

**GREAT DANE ADOPTION SOCIETY AND TRUST FUND**

**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
30 JUNE 2023**

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# **GREAT DANE ADOPTION SOCIETY AND TRUST FUND**

## **CHARITY INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023**

<b>Patron:</b>	Guy Liebenburg Msc BVSc MRCVs
<b>Trustees:</b>	David Wall (Chairman) David Wheatley Catherine Louise Ludgrove
<b>Other Officials:</b>	Joy Ledingham (Charity Manager) Adelle Tudor (Website Manager) Joy Ledingham (Membership Secretary)
<b>Bankers:</b>	NatWest Bank 16 The Boulevard Crawley, West Sussex RH10 1GL  CAF Bank Ltd 25 Kings Hill Avenue Kings Hill West Malling, Kent ME19 4JQ
<b>Kennel Site:</b> (Sold December 2021)	Laurels Farm House East Fen Lane New Leake, Boston Lincolnshire PE22 8JQ
<b>Charity Number:</b>	1091717
<b>Independent examiner:</b>	Mrs Nicola Lenton FCCA Dexter and Sharpe Chartered Certified Accountants The Old Vicarage Church Close Boston, Lincolnshire PE21 6NA

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## **ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023**

### **Objectives of the Charity**

The charity was formed to relieve the suffering and distress of dogs, in particular the breed known as Great Danes, who are in need of attention by reason of homelessness, by the provision of temporary shelter, veterinary treatment and by finding permanent homes for such dogs.

Great Dane Adoption Society and Trust Fund is a registered charity (No 1091717).

In setting our objectives and planning our activities our trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

### **Financial Position and Reserves**

The Charity relies mainly on the revenue from our busy Charity Shop, rental income from a small house owned by the Charity and donations from our supporters.

Figures for 2022-2023:		£
	Total receipts	75,370
	Total payments	(68,377)
	<b>Increase in cash funds</b>	<b>6,993</b>
	<b>Total Reserves</b>	<b>62,632</b>

The trustees consider that the reserves are adequate to continue the charity's current level of activity.

### **Risk Management**

The trustees have undertaken a review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and systems to mitigate those risks have been considered and are adequate.

### **Trustees**

There have been no new Trustees this year, all are playing an active part in ensuring the future of GDAS.

### **Appointment of Professionals**

The support from our Accountants is continuing to prove a wise decision in controlling all aspects of our financial dealings.

### **Review**

The GDAS Charity shop profit remains about the same as in the previous couple of years. It now has more competition from much larger charities who have opened larger shops close by but we do have a good loyal customer base so we hope to be able to continue with the good work.

We are delighted to report that we are still able to help a number of small struggling canine charities by way of Grants which we give out twice a year in the Spring and Autumn and aim to give a total of £10,000 each calendar year. The charities we support are worthy causes and need any help that they can get and often get overlooked in favour of the big corporate charities.

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### **ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023 Cont**

#### **Volunteers**

The Charity shop is run by two part time Shop managers and our part time Charity Manager along with a group of volunteers.

#### **Trustees' Responsibilities**

The trustees are required under the Charities Act 2011 to prepare financial statements for each year, selecting an appropriate consistent basis for preparation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with applicable law and regulations. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

#### **Requirement for Audit**

There is no requirement in the constitution for the accounts to be audited. The Charities Act 2011 obliges the Trustees to have the financial statements independently examined. A copy of the examiner's report is attached to the accounts.

The report was approved by the trustees on 2024 and signed on their behalf.

**David Wall (CHAIRMAN)**

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## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF GREAT DANE ADOPTION SOCIETY AND TRUST FUND**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30 June 2023, which are set out on pages 5 to 7.

### **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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

### **Independent examiner's statement**

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

MRS NICOLA LENTON FCCA  
**Independent Examiner**  
**Dexter & Sharpe**  
**Chartered Certified Accountants**  
**The Old Vicarage**  
**Church Close**  
**Boston**  
**Lincolnshire**  
**PE21 6NA**

**2024**

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## RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

	Restricted Funds £	General Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
<b>RECEIPTS</b>				
<b>Grants, Donations and Offerings:</b>				
Sponsorship	-	75	75	424
Donations	-	8,719	8,719	5,612
Legacies	-	450	450	-
<b>Fundraising Activities:</b>				
Fundraising	-	-	-	-
<b>Other Income:</b>				
Sale of goods	-	533	533	1,810
Charity shop	-	47,260	47,260	54,125
Membership fees	-	3,449	3,449	2,585
Rent received	-	12,638	12,638	11,510
Petplan commissions	-	2,232	2,232	2,857
Bank interest	-	14	14	1
<b>Total Receipts:</b>	-	75,370	75,370	78,924
<b>PAYMENTS</b>				
<b>Direct Charitable Expenditure:</b>				
Salaries	-	22,000	22,000	24,480
Pension	-	286	286	256
Rescue and adoption expenses	-	12,836	12,836	13,890
Purchases for charity shop	-	224	224	165
Postage and printing	-	1,205	1,205	2,002
Motor expenses	-	5,483	5,483	5,357
Insurance	-	1,093	1,093	1,014
Water rates	-	934	934	186
Rent and rates	-	14,665	14,665	15,294
Light and heat	-	1,102	1,102	1,113
Repairs and renewals	-	1,382	1,382	1,470
Telephone and communication	-	545	545	684
<b>Governance Costs:</b>				
Legal and professional fees	-	4,936	4,936	3,739
Bank charges	-	314	314	541
Accountancy	-	823	823	762
<b>Other Expenditure:</b>				
Sundry	-	147	147	441
Rental property expenses	-	402	402	4,472
<b>Total Payments:</b>	-	68,377	68,377	75,866
<b><u>NET SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR</u></b>	-	6,993	6,993	3,058
<b>Cash Funds Brought Forward</b>	-	55,639	55,639	52,581
<b>Cash Funds Carried Forward</b>	-	62,632	62,632	55,639

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## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 30 JUNE 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
<b>Cash Funds</b>		
Natwest Current Account	59,274	49,684
CAF Membership Account	2,880	3,920
PayPal Account	5	190
Cash in hand	-	1,412
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	62,159	55,206
VAT Receivable/(Payable)	473	433
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<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>62,632</b>	<b>55,639</b>
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<b>Other Assets and Liabilities</b>		
<b>Assets Retained for the Charities Own Use</b>		
Motor Vehicles	1,774	2,366
Furniture and Equipment	735	980
Property	114,665	115,588
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	117,174	118,934
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<b>Other Debtors</b>		
VAT	473	433
Anglian Water	50	257
PAYE Debtor	588	588
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	1,111	1,278
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<b>Liabilities</b>		
Trade Creditors	1,110	892
Accountancy	870	810
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	1,980	1,702
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Approved for and on behalf of the charity on

2024 by:

David Wall (CHAIRMAN)



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## **NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023**

### **1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

#### **Basis of preparation of financial statements**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charity Commission requirements on the Receipts and Payments Basis and are compliant with the Charities Act 2011.

#### **Assets retained for the Charities own use**

Depreciation has only been calculated to the extent that the value included within the Statement of Assets will more accurately reflect their underlying value. The rates used are as follows:

Kennel Site	- 25% reducing balance
Motor Vehicle	- 25% reducing balance
Equipment	- 25% reducing balance