

**CARING FOR THE ANIMALS TRUST**

**ACCOUNTS TO 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2020**

**CHARITY COMMISSION REF. NO. 1091152**

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**CARING FOR THE ANIMALS TRUST**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020 which are set out on page 2.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

As the association's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirements of section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (The Act) do not apply. It is my responsibility to state on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 43(7)(b) of The Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

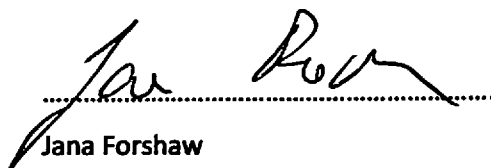
**Basis of the independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. And examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the association and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration from you as trustees concerning those matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a true and fair view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the Act and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records have not been met.
2. To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached

  
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Jana Forshaw

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## STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

### Financial Activities

#### Income resources

Donations	68,362.00
Fundraising	12,532.00
Gift Aid	13,290.00
	<u>94,184.00</u>

#### Resources Expended for Animal Welfare

Expenditure on Animal Welfare	89,886.00
Printing educational leaflets, newsletters, postage etc	448.00
	<u>90,334.00</u>
Bank charges	184.00
	<u>90,518.00</u>
 Total funds brought forward	 30,516.00
Excess of income during the year	3,666.00
Total funds carried forward	<u>34,182.00</u>

Cash at bank	17,600.00
Paypal	3,292.00
Debtor - HMRC	13,290.00
	<u>34,182.00</u>

Approved by the Trustees 18th February 2021

Signed on their behalf

*Linda Manley-Bird*

Linda Manley-Bird  
Trustee

## CARING FOR THE ANIMALS TRUST

### Trustees Report for the year ended 31 December 2020

CARAT continues to support small groups or individuals in Greece who rescue or care for abused or abandoned animals.

As our newsletters never fail to report, overpopulation of stray dogs and cats is still a huge problem in Greece and the cause of much needless suffering which has worsened as abandonment of unwanted animals has proliferated in the wake of the economic crisis and more recently the coronavirus outbreaks. Attempts to control the problem are therefore of paramount importance and CARAT continues to allocate a large percentage of its limited income to neutering. Volunteer vets from the UK and other EU countries have made a considerable contribution and an increasing number of Greek vets are prepared to offer lower fees for sterilising strays.

CARAT has continued to support the smaller shelters, rescuers and individuals in Greece who are at the real grass roots of rescue and are often overlooked because they have no time for self-publicity. This year, due to increased support we have been able to offer help to a few new individuals and societies in their tireless work for the strays on the street. Sadly, poisoning is still seen by some as the solution to the stray problem although it is illegal, intensely cruel and ineffective.

The coronavirus outbreak across Europe and the subsequent lockdowns curtailed our rehoming efforts considerably, although applications to adopt were more numerous than any previous year. Animal welfare volunteers in Greece were obliged to apply to their Dimos for a permission card allowing them to travel in order to continue to feed and care for the strays in their area. The new Brexit requirements for the submission of IPAFFS notifications for animals entering the UK with the intent of adoption was met without any particular difficulty; although there was little clarity from the Government departments on the exact requirements for importing animals after the end of 2020.

CARAT's literature (in Greek), particularly that relating to neutering – is still in demand and in setting out simply the benefits both for the animals and society, has often helped to change a deep-seated belief that the procedure is unnatural and harmful to the animal.

The donkey sanctuary on Crete, Agia Marina Donkey Rescue, which receives regular support from CARAT has continued to rescue abandoned or ill-treated donkeys.

CARAT continues to maintain its status as a “no overheads” society, so that all income received directly benefits the animals. It is still a very small organisation but has a loyal and enthusiastic following thanks to whose generosity much suffering has been alleviated and many animals have found new caring owners despite the misguided efforts of a minority to prevent rescued animals from being adopted in other EU countries.