# **Annual Report and Financial Statements**

# For the year ended 31st December 2021

This is identical to the document submitted to Companies House except that it does not contain any signatures of the Railfuture directors and company accountant.

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Secretary	T A Davies
Company number	05011634
Registered office	Edinburgh House 1-5 Bellevue Road Clevedon North Somerset BS21 7NP
Independent Examiner	Newsham Hanson Edinburgh House 1-5 Bellevue Road Clevedon North Somerset BS21 7NP

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The Directors present their report and financial statements for the period ended 31 December 2021

#### Review of activities

The principal activity of the Company continued to be that of a campaigning organisation for the protection and development of rail transport in Great Britain.

With fewer COVID-19 restrictions, the Board was able to meet face-to-face twice in 2021 as well as three formal virtual Board meetings, relating to the running of the company, and several shorter meetings to decide strategy and policy. There were substantial cost savings at national level (Board and national groups) plus branches from not hiring meeting rooms or contributing towards long-distance travel expenses. Some branches have adopted virtual meetings very successfully, whilst others have been less keen. Attendance has often been greater at virtual meetings as people have not had to give up time to travel, but Railfuture is conscious that not everyone has good-quality broadband, nor is comfortable attending a virtual meeting. On the negative side COVID-19 prevented Railfuture from meeting the public in order to get new members

Real meetings across Railfuture resumed in summer 2021 so costs in the second half of the year reflect this, and will obviously be higher in 2022. In future Railfuture intends to hold both physical and virtual meetings as both a cost-effective and convenient way of campaigning for our aims.

The costs for printing and distributing Railwatch increased. To compensate, it is no longer posted to free-list recipients outside the UK, but is emailed instead to those organisations that have asked to continue receiving it. The cover in the two insurance policies was reassessed and consolidated into a single 'a la carte' policy with a new broker, resulting in a substantial cost saving.

Railwatch and branch newsletters can now be received via email, which is starting to show a cost saving. It is hoped that more people will choose the email option, which can easily be selected using Self-Care on the website

#### Results for the Year

The Directors report a profit after tax on the Profit and Loss Account of £29,564 leading to an increase in net assets of the same amount. This compared to a profit of £3,910 in 2020.

Income from Subscriptions donations and Campaigning increased from £38,829 to £63,921,entirely due to a legacy receipt of £25,670. Campaigning expenditure has slightly reduced from £31,507 to £28,826 mainly due to strong downward pressure on costs being maintained. Sales of own goods reduced substantially.

Operating and administration expenses have increased from £11,223 to £13,438 mainly due to administration costs returning to more normal levels and AGM during this year. We paid £1,980 for specialist expertise to upgrade our min website (the first for seven years) to use the latest software and render properly on smartphones and tablets.

The operating profit for the period was £21,656 compared with a loss of £3,901 in 2020. Without the legacy receipt the operating loss would have been £4,014

Due to the continuing low interest rates on offer returns from money held on deposit have continued to be poor. The Company continues to take advantage of higher fixed term interest rates with £155,032 in fixed term deposits ranging from 12 to 24 months. Interest rates are expected to increase in 2022,but will not keep pace with inflation, which is at its highest rate for 30 years

The Directors aim to use members' money wisely. Management Information is used to understand where costs are being spent, and effort is made to find ways to control costs. The 'join' page on the website now shows a pie chart of key areas of expenditure.

All Directors are required, as a condition of holding office, to disclose a fully itemised list of their expenses while they are directors. These can be viewed (from May 2022), along with a personal statement, at www.railfuture.org.uk/expenses.

### RAILFUTURE LIMITED No 05011634 DIRECTORS' REPORT

For the year ended 31st December 2021

#### Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the surplus or deficit of the Company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis, unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in business.

The Directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which 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. 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.

The Directors are satisfied that appropriate controls and checks are in place to achieve these objectives.

#### Directors' interest

The Company is limited by guarantee. No shares have been issued.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

#### Independent Examiner

The Members have resolved that the financial statements be subject to scrutiny by an Independent Examiner and their report is included on page 4.

On behalf of the Board.

Trevor Davies Company Secretary

Dated: 5<sup>th</sup> March 2022

Independent Examiner's Report to the Members on the Unaudited Accounts of Railfuture Limited

We report on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2021 set out on pages 5 to 12.

As described on page 3, the Company's Directors are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, and they consider that the Company is exempt from an audit. It is our responsibility to carry out procedures to enable us to report our opinion.

Our procedures consisted of comparing the accounts with the accounting records kept by the Company, and making such limited enquiries of the Officers of the Company as we considered necessary for the purposes of this report. These procedures provide only the assurance expressed in our opinion.

In our opinion:

- (a) the accounts are in agreement with the accounting records kept by the Company under section 386 of the Companies Act 2006;
  (b) having regard only to, and on the basis of, the information contained in those
- b) having regard only to, and on the basis of, the information contained in those accounting records:
  - (i) the accounts have been drawn up in a manner consistent with the accounting requirements specified in section 396 of the Act; and
     (ii) the Company satisfied the conditions for exemption from an audit of the accounts for the period specified in section 477(2) of the Act.

and did not, at any time within that year, fall within any of the categories of companies not entitled to exemption specified in section 478.

Newsham Hanson Edinburgh House 1-5 Bellevue Road Clevedon North Somerset BS21 7NP

Independent Examiner

8th March 2022

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### RAILFUTURE LIMITED No 05011634 BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	202	1	202	0
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible fixed assets	6		342		675
Investments	7		8,928		8,975
Current assets					
Stocks		1,223		1,265	
Debtors	8	1,847		2,481	
Cash at bank and in hand		288,861		256,484	
		291,931		260,306	
Creditors : Due within one year					
Creditors	9 _	(7,385)		(6,655)	
Net current assets			284,546		253,576
Total assets less current liabiliti	es		293,816	-	263,226
Creditors : Due after more than					
one year	10		(1,631)		(604
Net assets			292,185	=	262,621
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
General fund	11		164,158		156,985
Fighting fund	12		128,027		105,636
Total reserves			292,185	-	262,621

In preparing these financial statements:

For the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021 the Company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

the Members have not required the Company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006,

the Directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts,

these accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small Companies regime

These financial statements, which include the notes on pages 7-10, were approved by the Board on  $5^{th}$  March 2022

C Page Director J C Alderson Director

## RAILFUTURE LIMITED No 05011634 PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT For the year ended 31st December 2021

	Notes	2021 £	2020 £
Income from subscriptions, donations and campaigning	ng	63,921	38,829
Campaigning expenditure		(28,826)	(31,507)
Gross profit		35,095	7,322
Operating and administrative expenses		(13,438)	(11,223)
Operating profit/ (loss)		21,656	(3,901)
Other operating income Other interest receivable and similar income Surplus/(Deficit) on revaluation of Investments	3 4 7	2,504 6,755 (47)	4,436 5,451 (975)
Profit/ (Loss) before tax		30,867	5,009
Taxation	5	(1,302)	(1,099)
Profit/ (Loss) after taxation being profit/ (loss) for the financial year	11	29,564	3,910

There may be small differences in additions due to roundings

#### 1 Accounting policies

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention in accordance with the accounting policies set out below. These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102, section 1A Financial Reporting Standard for Small Entities and the Companies Act 2006.

#### 1.2 Cash flow statement and statement of other comprehensive income

The accounts do not include a cash flow statement or a statement of recognised gains and losses because the Company, as a small reporting entity, is exempt from the requirement to prepare such a statement under FRS 102, section 1A Financial Reporting Standard for Small Entities.

#### 1.3 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 less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life on a straight line basis at 20% per annum.

The carrying amount of fixed assets is reviewed annually to determine whether any impairment loss has been incurred and what adjustment is required.

#### 1.4 Investments

Listed investments are stated at market value. Unlisted investments are stated at market value, where a market exists, otherwise at cost less any provision for impairment.

#### 1.5 Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost or net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

#### 1.6 Donations and Subscriptions

Donations and annual subscriptions are credited to income and expenditure account in the year of receipt except in cases where subscriptions for more than one year are paid as a lump sum, where the payment for the second and any subsequent years is treated as deferred. Life subscriptions are credited to income and expenditure over the estimated lives of the members.

#### 1.7 Fighting Fund

The proceeds of legacies, certain fund raising events and appeals are allocated to the Fighting Fund unless the donor has specified otherwise. The Fund can only be expended in support of promoting the railway, campaigns for building new lines and stations, reopening closed lines and stations and preserving closed lines for future use and in support of campaigns against major reductions in services or railway closures, as agreed by the Board.

2	Operating profit/ (loss)	2021	2020
		£	£
	Operating profit is stated after charging:		
	Depreciation of tangible assets	331	341
3	Other operating income	2021	2020
		£	£
	Sale of goods	156	664
	Monthly lottery	2,348	3,272
	Sponsorship	0	500
		2,504	4,436

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31st December 2021

4	Interest receivable and similar incom	e	2021 £	2020
	Dublichere reveltion		£ 2,477	£
	Publishers royalties Bank interest		2,477	3,283 1,789
	Dividends		2,268	378
	Dividenda		6,755	5,451
;	Taxation		2021	2020
			£	£
	Provision for UK current year taxation		1,302	1,099 1,099
;	Tangible fixed assets			
				Total
				£
	Cost			
	At 31 December 2020			3,633
	Additions			-
	Disposals			-
	At 31 December 2021			3,633
	Depreciation			
	At 31 December 2020			2,960
	On disposals Charge for the year			- 331
	At 31 December 2021			3.291
	At 31 December 2021			3,291
	Net book value			
	At 31 December 2021			342
	At 31 December 2020			673
	Fixed asset investments			
		Listed investments £	Unlisted investments £	Total £
	Valuation	~	~	~
	At 31 December 2020	8,970	5	8,975
	Acquisitions		-	-
	Disposals		-	-
	Revaluation	(47)		(47)
	At 31 December 2021	8,923	5	8,928

Cost			
	£	£	£
At 31 December 2021	16,104	3,404	19,508
At 31 December 2020	16,104	3,404	19,508

The fair value is £8,923 (2020 £8970) and the change in value included in profit and loss is £(47) (2020 (975))

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Trade creditors

Taxation Deferred income Accruals

Deferred income

one year

10 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31st December 2021

	Listed shares at valuation 3900 Tesco ordinary shares	<b>2021</b> £ 8,923 8,923	<b>2020</b> £ 8,970 8,970
	Unlisted shares at cost less impairment 2 Railfuture Limited ordinary shares 2 Railwatch Limited ordinary shares 38 Wensleydale Railway Company ordinary shares £1500 CKP Railways Ioan stock CKP Railways Shares Ordinary Shares	<b>2021</b> £ 2 1 - 5 -	2020 £ 2 1 - 5
	The CKP Railways Loan Stock was converted into CKP Railways Ordinary Shares during 2018 The Directors consider that the value of these is £NIL		
8	Debtors	2021 £	2020 £
	Trade Debtors Accrued interest Prepayments	1,093 754 1,847	955 1,526 2,481
9	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2021 £	2020 £

1,602

1,302 1,302 3,383 1,098 7,385

> 2021 £

1,631 1,631 709

1,099 3,886 960 6,655

> 2020 £

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#### No 05011634 NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31st December 2021

11	General fund	2021 £	2020 £
	Opening general fund at 01 January 2021	<b>د</b> 156,985	<b>ء</b> 150,678
	Surplus / (deficit) for the financial year after taxation	29,564	3,910
	Transfers from / (to) fighting fund	(22,391)	2,397
	Closing general fund at 31 December 2021	164,158	156,985
12	Fighting fund	2021	2020
	Opening fighting fund at 01 January 2021	<b>£</b> 105,636	<b>£</b> 108,034
	Transfers from / (to) general fund Legacy received	25,670	
	Net Lottery Income	25,670	1.637
	Interest on Fund	1,056	1,215
	Grants paid	(5,300)	(5,250)
	Closing fighting fund at 31 December 2021	128,027	105,636

During 2021 grants of  $\pounds$ 5,300 (2020  $\pounds$ 5,250) were paid and grants to a total of  $\pounds$ 0 were accepted but not yet paid from the Fighting Fund. (2020  $\pounds$ nil was paid)

#### 13 Financial transactions between Directors and the Company

Directors receive no payments from the Company except for out of pocket expenses incurred whilst carrying out their duties as a Director.

#### 14 Directors' and Officers' Liability Insurance

Throughout 2021 the Company maintained an insurance policy indemnifying the Directors and Officers against loss attaching to legal liabilities arising in the course of their duties.

#### 15 Liability of Members

Under the provisions of the Company's Memorandum and Articles of Association, Members are liable to a contribution not exceeding  $\pounds 1$  each in the event of the winding up of the Company.

Members are as defined in paragraph 3-13 of the Company's Articles of Association.

#### 16 Employees

The average number of persons employed by the Company during the year was nil. (2020-nil)

## No 05011634 DETAILED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT For the year ended 31st December 2021

	20	2021		20
	£	£	£	£
Income from subscriptions, donations and ca	mpaigning			
Annual subscriptions		32,885		34,551
Donations - ordinary		5,100		3,791
Legacies		25,670		259
Conferences		61		-
Railwatch		204		228
	-	63,921	-	38,829
Less campaigning expenditure		,		,
Railwatch	18,039		17,963	
Branch campaigning	1,363		1,659	
Branch newsletters	3,943		5,256	
Grants paid	5,300		5,250	
Group expenses	119		951	
Conferences	63		428	
		(28,826)		(31,507)
Gross profit/ (loss)	-	35,095	-	7,322
Less Operating and administrative expenses				
Opening sales stock	1,265		1,347	
Purchases	 16		247	
	1,282		1,594	
Less closing stock	(1,223)		(1,265)	
Net cost of sales	58		329	
Monthly lottery	1,384		1,654	
Annual draw	0		-	
AGM	1,928		686	
Membership administration	1,995		2,282	
Website and IT (see note in Directors' Report)	2,388		381	
Corporate Governance	1,024		1,244	
General administration	1,286		1,638	
Promotion and marketing costs (excluding sales)	482		(97)	
Insurances	2,053		2,372	
Bank charges	508		393	
Sundries	000			
Cananoo	13,107		10,882	
Depreciation	331		341	
		(13,438)		(11,223)
Operating profit/ (loss) for the period	-	21,656	-	(3,901)

There may be small differences in additions due to roundings