

# Form AR21

Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992

## Annual Return for a Trade Union

Name of Trade Union:	North of England Zoological Society Staff Association		
Year ended:	31 December 2020		
List no:	791T		
Head or Main Office address:	Chester Zoo		
	Upton-by-Chester		
	Chester		
Postcode	CH2 1LH		
Website address (if available)			
Has the address changed during the year to which the return relates?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ('X' in appropriate box)
General Secretary:	Geraint Bowyer Roberts		
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**Please follow the guidance notes in the completion of this return**

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# Return of Members

(see notes 10 and 11)

	Number of members at the end of the year				
	Great Britain	Northern Ireland	Irish Republic	Elsewhere Abroad (including Channel Islands)	Totals
Male	265				265
Female	316				316
Other					
<b>Total</b>	<b>581</b>				A <b>581</b>

Number of members at end of year contributing to the General Fund

Number of members included in totals box 'A' above for whom no home or authorised address is held:

## Change of Officers

Please complete the following to record any changes of officers during the twelve months covered by this return

Position Held	Name of Officer ceasing to hold Office	Name of Officer Appointed	Date of change

State whether the union is:

a. A branch of another trade union?

 Yes

 No

If yes, state the name of that other union:

b. A federation of trade unions?

 Yes

 No

If yes, state the number of affiliated unions:

and names:

# Officers in post

(see note 12)

Please complete list of all officers in post at the end of the year to which this return relates.

Name of Officer	Position held
<i>See attached</i>	

# CHESTER ZOO STAFF ASSOCIATION

<b>CHAIR</b>	<b>Geraint Roberts</b>
<b>Vice</b>	<b>Celia Long Jone</b>
	<b>Chris Yarwood</b>
	<b>Gareth Evans</b>
	<b>Hannah Thomas</b>
	<b>Jo Adderley</b>
	<b>Karen Ilston</b>
	<b>Sue Andreson</b>
	<b>Andy Adderton</b>
	<b>Michael Lowe</b>



## Analysis of income from federation and other bodies and other income

(see notes 19 and 20)

Description	£
<b>Federation and other bodies</b>	
<b>Total federation and other bodies</b>	
<b>Any Other Sources</b>	
North of England Zoological Society	7,800
<b>Total other sources</b>	<b>7,800</b>
<b>Total of all other income</b>	<b>7,800</b>

# Analysis of benefit expenditure shown at the General Fund

(see notes 21 to 23)

			£
Representation – Employment Related Issues		<b>brought forward</b>	
		Advisory Services	
Representation – Non Employment Related Issues		Other Cash Payments	
		Education and Training services	
Communications			
		Negotiated Discount Services	
Dispute Benefits		Other Benefits and Grants (specify)	
		Social fund	1,000
<b>carried forward</b>		<b>Total (should agree with figure in General Fund)</b>	<b>1,000</b>



(See notes 21 and 23)

<b>Fund 2</b>		<b>Fund Account</b>	
<b>Name:</b>		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Income</b>	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	<b>Total other income as specified</b>		
	<b>Total Income</b>		
	Interfund Transfers IN		
<b>Expenditure</b>	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)		
	<b>Total Expenditure</b>		
	Interfund Transfers OUT		
	<b>Surplus (Deficit) for the year</b>		
	<b>Amount of fund at beginning of year</b>		
	<b>Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)</b>		
	<b>Number of members contributing at end of year</b>		

<b>Fund 3</b>		<b>Fund Account</b>	
<b>Name:</b>		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Income</b>	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	<b>Total other income as specified</b>		
	<b>Total Income</b>		
	Interfund Transfers IN		
<b>Expenditure</b>	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)		
	<b>Total Expenditure</b>		
	Interfund Transfers OUT		
	<b>Surplus (Deficit) for the year</b>		
	<b>Amount of fund at beginning of year</b>		
	<b>Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)</b>		
	<b>Number of members contributing at end of year</b>		



(See notes 21 and 23)

Fund 6		Fund Account	
Name:		£	£
<b>Income</b>	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	<b>Total other income as specified</b>		
	<b>Total Income</b>		
	Interfund Transfers IN		
<b>Expenditure</b>	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)		
	<b>Total Expenditure</b>		
	Interfund Transfers OUT		
	<b>Surplus (Deficit) for the year</b>		
	<b>Amount of fund at beginning of year</b>		
	<b>Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)</b>		
	<b>Number of members contributing at end of year</b>		

Fund 7		Fund Account	
Name:		£	£
<b>Income</b>	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	<b>Total other income as specified</b>		
	<b>Total Income</b>		
	Interfund Transfers IN		
<b>Expenditure</b>	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)		
	<b>Total Expenditure</b>		
	Interfund Transfers OUT		
	<b>Surplus (Deficit) for the year</b>		
	<b>Amount of fund at beginning of year</b>		
	<b>Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)</b>		
	<b>Number of members contributing at end of year</b>		

(See notes 21 and 23)

Fund 8		Fund Account	
Name:		£	£
<b>Income</b>	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	<b>Total other income as specified</b>		
	<b>Total Income</b>		
	Interfund Transfers IN		
<b>Expenditure</b>	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)		
	<b>Total Expenditure</b>		
	Interfund Transfers OUT		
	<b>Surplus (Deficit) for the year</b>		
	<b>Amount of fund at beginning of year</b>		
	<b>Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)</b>		
	<b>Number of members contributing at end of year</b>		

Fund 9		Fund Account	
Name:		£	£
<b>Income</b>	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	<b>Total other income as specified</b>		
	<b>Total Income</b>		
	Interfund Transfers IN		
<b>Expenditure</b>	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)		
	<b>Total Expenditure</b>		
	Interfund Transfers OUT		
	<b>Surplus (Deficit) for the year</b>		
	<b>Amount of fund at beginning of year</b>		
	<b>Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)</b>		
	<b>Number of members contributing at end of year</b>		

## Political fund account

(see notes 24 to 33)

£

£

<b>Political fund account 1</b>		<b>To be completed by trade unions which maintain their own political fund</b>	
	<b>Income</b>		
	Members contributions and levies		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
Other income (specify)			
		Total other income as specified	
		Total income	

**Expenditure under section (82) of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 on purposes set out in section (72) (1) where consolidation of expenditures from the political funds exceeds £2,000 during the period**

Expenditure A (as at page i)	
Expenditure B (as at page ii)	
Expenditure C (as at page iii)	
Expenditure D (as at page iv)	
Expenditure E (as at page v)	
Expenditure F (as at page vi)	
Non-political expenditure (as at page vii)	
	Total expenditure
	Surplus (deficit) for year
	Amount of political fund at beginning of year
	Amount of political fund at the end of year (as <u>Balance Sheet</u> )
	Number of members at end of year contributing to the political fund
	Number of members at end of the year not contributing to the political fund
	Number of members at end of year who have completed an exemption notice and do not contribute to the political fund

**Political fund account 2 To be completed by trade unions which act as components of a central trade union**

<b>Income</b>	Contributions and levies collected from members on behalf of central political fund		
	Funds received back from central political fund		
	Other income (specify)		
		Total other income as specified	
		Total income	
<b>Expenditure</b>	Expenditure under section 82 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 (specify)		
	Administration expenses in connection with political objects(specify)		
	Non-political expenditure		
		Total expenditure	
		Surplus (deficit) for year	
	Amount held on behalf of trade union political fund at beginning of year		
	Amount remitted to central political		
	Amount held on behalf of central political fund at end of year		
	Number of members at end of year contributing to the political fund		
	Number of members at end of the year not contributing to the political fund		
	Number of members at end of year who have completed an exemption notice and do not therefore contribute to the political fund		















**Expenditure from the political fund not falling within section 72 (1) of the trade union & labour relations (consolidation) act 1992**

**For expenditure not falling within section 72 (1) the required information is-**

(a) the nature of each cause or campaign for which money was expended, and the total amount expended in relation to each one	£

Total expenditure

(b) the name of each organisation to which money was paid (otherwise than for a particular cause of campaign), and the total amount paid to each one	£

Total expenditure

(c) the total amount of all other money expended	£

Total expenditure

**Total of all expenditures**

## Analysis of administrative expenses and other outgoings excluding amounts charged to political fund accounts

(see notes 34 and 35)

	£
<b>Administrative Expenses</b>	
Remuneration and expenses of staff	
Salaries and Wages included in above	[ ]
Auditors' fees	1,355
Legal and Professional fees	461
Occupancy costs	
Stationery, printing, postage, telephone, etc.	
Expenses of Executive Committee (Head Office)	
Expenses of conferences	
Other administrative expenses (specify)	
Bank charges	4
<b>Other Outgoings</b>	
Outgoings on land and buildings (specify)	
Other outgoings (specify)	
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<b>Total</b>	1,820
Charged to: General Fund (Page 3)	1,820
<b>Total</b>	1,820



# Analysis of investment income

(see notes 47 and 48)

	Political Fund £		Other Fund(s) £
Rent from land and buildings			
Dividends (gross) from:			
Equities (e.g. shares)			
Interest (gross) from:			
Government securities (Gilts)			
Mortgages			
Local Authority Bonds			
Bank and Building Societies			16
Other investment income (specify)			
			16
		Total investment income	16
		Credited to:	
		General Fund (Page 3)	16
		Political Fund	
		Total Investment Funds	16





# Fixed assets account

(see notes 53 to 57)

	Land and Buildings		Furniture and Equipment £	Motor Vehicles £	Not used for union business £	Total £
	Freehold	Leasehold				
	£	£				
<b>Cost or Valuation</b>						
At start of year						
Additions						
Disposals						
Revaluation/Transfers						
At end of year						
<b>Accumulated Depreciation</b>						
At start of year						
Charges for year						
Disposals						
Revaluation/Transfers						
At end of year						
Net book value at end of year						
Net book value at end of previous year						

# Analysis of investments

(see notes 58 and 59)

Quoted	All Funds Except Political Funds £	Political Fund £
Equities (e.g. Shares)		
Government Securities (Gilts)		
Other quoted securities (to be specified)		
Total quoted (as Balance Sheet) Market Value of Quoted Investment		
Unquoted		
Equities		
Government Securities (Gilts)		
Mortgages		
Bank and Building Societies		
Other unquoted investments (to be specified)		
Total unquoted (as Balance Sheet) Market Value of Unquoted Investments		



# Summary sheet

(see notes 62 to 73)

	All funds except Political Funds	Political Funds £	Total Funds £
<b>Income</b>			
From Members			
From Investments	16		16
Other Income (including increases by revaluation of assets)	7,800		7,800
<b>Total Income</b>	7,816		7,816
<b>Expenditure</b> (including decreases by revaluation of assets)			
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	2,820		2,820
<b>Funds at beginning of year</b> (including reserves)	17,736		17,736
<b>Funds at end of year</b> (including reserves)	22,732		22,732
<b>Assets</b>			
Fixed Assets			
Investment Assets			
Other Assets			24,055
<b>Total Assets</b>			24,055
<b>Liabilities</b>			
<b>Total Liabilities</b>			1,323
<b>Net Assets (Total Assets less Total Liabilities)</b>			22,732

(see notes 74 to 80)

Did the union hold any ballots in respect of industrial action during the return period?		<input type="text" value="No"/>
If Yes How many ballots were held: <input type="text"/>		
For each ballot held please complete the information below:		
<b>Ballot 1</b>		
Number of individual who were entitled to vote in the ballot	<input type="text"/>	
Number of votes cast in the ballot	<input type="text"/>	
Number of Individuals answering "Yes" to the question	<input type="text"/>	1
Number of individuals answering "No" to the question	<input type="text"/>	2
Number of invalid or otherwise spoiled voting papers returned	<input type="text"/>	3
		<b>1-3 should total "Number of votes cast"</b>
Were the number of votes cast in the ballot at least 50% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot	<input type="text"/>	
Does section 226(2B) of the 1992 Act apply in relation to this ballot (see notes 76-80)?	<input type="text"/>	
If yes, were the number of individuals answering "Yes" to the question (or each question) at least 40% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot	<input type="text"/>	
<b>Ballot 2</b>		
Number of individual who were entitled to vote in the ballot	<input type="text"/>	
Number of votes cast in the ballot	<input type="text"/>	
Number of Individuals answering "Yes" to the question	<input type="text"/>	1
Number of individuals answering "No" to the question	<input type="text"/>	2
Number of invalid or otherwise spoiled voting papers returned	<input type="text"/>	3
		<b>1-3 should total "Number of votes cast"</b>
Were the number of votes cast in the ballot at least 50% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot	<input type="text"/>	
Does section 226(2B) of the 1992 Act apply in relation to this ballot (see notes 76-80)?	<input type="text"/>	
If yes, were the number of individuals answering "Yes" to the question (or each question) at least 40% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot	<input type="text"/>	
<b>Ballot 3</b>		
Number of individual who were entitled to vote in the ballot	<input type="text"/>	
Number of votes cast in the ballot	<input type="text"/>	
Number of Individuals answering "Yes" to the question	<input type="text"/>	1
Number of individuals answering "No" to the question	<input type="text"/>	2
Number of invalid or otherwise spoiled voting papers returned	<input type="text"/>	3
		<b>1-3 should total "Number of votes cast"</b>
Were the number of votes cast in the ballot at least 50% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot	<input type="text"/>	
Does section 226(2B) of the 1992 Act apply in relation to this ballot (see notes 76-80)?	<input type="text"/>	
If yes, were the number of individuals answering "Yes" to the question (or each question) at least 40% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot	<input type="text"/>	

**Ballot 4**

Number of individual who were entitled to vote in the ballot

**Number of votes cast in the ballot**

Number of Individuals answering "Yes" to the question  1

Number of individuals answering "No" to the question  2

Number of invalid or otherwise spoiled voting papers returned  3

**1-3 should total "Number of votes cast"**

Were the number of votes cast in the ballot at least 50% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot

Does section 226(2B) of the 1992 Act apply in relation to this ballot (see notes 76-80)?

If yes, were the number of individuals answering "Yes" to the question (or each question) at least 40% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot

**Ballot 5**

Number of individual who were entitled to vote in the ballot

**Number of votes cast in the ballot**

Number of Individuals answering "Yes" to the question  1

Number of individuals answering "No" to the question  2

Number of invalid or otherwise spoiled voting papers returned  3

**1-3 should total "Number of votes cast"**

Were the number of votes cast in the ballot at least 50% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot

Does section 226(2B) of the 1992 Act apply in relation to this ballot (see notes 76-80)?

If yes, were the number of individuals answering "Yes" to the question (or each question) at least 40% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot

**Ballot 6**

Number of individual who were entitled to vote in the ballot

**Number of votes cast in the ballot**

Number of Individuals answering "Yes" to the question  1

Number of individuals answering "No" to the question  2

Number of invalid or otherwise spoiled voting papers returned  3

**1-3 should total "Number of votes cast"**

Were the number of votes cast in the ballot at least 50% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot

Does section 226(2B) of the 1992 Act apply in relation to this ballot (see notes 76-80)?

If yes, were the number of individuals answering "Yes" to the question (or each question) at least 40% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot

**Ballots and Industrial Action:** If you have 6 or more entries for either of these, please complete the Excel Spreadsheet

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(see note 81)

**\*Categories of Nature of Trade Dispute**

- A: terms and conditions of employment, or the physical conditions in which any workers require to work;
- B: engagement or non-engagement, or termination or suspension of employment or the duties of employment, of one or more workers;
- C: allocation of work or the duties of employment between workers or groups of workers;
- D: matters of discipline;
- E: a worker's membership or non-membership of a trade union;
- F: facilities for officials of trade unions;
  
- G: machinery for negotiation or consultation, and other procedures, relating to any of the above matters, including the recognition by employers or employers' associations of the right of a trade union to represent workers in such negotiation or consultation or in the carrying out of such procedures

**Did Union members take industrial action during the return period in response to any inducement on the part of the Union? YES/NO**

**No**

If **YES**, for each industrial action taken please complete the information below:

**Industrial Action 1**

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories\* below:

A  B  C  D  E  F  G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken:  to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

**Industrial Action 2**

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories\* below:

A  B  C  D  E  F  G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken:  to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

**Industrial Action 3**

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories\* below:

A  B  C  D  E  F  G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken:  to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

**use a continuation page if necessary**

**Industrial Action 4**

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories\* below:

A  B  C  D  E  F  G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken:  to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

**Industrial Action 5**

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories\* below:

A  B  C  D  E  F  G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken:  to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

**Industrial Action 6**

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories\* below:

A  B  C  D  E  F  G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken:  to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

**Industrial Action 7**

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories\* below:

A  B  C  D  E  F  G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken:  to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

**Industrial Action 8**

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories\* below:

A  B  C  D  E  F  G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken:  to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

**Ballots & Industrial Action- If you have 6 or more entries for either of these, please complete the Excel Spreadsheet**



**Notes to the accounts**

(see notes 82 and 83)

All notes to the accounts must be entered on or attached to this part of the return.

A large, empty rectangular box with a black border, intended for entering notes to the accounts. The box is currently blank and occupies most of the page's width and height.

## Accounting policies

(see notes 84 and 85)

## Signatures to the annual return

(see notes 86 & 87)

**Including the accounts and balance sheet contained in the return. Please send the return with the original signatures. Copies will not be accepted.**

Secretary's Signature:	<i>Grant B. Roberts</i>	Chairman's Signature:	<i>Celia Long</i>
			(or other official whose position should be stated)
Name:	<i>GRANT ROBERTS</i>	Name:	<i>CELIA LONG</i>
Date:	<i>26 May 21</i>	Date:	<i>26th May '21</i>

## Checklist

(see notes 88 to 89)

(please tick as appropriate)

Has the return of change of officers been completed? (see Page 2 and Note 12)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	
Has the list of officers in post been completed? (see Page 2 and Note 12)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	
Has the return been signed? (see Pages 23 and 25 and Notes 86 and 95)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	
Has the auditor's report been completed? (see Pages 20 and 21 and Notes 2 and 77)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	
Is a rule book enclosed? (see Notes 8 and 88)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	
A member statement is: (see Note 80)	Enclosed		To follow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Has the summary sheet been completed? (see Page 17 and Notes 7 and 62)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	To follow	
Has the membership audit certificate been completed? (see Page i to iii and Notes 97 and 103)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	

# Checklist for auditor's report

(see notes 90 and 96)

The checklist below is for guidance. A report is still required either set out overleaf or by way of an attached auditor's report that covers the 1992 Act requirements.

1. In the opinion of the auditors or auditor do the accounts they have audited and which are contained in this return give a true and fair view of the matters to which they related? (See section 36(1) and (2) of the 1992 Act and notes 92 and 93)

Please explain in your report overleaf or attached.

Yes, see attached Auditors' Report.

2. Are the auditors or auditor of the opinion that the union has complied with section 28 of the 1992 Act and has:

- a. kept proper accounting records with respect to its transactions and its assets and liabilities; and
- b. established and maintained a satisfactory system of control of its accounting records, its cash holding and all its receipts and remittances. (See section 36(4) of the 1992 Act set out in note 92)

Please explain in your report overleaf or attached

Yes, see attached Auditors' Report.

3. Your auditors or auditor must include in their report the following wording:

**In our opinion the financial statements:**

- give a true and fair view of the matters to which they relate to.
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the sections 28, 32 and 36 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (consolidation) Act 1992.

## **North of England Zoological Society Staff Association**

### **Independent auditors' report to the members of North of England Zoological Society Staff Association**

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the accounts of North of England Zoological Society Staff Association for the year ended 31 December 2020 which comprise the income and expenditure account and the balance sheet. These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the accruals concept.

In our opinion the accounts:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Association's affairs as at 31 December 2020 and of its surplus for the year then ended; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of sections 28, 32 and 36 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.

#### **Basis for 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 Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the Association in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the accounts 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 officers' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the accounts is not appropriate; or
- the officers have not disclosed in the accounts any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the Association'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 accounts are authorised for issue.

#### **Other information**

The officers are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information other than the accounts and our Report of the Auditors thereon.

Our opinion on the accounts 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 accounts, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the accounts 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 accounts 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.

**North of England Zoological Society Staff Association**

**Independent auditors' report to the members of  
North of England Zoological Society Staff Association  
(continued)**

**Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992**

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the Association has not kept proper accounting records in accordance with the requirements of section 28; or
- the Association has not maintained a satisfactory system of control over its transactions in accordance with the requirements of section 28; or
- the accounts to which the report relates do not agree with the accounting records.

**Responsibilities of officers**

The officers of the Association are responsible for the preparation of the accounts and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the officers determine necessary to enable the preparation of accounts that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the officers are responsible for assessing the Association'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 officers either intend to liquidate the Association or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

**Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the accounts**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the accounts as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue a Report of the Auditors 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 accounts.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the accounts is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at [www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities). This description forms part of our Report of the Auditors.

**Use of our report**

This report is made solely to the Association's members, as a body, in accordance with the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Association's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' 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 Association and the Association's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



Robert Ellis FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)

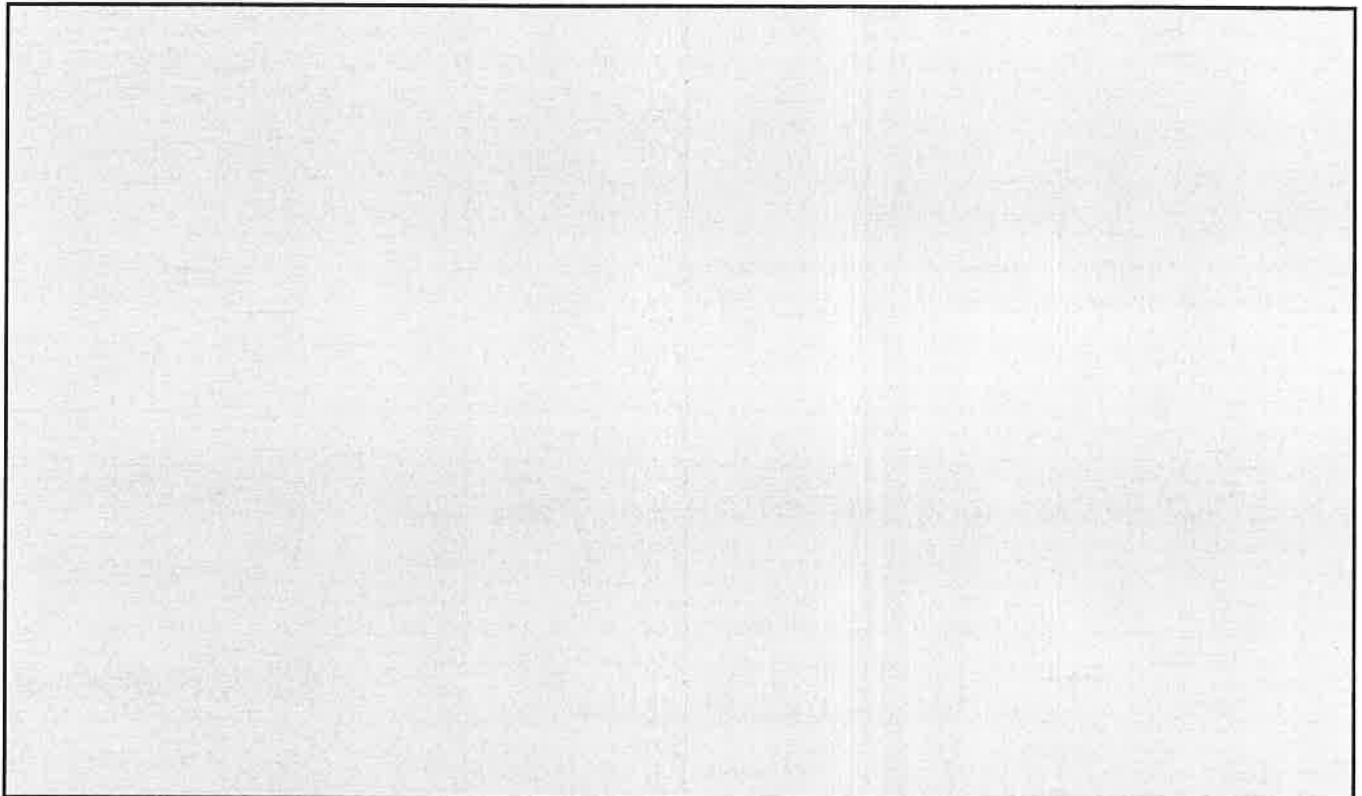
For and on behalf of

Ellis & Co (Accountants & Business Advisers) Limited  
Chartered Accountants and  
Statutory Auditors

Date: 26.5.21.

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Auditor's report (continued)



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26.5.21.

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Robert Ellis.

N.B. When notes to the account are referred to in the auditor's report a copy of those notes must accompany this return.

## Membership audit certificate

made in accordance with section 24ZD of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992

(See notes 97 to 103)

At the end of the reporting period preceding the one to which this audit relates was the total membership of the trade union greater than 10,000?

Yes  No

If "YES" please complete SECTION ONE below or provide the equivalent information on a separate document to be submitted with the completed AR21

If "NO" please complete SECTION TWO below or provide the equivalent information on a separate document to be submitted with the completed AR21

## Membership audit certificate

### Section one

*For a trade union with more than 10,000 members, required by section 24ZB of the 1992 Act to appoint an independent assurer*

- 1 In the opinion of the assurer appointed by the trade union was the union's system for compiling and maintaining its register of the names and addresses of its members satisfactory to secure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that the entries in its register were accurate and up-to-date throughout the reporting period?

Yes / No

- 2 In the opinion of the assurer has he/she obtained the information and explanations necessary for the performance of his/her functions?

Yes / No

If the answer to **either** questions 1 or 2 above is "NO" the assurer must:

- (a) set out below the assurer's reasons for stating that
- (b) provide a description of the information or explanation requested or required which has not been obtained
- (c) state whether the assurer required that information or those explanations from the union's officers, or officers of any of its branches or sections under section 24ZE of the 1992 Act
- (d) send a copy of this certificate to the Certification Officer as soon as is reasonably practicable after it is provided to the union.

**Membership audit certificate (continued)**

Signature of assurer	
Name	
Address	
Date	
Contact name and telephone number	



## Membership audit certificate

### Section two

For a trade union with no more than 10,000 members at the end of the reporting period preceding the one to which this audit relates.

To the best of your knowledge and belief has the trade union during this reporting period complied with its duty to compile and maintain a register of the names and addresses of its members and secured, so far as is reasonably practicable, that the entries in the register are accurate and up-to-date?

Yes  No

If "No" Please explain below:

Signature

Robert Ellis.

Name

Charles Robert Ellis.

Office held

STATUTORY AUDITOR

Date

26.5.21.