

NORTH WEST ENGLISH SPRINGER SPANIEL RESCUE N.W.E.S.S.R.

England & Wales · Charity number 1076924

Details

Other names	NORTH WEST ENGLISH SFRINGER SPANIEL RESCUE
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1999-08-06
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: To promote the welfare and relieve the suffering of the breed of dog known as the English Springer Spaniel who are in need of care and attention by reason of sickness, maltreatment, neglect or such other circumstances as the trustees shall determine, in particular by the provision of facilities for the reception, care and rehoming of such animals.

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Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, Animals
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups

Geography

- Scotland
- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£75,503	£86,120	-	-
2023-12-31	£89,770	£87,122	-	-
2022-12-31	£59,210	£72,410	-	-
2021-12-31	£52,390	£59,237	-	-
2020-12-31	£63,290	£60,813	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
WENDY TAYLOR	Chair	2011-05-15
Christopher Johnson		2025-03-23
Dr Carol Gray		2021-03-28
Julie Hesmondhalgh		2021-03-28
Nicki Healy		2024-12-13
Sheila Smith		2025-01-22

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NWESSR Annual Report for the Charity Commission 2024

Charity Progress:

In 2024 there continued to be an influx of dogs of varying ages and many of whom displayed challenging behaviour such as resource guarding. In response the Charity engaged a new trainer with a positive outlook to training, which greatly benefitted the dogs in our care.

During 2024, the charity continued to reflect upon and revise its procedures in response to the challenges of rehoming dogs, including young dogs that are under socialised, as well as increased expectations of those who wish to adopt dogs. NWESSR is continually reviewing processes to ensure that they remain robust, particularly important for surrender and rehoming processes. As noted in previous annual reports, much of the charity's time and resources over this period was taken up making arrangements for the rehabilitation of dogs that came in with more complex behavioural needs as well as veterinary care. NWESSR remains in an increasing minority of dog rescues whose intake policy includes dogs who have bitten; this is directly in line with NWESSR's charitable purpose to rehabilitate and rehome English Springer Spaniels, however, this has implications for the resources required in rehabilitating dogs prior to rehoming.

Over this period in-person fundraising continued, namely Dogs Day Out (June 2024). While resources did not allow for attendance at many other in-person events the charity are indebted to the increasingly innovative fundraising efforts of volunteers, alongside more traditional fundraising efforts including the 'sponsor a springer' scheme and the sale of calendars and cards. Thanks to the support of the public and NWESSR members and supporters, the charity continues to fulfil its charitable purpose of rescuing, rehabilitating and rehoming English Springer Spaniels. NWESSR remains held in esteem with other rescues; receiving referrals from larger breed-specific charities and listed in the Kennel Club breed specific rescue directory. In March 2024 NWESSR held the AGM in person, as recommended in Charity Commission guidance. As in previous years NWESSR remains an entirely volunteer-led organisation with no paid employees.

Trustee positions – Resignations and new appointments:

As required by the constitution at the NWSSR AGM 2024 Sarah Singh stood down as Secretary (Trustee), before being re-elected (unopposed).





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Marie Fox resigned as Trustee and Surrender Homing Officer

Volunteers – Resignations and new appointments:

Chris Johnson: NWESSR would like to thank Chris for joining as an Assistant Homing Officer

Janet Dunbar: NWESSR is grateful to Janet for stepping into the role of NWESSR Surrender Homing Officer, a role she performs with great initiative.

Charlene Sutton: following her appointment in Autumn 2024 as NWESSR Deputy Surrender Homing Officer, Charlene also writes Dog Profiles for social media and answers the general enquiries phone line.

Nicki Healy was co-opted as Treasurer In December 2024.

Rehoming of Dogs:

In 2024 NWESSR rehomed 50 dogs. The Homing Team were also able to offer advice or training support, to keep dogs in their own homes. NWESSR's long-term foster scheme (meaning NWESSR will cover veterinary bills for pre-existing chronic conditions, or because the dog is over 10yrs of age) remains strategically important in supporting the rehoming of older dogs/dogs with chronic conditions. Dr Carol Gray continues to play a key role in advising on the veterinary care of dogs in NWESSR's care (including those on long term foster schemes). As in previous years, a small number of dogs had to remain in kennels/residential training for prolonged periods as they were undergoing veterinary and/or rehabilitation over this period. Rosie Littlewood continued to do an excellent job in her role (Vetting Homing Officer) alongside Janet Dunbar Surrender Homing Officer, supported by Charlene Sutton, and Wendy Taylor (Matching Homing Officer). This team remains supported by Homing Officers Assistants, Julie Carr and Sue Maughan.

Kennels:

During 2024 NWESSR continued to use three private boarding kennels in the Lancashire/Manchester area for dogs that required rehabilitation prior to rehoming. As in previous years, kennel space remains at a premium. All kennels have good sized exercise areas where dogs can run. They are conveniently located for Matching Homing Officer, Trainer and Meet & Greeter to visit dogs in kennels, to check their progress and ensure that welfare standards are being maintained. Any dogs that are deemed suitable





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to be fostered were placed in appropriate foster homes, to increase their wellbeing and to keep kennelling costs as low as possible over this period.

Financial position:

NWESSR is grateful to Irene Gill, NWESSR treasurer and Nicki Higgins, assistant treasurer, for keeping close controls on spending in difficult circumstances, particularly given the number of dogs entering NWESSR's care with behavioural issues which often require rehabilitation prior to rehoming. Under challenging circumstances, the charity has managed to remain financially stable, with a total annual income of £75,502 and total expenditure of £86,120 resulting in an overall loss of profit of -£13,453 (as compared to net profit in 2023 of £2,648). Income increased on 2023 (£46,392); NWESSR remains indebted to bequests and donations (both regular and one-off), which continue to ensure the financial stability of the charity. NWESSR's income is mostly made up from regular donations by our members and supporters, plus fundraising by our trustees and volunteers. In 2024 we were also hugely grateful to receive several one-off larger donations and bequests. It is this continued support which enables us to carry on helping Springers in need. NWESSR's fundraising this period has included several social media appeals for various dogs with specific needs (including the 'Hoover' appeal), all of which have all been very well supported.

However, while costs continue to be closely managed, the increase in expenditure is largely due to rehabilitation costs associated with taking dogs that were under socialised during the pandemic, including dogs that have bitten for various reasons. In 2023 the total cost of the Vets bill was £20,316.32, this rose to £21,013 in 2024 due to unexpected cruciate repair surgery. NWESSR's expenditure for the year is as expected made up mostly of vet fees, kennelling and training. These costs are increasing across the board but are a very necessary part of NWESSR continuing to fulfil its charitable purposes, the additional spend is of direct benefit to the dogs and thus in line with the charity's aims. Some dogs that come into the organisation need considerable training and rehabilitation, which is what we do as a Rescue Charity. NWESSR incurs very little 'other' expenditure not least as NWESSR is run on a completely voluntary basis. The charity continues to explore ways of reducing costs where possible, such as offering the newsletter in digital format and careful procurement of veterinary medicines and the cost of procedures, where possible. The financial records are in good order, as confirmed by the independent reviewer.

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Events:

Dogs Day out 2024: In June 2024, NWESSR's Dogs Day Out took place. Fundraising co-ordinator Julie Hesmondhalgh did a superb job of organising this event, aided by a loyal team of volunteers. The event raised a significant amount of money (£1,292), but just as important is the social aspect of this event, providing a fabulous opportunity to bring the NWESSR members, supporters, volunteers and members of public together to celebrate the dogs who have made NWESSR what it is.

In 2024 there were two fundraising events by supporters; Leanne Hunt completed the London Marathon and raised in excess of £1,000 for the Charity and Jessica Robson did Hooray for Henry's half marathon in memory of her dog, raising £800 including Gift Aid.



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Profit and Loss Report

01 January, 2024 - 31 December, 2024

Sales

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4050 - Gift Aid Claims from HMRC	4,611.89
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4100 - Sundry Income & Interest	3,192.54
4110 - Fundraising Income	2,952.55
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4140 - Membership	1,726.64
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4160 - Calendars & Cards	1,175.10
7140 - Lola	24.15
7160 - Advent 2023	116.25
7170 - Buddy	19.40
7180 - Alfie SAS	97.47
7220 - Hoover Appeal	1,522.82
7230 - Ozzy	623.50
8000 - Milo	811.76
Total Sales	£75,502.57

Direct Expenses

5000 - Veterinary Fees	21,013.94	
5020 - Training	27,931.00	
5030 - Kennels	37,175.40	
	Total Direct Expenses	£86,120.34
GROSS PROFIT / LOSS		-£10,617.77
Overheads		
6010 - Fundraising Costs	20.00	
6020 - Cards & Calendars Costs	353.57	
6030 - Fun Day Costs	180.72	
7100 - Telephone & Postage	355.95	
7110 - Insurance	1,090.27	
7120 - Motor Expenses	420.00	
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Chris Johnson: NWESSR would like to thank Chris for joining as an Assistant Homing Officer





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Kaitlyn Harwood: Kaitlyn kindly joined as a volunteer dog walker in 2023. NWESSR are very grateful for the time she puts in to socialise and exercise dogs in kennels.

Janet Dunbar: NWESSR is grateful to Janet for her work as NWESSR Deputy Surrender Homing Officer, a role she performs with great initiative.

Charlene Sutton: Following her appointment in Autumn 2023 as NWESSR Deputy Surrender Homing Officer, Charlene predominantly writes Dog Profiles for social media, produces kennel notices and answers the general enquiries phone line. More recently Charlene has started to specialise in assisting with surrenders.

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However, while costs continue to be closely managed, the increase in expenditure (compared to £72,410 in 2022) is largely due to rehabilitation costs associated with taking dogs that were under socialised during the pandemic, including dogs that have bitten for various reasons. Plus unexpected costs in one case of cruciate repair surgery. NWESSR's expenditure for the year is as expected made up mostly of vet fees, kennelling and training. These costs are increasing across the board but are a very necessary part of NWESSR continuing to fulfil its charitable purposes. This spending is of direct benefit to the dogs and thus in line with the charity's aims. Some dogs that come into the organisation need considerable training and rehabilitation, which is what we do as a Rescue Charity. NWESSR incurs very little 'other' expenditure not least as NWESSR is run on a completely voluntary basis. The charity continues to explore ways of reducing costs where possible, such as offering the newsletter in digital format and careful procurement of veterinary medicines where possible. The financial records are in good order, as confirmed by the independent reviewer.

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Events:

As aforementioned, due to demand on trustees' time over this period NWESSR attended fewer events than in previous years, as day-to-day rehabilitation and rehoming took priority.

Dogs Day out 2023: In June 2023, NWESSR's Dogs Day Out took place. Fundraising co-ordinator Julie Hesmondhalgh did a superb job of organising this event, aided by a loyal team of volunteers. The event raised a significant amount of money (£1,036.08), but just as important is the social aspect of this event, providing a fabulous opportunity to bring the NWESSR members, supporters, volunteers and members of public together to celebrate the dogs who have made NWESSR what it is.

Cycling for springers: In March 2023, Anthony Holden cycled 127 miles from Liverpool to Leeds along the Leeds-Liverpool canal, meeting numerous NWESSR dogs and their families along the way. Sponsorship for this event raised a fantastic £1,635 for NWESSR.



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ACCOUNT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS	Note	2023	2022
		£	£
Incoming resources			
Donations and Gifts	2	62,668	28,547
Other income	3	<u>27,102</u>	<u>30,663</u>
Total incoming resources		89,770	59,210
Resources Expended			
Direct Charitable Expenses	4	84,824	64,387
Fundraising and Publicity	5		4,990
Management and Administration	6	<u>2,298</u>	<u>3,033</u>
Total Resources Expended		87,122	72,410
Income from Fundraising (net)			
RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR		2,648	-13,200
Net movement in funds during the period		2,648	-13,200
Balance brought forward at 1 January		140,753	153,953
Balance carried forward at 31 December		143,401	140,753

There are no recognised gains or losses in either of the above financial years

All the funds accumulated are classified as unrestricted

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CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash at Bank	152,724	147,475
Debtors	<u> </u>	<u>2,600</u>
	152,724	150,075
Less liabilities	<u> </u>	<u>4,066</u>
Total Assets	<u><u>152,724</u></u>	<u><u>146,009</u></u>
REPRESENTED BY:		
FUNDS:		
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Approved and signed by

Signed

Irene Gill
26.1.24

Irene Gill, Treasurer

S. S. Sharp
26/2/24

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Independent Verifier

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Trustee positions – Resignations and new appointments:

In March 2022 Julie Hesmondhalgh and Carol Gray were elected as trustees at the AGM, confirming the Executive Committee's decision to co-opt them in 2021. Kristine Pemberton, the Treasurer, resigned commensurate with the AGM. NWESSR is grateful to Kristine for her dedicated service. Carol Gray was appointed as interim treasurer at the AGM until July 2022 when Irene Gill was co-opted by the Executive Committee as a Trustee and Treasurer.

Volunteers – Resignations and new appointments:

Gillian Kirk: NWESSR would like to thank Gillian Kirk who stepped down as assistant treasurer.

Nicki Higgins: took up the role of Assistant Treasurer, where she is putting her accountancy skills to good use.





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Elaine Wood: Thanks to Elaine Wood who played a key role in coordinating Dogs Day out 2022 as well as assisting Julie Hesmondhalgh in coordinating other fundraising activities across the year.

Richard Carratu: Joined the fundraising team, where he has put forward ideas and will help to try secure grants.

Rehoming of Dogs:

In 2022 NWESSR rehomed 50 dogs. The homing Team was also able to offer advice or training support, in order to keep dogs in their own homes. We also held an Open Day at kennels, where applicants were invited to come and meet the dogs in kennels. This was successful and resulted in applicants offering homes, to dogs who they may otherwise not considered. Some dogs have been fostered on NWESSR's long-term foster scheme (meaning NWESSR will cover veterinary bills for existing chronic conditions, or because the dog is over 10yrs of age). As was the case in 2021, a small number of dogs had to remain in kennels as they were undergoing veterinary and/or rehabilitation over this period. Rosie Littlewood continues to do an excellent job in her role 'Homing Officer (Vetting)' alongside Marie Fox 'Homing Officer (Surrenders)' and Wendy Taylor 'Homing Officer (Matching)'. Fully supported by Homing Officers Assistants Julie Carr and Sue Maughan and Dog Training Co-ordinator Sarah Singh.

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Financial position:

Kristine Pemberton, the NWESSR Treasurer resigned in 2022. Kristine was assisted in her role by Gillian Kirk, as Assistant Treasurer who also resigned in 2022. We are grateful to Irene Gill for assuming the role of treasurer and Nicki Higgins for assuming the role of assistant treasurer. Under very difficult circumstances, the charity has managed to remain relatively financially stable, with a total annual income of £59,210 with total expenditure of £72,410 resulting in an overall loss of £13,200.





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Income increased on 2021 (£52390) due the aforementioned resumption in fundraising activity. However, while costs continue to be closely managed, the increase in expenditure is largely due to the ongoing impact of the pandemic and the rehabilitation costs associated with this. We remain indebted to the large bequest from 2016, along with other bequests and donations (both regular and one-off), which have ensured the financial stability of the charity. Adoption fees and initiatives, such as 'sponsor a springer', along with volunteer led fund-raising activities, such as the sale of cards and calendars and raffles continue to play a role in maintaining the financial health of the charity. NWESSR continues to explore ways of reducing costs where possible, such as offering the newsletter in digital format and careful procurement of veterinary medicines where possible.

While trustees are committed to controlling expenditure, the most significant costs incurred continued to be fees for rehabilitation and the associated kennelling costs. Veterinary treatment also accounted for a large proportion of expenditure. This spending is of direct benefit to the dogs and in line with the charity's aims, with administration costs kept at an absolute minimum. The charity is run by unpaid volunteers. Other expenses continue to be relatively low and the financial records are in good order, as confirmed by the independent reviewer.

General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR):

In common with other charities, throughout 2022, NWESSR continued to take the necessary steps to ensure the safeguarding of data and respect for privacy of our volunteers, adopters, members and supporters.

Events:

As aforementioned many of NWESSR's in-person events resumed this year following postponement or online alternatives during the pandemic. Over 2022 fundraising events included Dogs Day Out as well attending Cheshire Show and Cheshire Game and Angling Fair. NWESSR were also delighted to attend Crufts 2022 as a Kennel Club Breed specific rescue.



NORTH WEST ENGLISH SPRINGER SPANIEL RESCUE

ACCOUNT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS	Note	2022	2021
		£	£
Incoming resources			
Donations and Gifts	2	28,547	35,288
Other income	3	<u>30,663</u>	<u>17,202</u>
Total incoming resources		59,210	52,490
Resources Expended			
Direct Charitable Expenses	4	64,887	53,616
Fundraising and Publicity	5	4,990	3,776
Management and Administration	6	<u>3,033</u>	<u>1,845</u>
Total Resources Expended		72,910	60,237
Income from Fundraising (net)		-13,200	-6,847
RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR		-13,200	-6,847
Net movement in funds during the period		-13,200	-6,847
Balance brought forward at 1 January		153,953	160,800
Balance carried forward at 31 December		140,753	153,953

There are no recognised gains or losses in either of the above financial years

All the funds accumulated are classified as unrestricted

	2022	2021
	£	£
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash at Bank	147,475	165,613
Debtors (GRF Aid)	<u>2,600</u>	<u>2,151</u>
	- 150,075	167,764
Less liabilities	<u>4,966</u>	<u>4,488</u>
Total Assets	<u>146,000</u>	<u>163,276</u>
REPRESENTED BY:		
FUNDS:		
Unrestricted	<u>146,000</u>	<u>163,276</u>

Approved and signed by

Signed

Irene Gil
6 March 2023

Irene Gil, Treasurer

S. E. Sharp
6/3/23

Suzanne Sharp, Accountant
Independent Verifier

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England & Wales - Charity number 1076924

Accounts



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NWESSR Annual Report for the Charity Commission 2021

Charity Progress:

During 2021, the charity continued to work to continue to improve its procedures in response to the challenges posed by Covid-19 and the challenges of rehoming dogs. Over this period NWESSR continued to implement robust surrender and rehoming processes. Much of the trustees' time in 2021 was taken up making arrangements for the rehabilitation of dogs that came in with more complex behavioural needs and responding to pre and post lockdown trends in surrenders and applications as, after lockdown ended, there were many more dogs being surrendered and a notable decrease in adoption applications. While many in-person fundraising events had to be cancelled (namely the Annual fun day scheduled for July 2021), thanks to the support of the public and NWESSR members and supporters, the charity continues to fulfil its charitable purpose of rescuing, rehabilitating and rehoming English Springer Spaniels. NWESSR is listed in the Kennel Club breed specific rescue directory. While the March 2021 AGM could not be held in person NWESSR devised a paper-based system, which allowed members to participate in the governance of the charity, by facilitating voting either by post or electronically. Members received extensive packs which included annual reports and voted on approval of the minutes of the last AGM, approval of the previous year's accounts and changes to the constitution, either via postal ballot or online.

Trustee positions - Resignations and new appointments:

In March 2021 Julie Hesmondhalgh and Carol Gray were co opted as trustees. Both bring with them a wealth of relevant experience. Julie joins as Raffle Co Ordinator and has experience in charitable fundraising and Carol is NWESSR consultant vet, helping us to maintain high standards of animal welfare.

Volunteers - Resignations and new appointments:





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Andrea Goodall: NWESSR would like to thank Andrea Goodall who stepped down as fundraising Co Ordinator.

Audre Mahoney: A big thank you to Audre Mahoney who stepped down as fun day co-ordinator but who continues to volunteer with microchipping.

Rehoming of Dogs:

In 2021 NWESSR rehomed 52 dogs. The homing Team were also able to offer advice or training support, in order to keep dogs in their own homes. Some dogs have been fostered on NWESSR's long-term foster scheme (meaning NWESSR will cover veterinary bills for existing chronic conditions, or because the dog is over 10yrs of age). A small number of dogs had to remain in kennels as they were undergoing veterinary and/or rehabilitation over this period. Rosie Littlewood continues to do an excellent job in her role 'Homing Officer (Vetting)' alongside Marie Fox 'Homing Officer (Surrenders)' fully supported by Homing Officers Assistants Julie Carr and Sue Maughan.

Kennels:

During 2021 NWESSR continued to predominantly use two boarding kennels in the Manchester area for dogs that required more specialist rehabilitation. Both kennels have good sized exercise areas where dogs can run. They are conveniently located for trustees and volunteer dog walkers to visit dogs in kennels, to check their progress and ensure that welfare standards are being maintained. Any dogs that could be fostered were placed in appropriate foster homes, to increase their wellbeing and to keep kennelling costs as low as possible over this period.

Financial position:

Throughout 2021 Kristine Pemberton, the NWESSR Treasurer was assisted in her role by Gillian Kirk, as Assistant Treasurer. Under very difficult circumstances, the charity has managed to remain relatively financially stable, with a total annual income of £52,390 with total expenditure of £59,237 resulting in an overall loss of £6,847. This was primarily due to a 37% reduction in donations compared to 2020, as a result of significantly reduced fund-raising activities during the year, because of the ongoing impact of the pandemic.





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Costs continue to be closely managed and overall there has been a slight decrease in costs between 2020 and 2021. We remain indebted to the large bequest from 2016, along with other bequests and donations (both regular and one-off), which have ensured the financial stability of the charity. Adoption fees and initiatives, such as 'sponsor a springer', along with volunteer led fund-raising activities, such as the sale of cards and calendars and raffles continue to play a role in maintaining the financial health of the charity. While trustees are committed to controlling expenditure, the most significant costs incurred continued to be fees for rehabilitation and the associated kennelling costs. Veterinary treatment also accounted for quite a large proportion of expenditure. This spending is of direct benefit to the dogs and in line with the charity's aims, with administration costs kept at an absolute minimum. Other expenses continue to be relatively low and the financial records are in good order, as confirmed by the independent reviewer.

General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR):

In common with other charities, throughout 2021, NWESSR continued to take the necessary steps to ensure the safeguarding of data and respect for privacy of our volunteers, adopters, members and supporters.

Events:

As aforementioned many of NWESSR's annual events including fun day 2021 had to be cancelled in response to the Covid 19 pandemic. We were however able to have a stand at Crufts, thanks to The Kennel Club and a stand at The Cheshire Show. The 2021 AGM was conducted as a distanced paper-based exercise where our members and supporters were sent full packs detailing updates or reports on all agenda items. Members were sent voting papers in advance so that they could fully participate by either voting via post or online.



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ACCOUNT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

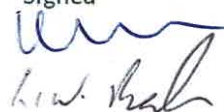
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS	Note	2021	2020
		£	£
Incoming resources			
Donations and Gifts	2	35,188	47,653
Other income	3	<u>17,202</u>	<u>15,637</u>
Total incoming resources		52,390	63,290
Resources Expended			
Direct Charitable Expenses	4	53,616	57,565
Fundraising and Publicity	5	3,776	1,527
Management and Administration	6	<u>1,845</u>	<u>1,721</u>
Total Resources Expended		59,237	60,813
Income from Fundraising (net)			
RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR		-6,847	2,477
Net movement in funds during the period		-6,847	2,477
Balance brought forward at 1 January		170,124	167,647
Balance carried forward at 31 December		163,277	170,124

There are no recognised gains or losses in either of the above financial years

All the funds accumulated are classified as un restricted

CURRENT ASSETS	2021	2020
	£	£
Cash at Bank	165,613	168,709
Debtors (Gift Aid)	<u>2,151</u>	<u>1,415</u>
	167,764	170,124
Less liabilities	<u>4,488</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Assets	<u><u>163,276</u></u>	<u><u>170,124</u></u>
REPRESENTED BY:		
FUNDS:		
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Approved and signed by

Signed


Kristine Pemberton, Treasurer

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Lindsay Beeston, FCCA, Independent Reviewer

NWESSR
COMPARATORS 2021-2020

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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	2021	2020
	£	£ £
2. DONATIONS AND GIFTS		
Donations, Gifts & legacies	23,445	37,349
Sponsor a Springer	6,452	6,776
Gift Aid	5,291	3,528
	<u>35,188</u>	<u>47,653</u>
3. OTHER INCOME		
Adoption Fees	9,746	7,070
Surrender Fees	321	100
Raffles and Tombola	2,046	2,129
Insurance Commission	1,120	937
Sundry Income inc Bank Interest	4	1,469
Income from Fundraising (net)	1,283	1,171
Funday (net)		
Membership	1,630	961
Supporters	176	190
Calendars and Cards (net)	248	1,248
Collection Boxes	630	361
Newsletter		
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4. DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE		
Veterinary Fees	17,848	11,565
Kennels	20,154	31,392
Training	15,614	14,608
	<u>53,616</u>	<u>57,565</u>
5. FUNDRAISING AND PUBLICITY		
Newsletter Expenses	3,776	1,527
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6. MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION		
Telephone and Postage	72	48
Insurance	1,140	1,079
Motor Expenses	30	
Room Hire		
Bank/Internet Charges	603	595
	<u>1,845</u>	<u>1,721</u>
Net surplus (deficit)	-6,846	2,477

There are no wages costs as all services to the charity are carried out on a voluntary basis.

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ACCOUNT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

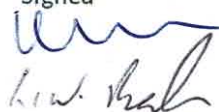
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Accounts



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NWESSR Annual Report for the Charity Commission 2020

Charity Progress:

During 2020, the charity continued to work to continue to improve its procedures in response to the challenges posed by Covid 19 and the challenges of rehoming dogs. Over this period NWESSR continued to implement robust surrender and rehoming processes. Much of the trustees' time in 2020 was taken up making arrangements for the training of dogs that came in with more complex behavioural needs through the national 'lock down', devising alternative methods of fundraising and reviewing an increase in adoption applications. NWESSR continued to take in dogs during the lockdown, however a decision was taken at the end of March to suspend rehoming applications, in order to catch up and to produce a new more detailed application form. When this was launched after lockdown, NWESSR received an unprecedented number of applications. While many in-person events had to be cancelled (namely the AGM 2020 due to take place in March and the Annual fun day scheduled for July 2020), thanks to the support of the public and NWESSR members and supporters, the charity maintains a stable financial position and continues to fulfil its charitable purpose of rescuing, rehabilitating and rehoming English Springer Spaniels. NWESSR is listed in the Kennel Club breed specific rescue directory.

Trustee positions - Resignations and new appointments:

Trustee/NWESSR Homing Officer

Michael Emmott resigned as trustee and Homing Officer in April 2020. The Trustees would like to register our thanks to Michael for his years of service.

Volunteers - Resignations and new appointments:

(i) Assistant Treasurer

In 2020 NWESSR was happy to welcome Gillian Kirk as assistant treasurer. Gillian continues to do a good job in this role and has done well in processing gift aid.

(ii) Cards and Calendars organiser





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NWESSR thanks David and Selena Sweeney for being in this role for a number of years. NWESSR are grateful to Louise Gudgeon for volunteering for this role.

(iii) Homing Officers

Thanks to Andy pass who was trainee homing officer from September 2019-September 2020. Thanks also to HOA Sharon McGuire, who resigned this year after a number of years of volunteering.

Following Michael Emmott's resignation Marie Fox has since been appointed to the role of Homing Officer and Rosie Littlewood has assumed the new position of Homing Co-ordinator, thanks to both who have dealt with unprecedented numbers of applications over this period.

Kennels:

During 2020 NWESSR continued to use boarding kennels predominantly in the Manchester area for dogs that required more specialist behavioural training. Kennels in the Ribble Valley were also used over this period. Both kennels have good sized exercise areas where dogs can run. They are conveniently located for trustees and volunteer dog walkers to visit dogs in kennels, to check their progress and ensure that welfare standards are being maintained. Any dogs that could be fostered during the national lockdown were placed in appropriate foster homes to increase their wellbeing and to keep kennelling costs as low as possible over this indefinite period.

Financial position:

From 2020 onward Kristine Pemberton, the NWESSR Treasurer is being assisted in her role by Gillian Kirk, appointed by the Executive Committee as Assistant Treasurer. Under very difficult circumstances the charity has managed to break even over the reporting year. The financial position of NWESSR continues to be healthy, due to fundraising efforts and careful control of costs. We remain indebted to the large bequest from 2016, along with other bequests and donations (both regular and one-off) which have ensured the financial stability of the charity. Adoption fees and initiatives, such as 'sponsor a springer', along with volunteer led fund-raising activities, such as the sale of cards and calendars and raffles continue to play a role in maintaining the financial health of the charity. While sadly NWESSR's fun day had to be cancelled and the number of dogs we could rehome was limited, the lockdown appeal was a fantastic success, raising £13,800, allowing the charity to maintain a consistent financial position over this difficult period. In relation to





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General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR):

In common with other charities, throughout 2020, NWESSR continued to take the necessary steps to ensure the safeguarding of data and respect for privacy of our volunteers, adopters, members and supporters.

Rehoming of Dogs:

Following the resignation of Michael Emmott in April 2020, Marie Fox has since been appointed to the role of Homing Officer, with responsibility for Surrenders with the grateful thanks of the Executive Committee. Rosie Littlewood has assumed the new position of Homing Co-coordinator, dealing with vetting forms. The Covid 19 Pandemic resulted in a hugely increased volume of applications, not all of which have been suitable for rescue springers. In 2020 NWESSR rehomed 31 dogs. Homing Team was also able to offer advice or training support in order to keep dogs in their own homes. Some dogs have been fostered on NWESSR's long-term foster scheme (meaning NWESSR will cover veterinary bills for existing chronic conditions, or because the dog is over 10yrs of age). A small number of dogs had to remain in kennels during lockdown as they were undergoing veterinary and/or behavioural training over this period.

Events:

As aforementioned many of NWESSR's annual events including fun day 2020 had to be cancelled in 2020 due to the Covid 19 pandemic. The 2020 AGM was also cancelled due to pandemic.

(i) Crufts 2020





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Once again, NWESSR's thanks go to The Kennel Club who hosted NWESSR on their stand. Thank you to all the volunteers and breed ambassadors who attended the stand and helped the trustees in promoting our cause.



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ACCOUNT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES 31 DECEMBER 2020

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS	Note	2020	2019
		£	£
Incoming resources			
Donations and Gifts	2	47,653	22,732
Other income	3	<u>15,637</u>	<u>24,840</u>
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Resources Expended			
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Management and Administration	6	<u>1,721</u>	<u>2,454</u>
Total Resources Expended		60,813	130,584
NET INCOMING/OUTGOING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR			
		2,477	-83,012
Net movement in funds during the period			
		2,477	-83,012
Balance brought forward at 1 January 2020		167,647	250,659
Balance carried forward at 31 December 2020		170,124	167,647

There are no recognised gains or losses in either of the above financial years

All the funds accumulated are classified as unrestricted

CURRENT ASSETS	2020	2019
	£	£
Cash at Bank	168,709	169,309
Debtors (Gift Aid)	<u>1,415</u>	<u>2,178</u>
	170,124	171,487
Less liabilities	<u>0</u>	<u>3,840</u>
Total Assets	<u>170,124</u>	<u>167,647</u>
REPRESENTED BY:		
FUNDS:		
Unrestricted	<u>170,124</u>	<u>167,647</u>

Approved and signed by

Signed



Date

05/03/2021

Kristine Pemberton, Treasurer

05/03/2021

Lindsay Beeston, FCCA, Independent Reviewer

NWESSR
COMPARATORS 2020-2019

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Gift Aid	3,528	2,463
	<u>47,653</u>	<u>22,732</u>
3. OTHER INCOME		
Adoption Fees	7,070	15,260
Surrender Fees	100	500
Raffles and Tombola	2,129	2,158
Insurance Commission	937	778
Sundry Income inc Bank Interest	1,469	124
Net Income from Fundraising (net)	1,171	1,038
Funday (net)		1,413
Membership	961	1,406
Supporters	190	205
Calendars and Cards (net)	1,248	858
Collection Boxes	361	920
Newsletter		180
	<u>15,637</u>	<u>24,840</u>
4. DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE		
Veterinary Fees	11,565	16,460
Kennels	31,392	47,016
Training	14,608	61,154
	<u>57,565</u>	<u>124,630</u>
5. FUNDRAISING AND PUBLICITY		
Newsletter Expenses	1,527	3,500
	<u>1,527</u>	<u>3,500</u>
6. MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION		
Telephone and Postage	48	522
Insurance	1,079	1,173
Motor Expenses		
Room Hire		99
Bank/Internet Charges	595	660
	<u>1,721</u>	<u>2,454</u>
There are no wages costs as all services to the charity are carried out on a voluntary basis.		
Net surplus (deficit)	2,477	-83,012

NORTH WEST ENGLISH SPRINGER SPANIEL RESCUE

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		2,477	-83,012
Net movement in funds during the period			
		2,477	-83,012
Balance brought forward at 1 January 2020		167,647	250,659
Balance carried forward at 31 December 2020		170,124	167,647

There are no recognised gains or losses in either of the above financial years

All the funds accumulated are classified as unrestricted

CURRENT ASSETS	2020	2019
	£	£
Cash at Bank	168,709	169,309
Debtors (Gift Aid)	<u>1,415</u>	<u>2,178</u>
	170,124	171,487
Less liabilities	<u>0</u>	<u>3,840</u>
Total Assets	<u>170,124</u>	<u>167,647</u>
REPRESENTED BY:		
FUNDS:		
Unrestricted	<u>170,124</u>	<u>167,647</u>

Approved and signed by

Signed



Date

05/03/2021

Kristine Pemberton, Treasurer

05/03/2021

Lindsay Beeston, FCCA, Independent Reviewer

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and on a receipts and payments basis.

	2020	2019
2. DONATIONS AND GIFTS	£	£
Donations, Gifts & legacies	37,349	13,268
Sponsor a Springer	6,776	7,001
Gift Aid	3,528	2,463
	<u>47,653</u>	<u>22,732</u>
3. OTHER INCOME		
Adoption Fees	7,070	15,260
Surrender Fees	100	500
Raffles and Tombola	2,129	2,158
Insurance Commission	937	778
Sundry Income inc Bank Interest	1,469	124
Net Income from Fundraising (net)	1,171	1,038
Funday (net)		1,413
Membership	961	1,406
Supporters	190	205
Calendars and Cards (net)	1,248	858
Collection Boxes	361	920
Newsletter		180
	<u>15,637</u>	<u>24,840</u>
4. DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE		
Veterinary Fees	11,565	16,460
Kennels	31,392	47,016
Training	14,608	61,154
	<u>57,565</u>	<u>124,630</u>
5. FUNDRAISING AND PUBLICITY		
Newsletter Expenses	1,527	3,500
	<u>1,527</u>	<u>3,500</u>
6. MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION		
Telephone and Postage	48	522
Insurance	1,079	1,173
Motor Expenses		
Room Hire		99
Bank/Internet Charges	595	660
	<u>1,721</u>	<u>2,454</u>
There are no wages costs as all services to the charity are carried out on a voluntary basis.		
Net surplus (deficit)	2,477	-83,012