
THE PET CHARITY
(A Company Limited by Guarantee)

UNAUDITED

TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2025

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE COMPANY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2025**

Trustees

Ms M M Moorcroft, Trustee
Mr D C Perry, Trustee
Mr C J Newman, Trustee
Mr P Carey, Trustee
Mr A N Burgess, Vice Chair
Mr D B Whitmee, Chair
Mr T Wiggly, Trustee (appointed 1 January 2025)

Company registered number

00666171

Charity registered number

1052488

Registered office

Bigods Bungalow
Bigods Lane
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Essex
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Accountants

Streets Chartered Accountants
Potton House
Wyboston Lakes
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Bedfordshire
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Bankers

Barclays Bank PLC
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TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2025

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the The Pet Charity for the 1 May 2024 to 30 April 2025. The Annual Report serves the purposes of both a Trustees' report and a directors' report under company law. The Trustees confirm that the Annual Report and financial statements of the charitable company comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the charitable company's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2019).

The Pet Charity is a register Charity (number 1052488) and a Company limited by guarantee (number 00666171).

Since the company qualifies as small under section 382 of the Companies Act 2006, the Strategic Report required of medium and large companies under the Companies Act 2006 (Strategic Report and Directors' Report) Regulations 2013 has been omitted.

Structure, governance and management

a. Constitution

The company is registered as a charitable company limited by guarantee and has a registered charity number 1052488.

The company's founding document takes the form of Memorandum and Articles of Association, by which it is also governed. Its investment powers are regulated by this deed accordingly. The Charity is authorised to:

- Purchase or acquire real or personal property as may be necessary to carry out its objectives
- Accept donations, grants, subscriptions, bequests, monies, securities or other real or personal property or assets.
- Award scholarships, bursaries, prizes or other grants.
- Borrow or raise money in such a manner and on such security as will further its objectives.
- Invest and deal with the Charity's monies in a manner which furthers its objectives.

b. Organisational structure and decision-making policies

The Board has further considered the need for a paid CEO and concluded that the post continues to be inappropriate at this point. The Board operates under the direction of a Chair and Vice Chair who assume responsibility for day-to-day operations in lieu of a CEO. Individual trustees take lead responsibility for projects, providing regular updates to the board to aid collective decision making.

The charity engages a part time administrator who manages the day to day activity of the charity in conjunction with a trustee.

c. Policies adopted for the induction and training of Trustees

The director's Code of Conduct forms the backbone of trustee induction, together with involvement in strategic and budgetary planning sessions completed within the body of Board meetings.

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Structure, governance and management (continued)

d. Risk management

The annual budget is submitted to The Pet Charity Board for approval. Regular updates are provided by the treasurer, including flexing of the budget to model changes in the financial position of the charity throughout the year, and as a minimum before each meeting of the trustees.

The Trustee's contract introduced in 2014 is maintained as an appropriate tool to manage risk.

Objectives and activities

a. Policies and objectives

The main objects of the charity are to advance the education of the general public in the protection, preservation, health and welfare of domestic companion animals ("pets"). Responsible Pet Ownership (RPO) is indicated in the legislation made law in 2006 via the Animal Welfare Act 2006. The Pet Charity seeks to ensure that those undertaking pet ownership have access to clear and objective independent advice and guidance to ensure success for both the pet and owner.

Further the Charity seeks to utilise research into the benefit of the human-pet bond for both the owner and animal to promote the public benefit of responsible pet or companion animal keeping. In doing so the Charity co-operates with other organisations to highlight research in this field, ultimately for the benefit of public health.

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Trust's aims and objectives and in planning future activities and setting policy for the year.

b. Strategies for achieving objectives

The Board re-committed the charity to dedicating its activity to the education of the wider public in the correct selection and ongoing care of their pet animals, but from the standpoint that pets are a positive impact on general public health.

The rental income from the charities building forms an ongoing income stream which enables the charity to fund current projects. Emphasis is placed on maximising occupancy for this building.

The charity will also continue to apply for grants to fund ongoing projects.

The Charity has made some progress in raising its profile within the legislative environment and will continue to develop this.

c. Activities undertaken to achieve objectives

The activities of the year all fall under the overarching controls extended by the Charities Commission aims and objectives.

Sales of the educational leaflets continue and contribute to the running costs of the Charity.

The National Centre for Reptile Welfare project has been separated from The Pet Charity and now operates as a fully separate and independent charity in its own rights. The Pet Charity receives regular updates on the activities of the NCRW.

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Objectives and activities (continued)

d. Main activities undertaken to further the company's purposes for the public benefit

The Pet Charity has now taken on ongoing management of the "Pet Know How" project, a joint project with the British Small Animal Veterinary Association (BSAVA), British Veterinary Zoological Society (BVZS) and Companion Animal Sector Council (CASC) to deliver online pet care training for pet keepers.

Financial review

a. Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

b. Reserves policy

The Trustees confirmed the policy of maintaining minimum reserves equal to at least 12 months' running costs, to be reviewed annually, remains in place.

c. Principal risks and uncertainties

The cost of living crisis has been identified as a risk. The impact on businesses and individuals is likely to cause welfare concerns as it becomes more challenging for people to afford to keep their pets. This may put pressure on rescue and rehoming facilities such as NCRW, but also reduce income from donations.

EU exit continues to provide considerable uncertainty in the pet sector, as in all areas, and its impact remains unknown, but potentially damaging to animal welfare.

Emerging diseases and zoonotic risks increase the need for education of keepers.

d. Principal funding

The Charity sought to generate income from five distinct areas:

- Commercial sponsorship for individual campaigns
- Covenant from trade associations
- Donations from the public
- Grants from other organisations
- Sales of Pet Care Leaflets

Achievements and performance

a. Main achievements of the company

The rental of the Charities building in Bedford has provided funding for ongoing projects.

The "Pet Know How" project has been launched and will continue to be developed.

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Achievements and performance (continued)

b. Investment policy and performance

The major assets of The Pet Charity:

- Commercial building (170 Mile Rd, Bedford)
- Reserve funds held at Barclays Bank

The Trustees reviewed each of the major assets and implemented necessary controls to ensure return of fair market rates.

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

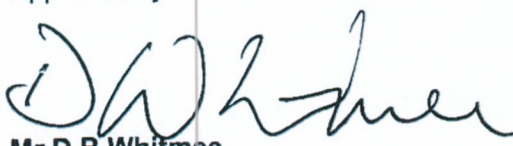
The Trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 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.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by:


Mr D B Whitmee
Chair

Date: 29/1/26

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2025

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The Pet Charity ('the company')

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the company for the year ended 30 April 2025.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the Trustees of the company (and its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the company's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

This report is made solely to the company's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the company's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

Signed:



Dated: 30/01/2026

Alan Endersby

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2025**

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Income from:				
Donations and legacies	3	329	329	550
Charitable activities	4	716	716	1,224
Investments	5	26,202	26,202	21,436
Total income		<u>27,247</u>	<u>27,247</u>	<u>23,210</u>
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities		27,083	27,083	125,958
Total expenditure		<u>27,083</u>	<u>27,083</u>	<u>125,958</u>
Net movement in funds		<u>164</u>	<u>164</u>	<u>(102,748)</u>
Reconciliation of funds:				
Total funds brought forward		131,361	131,361	234,109
Net movement in funds		164	164	(102,748)
Total funds carried forward		<u>131,525</u>	<u>131,525</u>	<u>131,361</u>

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 10 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 30 APRIL 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	8	106,875	107,788
		<u>106,875</u>	<u>107,788</u>
Current assets			
Stocks	9	2,949	3,301
Debtors	10	9,813	3,401
Cash at bank and in hand		19,026	24,991
		<u>31,788</u>	<u>31,693</u>
Current liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	(7,138)	(8,120)
		<u>24,650</u>	<u>23,573</u>
Net current assets			
		<u>131,525</u>	<u>131,361</u>
Total assets less current liabilities			
		<u>131,525</u>	<u>131,361</u>
Net assets excluding pension asset			
		<u>131,525</u>	<u>131,361</u>
Total net assets		<u><u>131,525</u></u>	<u><u>131,361</u></u>

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BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)
AS AT 30 APRIL 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Charity funds			
Restricted funds	12	-	-
Unrestricted funds	12	131,525	131,361
Total funds		<u>131,525</u>	<u>131,361</u>

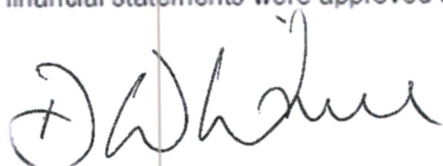
The company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of Companies Act 2006.

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of financial statements.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to entities subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Mr D B Whitmee

Chair

Date: 29/1/26

The notes on pages 10 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2025

1. General information

As set out in the trustees' report, The Pet Charity is a charitable incorporated organisation registered in England and Wales. The address of their registered office is Bigods Bungalow, Bidgods Lane, Great Dunmow, Essex. CM6 3BE.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

The charity's objects are stated in the trustees' report.

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - 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), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The Pet Charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

2.2 Income

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

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

2.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the company's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.4 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets costing £1,000 or more are capitalised and recognised when future economic benefits are probable and the cost or value of the asset can be measured reliably.

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring a tangible fixed asset into its intended working condition should be included in the measurement of cost.

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method.

Depreciation is provided on the following bases:

Long-term leasehold property	- On a straight line basis over 150 years
Office equipment	- 10%, 15% and 20% on a straight line basis
Computer equipment	- 33% and 20% on a straight line basis
Other fixed assets	- 33% straight line basis

2.5 Stocks

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

2.6 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

2.7 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.

2.8 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance Sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the company anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities as a finance cost.

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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.9 Financial instruments

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

2.10 Fund accounting

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

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

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3. Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2025	Unrestricted funds 2024
Donations	329	329
Total 2024	550	550

4. Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2025	Unrestricted funds 2024
Educational activities	716	716
Total 2024	1,224	1,224

5. Investment income

	Unrestricted funds 2025	Unrestricted funds 2024
Rental income	26,202	20,394
Investment income	-	1,042
Total 2024	21,436	21,436

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Total 2024

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6. Analysis of expenditure by activities (continued)

Analysis of support costs

	Activities 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	<i>Total funds 2024 £</i>
Depreciation	913	913	913
Printing, postage, stationery and advertising	73	73	118
Computer consumables	5,106	5,106	1,411
Light and heat	5,581	5,581	5,592
Repairs and renewals	3,863	3,863	2,420
Motor and travelling	-	-	116
Insurance	952	952	1,949
Bank charges and interest	134	134	134
Bad debts written off	-	-	88,208
Office costs	8,248	8,248	6,530
Donations	-	-	8,966
Legal, professional and accountancy	1,850	1,850	7,986
	<u>26,720</u>	<u>26,720</u>	<u>124,343</u>
<i>Total 2024</i>	<u>124,343</u>	<u>124,343</u>	

7. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits (2024 - £NIL).

During the year ended 30 April 2025, no Trustee expenses have been incurred (2024 - £NIL).

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8. Tangible fixed assets

	Long-term leasehold property £	Office equipment £	Computer equipment £	Other fixed assets £	Total £
Cost or valuation					
At 1 May 2024	137,005	75,503	25,204	7,164	244,876
At 30 April 2025	137,005	75,503	25,204	7,164	244,876
Depreciation					
At 1 May 2024	29,217	75,503	25,204	7,164	137,088
Charge for the year	913	-	-	-	913
At 30 April 2025	30,130	75,503	25,204	7,164	138,001
Net book value					
At 30 April 2025	106,875	-	-	-	106,875
At 30 April 2024	107,788	-	-	-	107,788

9. Stocks

Finished goods and goods for resale

2025 £	2024 £
2,949	3,301

10. Debtors

Due within one year

Prepayments and accrued income

2025 £	2024 £
9,813	3,401
9,813	3,401

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11. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

2025	2024
£	£
57	870
1,041	884
6,040	6,366
7,138	8,120

Trade creditors
Other taxation and social security
Accruals and deferred income

12. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

Balance at 1 May 2024	Income	Expenditure	Balance at 30 April 2025
£	£	£	£
124	-	(124)	-
23,449	27,247	(26,046)	24,650
107,788	-	(913)	106,875
131,361	27,247	(27,083)	131,525

Unrestricted funds

NCRW
Reserves
Tangible Fixed Assets

Statement of funds - prior year

Balance at 1 May 2023	Income	Expenditure	Balance at 30 April 2024
£	£	£	£
1,135	-	(1,011)	124
124,273	23,210	(124,034)	23,449
108,701	-	(913)	107,788
234,109	23,210	(125,958)	131,361

Unrestricted funds

NCRW
Reserves
Tangible Fixed Assets

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13. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current year

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £
Tangible fixed assets	106,875	106,875
Current assets	31,788	31,788
Creditors due within one year	(7,138)	(7,138)
Total	<u>131,525</u>	<u>131,525</u>

Analysis of net assets between funds - prior year

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2024 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2024 £</i>
Tangible fixed assets	107,788	107,788
Current assets	31,693	31,693
Creditors due within one year	(8,120)	(8,120)
Total	<u>131,361</u>	<u>131,361</u>