value of individual parcels of land, subject to potential sale, is reassessed at the point when any sale is confirmed. A Judgment is required to assess the timing when control of the asset is transferred to the purchaser. During the year, the Institute recognised disposal of land and buildings as disclosed in note 4.

Estimation is required in the annual market valuation of investment property. The annual valuation at 31 July 2021 is disclosed in note 6.

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**2 Statement of Financial Activities for the Year ended 31 July 2020**  
**(including income and expenditure account)**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Capital Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		£000	£000	£000	2020	2019
					£000	£000
<b>Income from:</b>						
Bank Interest	3	12	-	-	12	4
Other	4	4,093	-	(1,251)	2,842	53
<b>Total income</b>		<u>4,105</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,251)</u>	<u>2,854</u>	<u>57</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>						
Expenditure on charitable activities	5	3,698	595	-	4,293	279
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<u>3,698</u>	<u>595</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,293</u>	<u>279</u>
<b>Net (expenditure)/income before other recognised gains and losses</b>		407	(595)	(1,251)	<b>(1,439)</b>	(222)
<b>Other recognised gains/losses</b> <i>(Loss)/gain on revaluation of fixed assets</i>		-	-	(250)	<b>(250)</b>	(401)
<b>Total comprehensive (expenditure)/income</b>		407	(595)	(1,501)	<b>(1,689)</b>	(623)
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>						
Total funds brought forward		2,868	595	5,659	9,122	9,745
<b>Total funds to be carried forward</b>		<u>3,275</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,158</u>	<u>7,433</u>	<u>9,122</u>

<b>3 Income from investments</b>	<b>2021</b>	2020
	<b>£000</b>	£000
Bank interest	-	12
<b>4 Other income</b>	<b>2021</b>	2020
	<b>£000</b>	£000
Gain on disposal of land and buildings	<u>4,259</u>	<u>2,842</u>
<b>5 Expenditure - charitable activities</b>	<b>2021</b>	2020
	<b>£000</b>	£000
Donation to the University of Aberdeen	-	4,000
Costs regarding disposal of assets	353	290
Other expenditure	3	3
	<u>356</u>	<u>4,293</u>

The Rowett Research Institute has no employees.

External audit fees for audit services are £3,300 including VAT.

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#### 6 Tangible assets

	<b>Land &amp; Buildings £000</b>
<b>Cost or valuation</b>	
At 1 August 2020	4,216
Revaluation	51
Disposals	(1,165)
At 31 July 2021	<u>3,102</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>	
At 1 August 2020	(58)
Charge for year	-
At 31 July 2021	<u>(58)</u>
<b>Net book value</b>	
At 31 July 2021	<u>3,044</u>
At 31 July 2020	<u>4,158</u>

Included within land and buildings are investment properties with a net book value at 31 July 2021 of £2,045k (2020: £3,077k). These residential properties are not depreciated but are revalued annually in accordance with FRS102, section 16: Investment Properties. The latest valuation was carried out on 31 July 2021 by J & E Shepherd, Chartered Surveyors on an open market value basis. Remaining tangible assets relate to land. Land is valued based on its agricultural use and is reviewed as and when developers are in a position to secure outline planning permission prior to any sale. As at 31 July 2021, none of the land holding was subject to a potential disposal.

	<b>2021 £000</b>	2020 £000
<b>7 Debtors: Amounts falling due within one year</b>		
Other debtors	<u>2,106</u>	<u>2,412</u>

	<b>2020 £000</b>	2020 £000
<b>8 Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year</b>		
Other creditors	21	21
Accruals	<u>41</u>	<u>17</u>
	<u>62</u>	<u>38</u>

#### 9 Company guarantee

The company has charitable status and it is a company limited by guarantee not exceeding £1 per member (2021: 6 members).

	<b>2021 £000</b>	2020 £000
<b>10 Unrestricted funds</b>		
Balance at 1 August	3,275	2,868
Income from charitable activities	-	12
Expenditure on charitable activities	(356)	(3,698)
Sale of surplus land and property	<u>5,424</u>	<u>4,093</u>
At 31 July	<u>8,343</u>	<u>3,275</u>

	<b>2021 £000</b>	2020 £000
<b>11 Restricted funds</b>		
Balance at 1 August	-	595
Income from charitable activities	-	-
Expenditure on charitable activities	-	(595)
At 31 July	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

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	2021 £000	2020 £000
<b>12 Capital funds – revaluation reserve</b>		
At 1 August	4,158	5,659
Revaluation gain/(loss) of tangible fixed assets	51	(250)
Disposals	<u>(1,165)</u>	<u>(1,251)</u>
<b>At 31 July</b>	<b><u>3,044</u></b>	<b><u>4,158</u></b>

	2021 £000	2020 £000
<b>13 Reconciliation of deficit to net cash inflow from operating activities</b>		
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before other recognised gains and losses	3,903	(1,439)
Investment income	-	(12)
Depreciation	-	-
Gain on sale of fixed assets	(4,259)	(2,842)
Decrease in debtors	-	-
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	<u>24</u>	<u>(18)</u>
<b>(Outflow) from operating activities</b>	<b><u>(332)</u></b>	<b><u>(4,311)</u></b>

#### 14 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds £000	Capital funds revaluation reserve £000	Total 2021 £000	Total 2020 £000
Tangible fixed assets	-	3,044	3,044	4,158
Current assets	8,405	-	8,405	3,313
Liabilities	<u>(62)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(62)</u>	<u>(38)</u>
<b>Total net assets</b>	<b><u>8,343</u></b>	<b><u>3,044</u></b>	<b><u>11,387</u></b>	<b><u>7,433</u></b>

#### 15 Financial instruments

The company's financial instruments principally comprise cash and cash equivalents at 31 July 2021 and 31 July 2020. The company's financial instruments are measured at amortised cost.

#### 16 Related party transactions

The company made payment to the University of Aberdeen in respect of the disposal of asset costs as disclosed in note 5.

#### 17 Ultimate controlling party

The Rowett Research Institute is a 100% owned subsidiary of the University of Aberdeen, Kings College, Aberdeen, Scotland AB24 3FX. As a result the University has complete control over the activities of the Company. The University's Scottish Charity Number is SC013683 and its principal activities are the provision of education and research. Copies of the University's consolidated financial statements can be obtained from the above address.