

BRITISH DALMATIAN WELFARE

Trustees' Report

For the year ended 31 December 2023

The trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charity's governing document, the Charities Act 1993 and the statement of Recommended Practice, "Accounting and Reporting by Charities", issued in March 2005.

Structure, governance and management

The Charity was established by a charitable trust deed on 30 September 2001. The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

Objectives and activities

British Dalmatian Welfare aims to help, support, offer advice, and in some cases re-home Dalmatians whatever their background or breeding. We liaise with local authorities and other dog rescue charities with a Dalmatian in their care. On average we re-home 50 Dalmatians a year and offer support to Dalmatian owners nationwide on a variety of issues from behaviour to feeding. Our major source of income is donations from adopters re-homing a Dalmatian and bequests. Other sources of income have included sales, fundraising and sponsored activities. As in previous years the veterinary fees continue to be the largest expense for neutering fees, general care and long-term medication for re-homed Dalmatians and, especially, support for owners as requested. The demand for our help has been high and other rescue organisations are finding the same. The increasing population of dogs and the recession has made the need for financial help very high. Fortunately, we do have the funds to support these needs. Due to the support of all our volunteers our administration costs are kept to a minimum. The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the Charity should undertake.

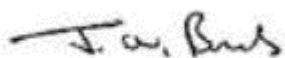
Achievements and performance

This is the twenty second full year of operation since the Charity was established. The main income is from donations and fundraising activities.

Financial review It is the policy of the Charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to between three- and six-month expenditure. The trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the Charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year.

On behalf of the board of trustees

Trustee



Dated

5th September 2024

BRITISH DALMATIAN WELFARE
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
Income resources		
Donations and legacies	47,285	24,906
Interest receivable	2,662	1,158
Other income	<u>13,271</u>	<u>14,362</u>
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	<u>63,217</u>	<u>40,425</u>
 RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Costs of generating funds:		
Fundraising and publicity	1,895	2,902
Charitable expenditure:		
Costs in furtherance of charitable objects	70,822	64,228
Goverance costs	<u>9,394</u>	<u>8,177</u>
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	<u>82,111</u>	<u>75,306</u>
 EXCESS OF EXPENDITURE OVER INCOME	<u>(18,894)</u>	<u>(34,881)</u>
 Fund balances at 1st January 2023	363,139	398,020
 Fund balances at 31st December 2023	<u>344,245</u>	<u>363,139</u>

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**BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023**

	2023	2022
	£	£
FIXED ASSETS		
Sound System	0	0
Depreciation final year	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	0	0
CURRENT ASSETS		
Stock	3,400	3,900
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>340,845</u>	<u>359,239</u>
	344,245	363,139
NET CURRENT ASSETS	<u>344,245</u>	<u>363,139</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	<u><u>344,245</u></u>	<u><u>363,139</u></u>
FUNDS		
Unrestricted	<u>344,245</u>	<u>363,139</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u><u>344,245</u></u>	<u><u>363,139</u></u>

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
RECEIPTS		
Bequest	11,250	2,161
Donations (via new dog owners)	20,903	12,559
Donations (general)	13,111	8,617
Friends	2,021	1,568
Shop/ Stall/ Seasonal	4,642	3,958
Ebay	4,404	5,119
Bank Interest	2,662	1,158
Other	3,410	4,471
Fun Day	814	815
Sponsored activities	0	0
	<u>63,217</u>	<u>40,425</u>
PAYMENTS		
Veterinary fees (general)	63,848	60,320
Veterinary fees (neutering)	640	270
Behaviour and training	448	200
Kennelling/ foster care	5,886	3,438
Printing and stationery	1,060	505
Postage	1,527	1,185
Marketing/Website	243	543
Telephone	189	145
Travelling expenses	4,684	3,885
Insurance	704	564
Meeting costs	96	120
Accountants fees	383	380
Shop/ Stall / Seasonal	1,453	2,515
Ebay	0	0
Lottery licence	0	0
Fun day	442	387
Sundry	509	850
Depreciation	0	0
	<u>82,111</u>	<u>75,306</u>
EXCESS OF RECEIPTS OVER PAYMENTS	<u><u>(18,894)</u></u>	<u><u>(34,881)</u></u>

BRITISH DALMATIAN WELFARE
Independent Examiners Report
For the year ended 31 December 2023

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the British Dalmatian Welfare (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2023

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act).

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the application Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145 (5)(b) of the Act.

Independent Examiners Statement

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

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act: or
2. The accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. The accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a "true and fair view" which is not a matter considered part of an independent examination.

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 proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



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Date: 20.03.24