



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1<sup>st</sup> July 2024 Period start date To 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025 Period end date

**Charity name: Border Terrier Welfare**

**Charity registration number: 1116853**

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	For the benefit of any member of the public to relieve the suffering of and sickness in the breed of dog known as the Border Terrier by providing shelter and rehoming for these dogs and assisting in veterinary care where owners are in need of financial help and by making grants to research organisations who have undertaken to prevent, treat or cure diseases that occur in Border Terriers.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	1) To find homes for Border Terriers when and for whatever reason their current owner can no longer keep them. 2) To provide accommodation, care and assessment of those dogs whilst seeking a suitable home and owner. 3) To collect and deliver without charge these dogs. 4) To financially support those members of the public who seek help with veterinary care and to continue that support to ensure the future health of the dog in either the old or new home. 5) To continue to seek new volunteers to assist in our work, this objective is ongoing.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees do have such regard.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	Grants are occasionally provided on a case by case basis where it is considered that the award is Border Terrier or canine related and we are willing to support research into breed health as and when a valid opportunity should arise.
Policy on social investment	Para 1.38	As per the Border Terrier Welfare website and social media.

including program related investment		
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Volunteers often make contributions in various ways eg. by not charging for their time, travel or out of pocket expenses. Also, on occasions providing foster care or kennelling without charge or at a reduced rate. Many items are donated by volunteers for the charity to offer as raffle prizes.
Other		

## Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>The main achievements have been the rehoming and care of a substantial number of Border Terriers. Those benefitting are the mostly distraught owners, those who find themselves having to rehome for whatever reason and the dogs themselves who often face an uncertain future were it not for Border Terrier Welfare. Other achievements have been being able to assist owners financially where they have been unable to cover the ever increasing cost of veterinary care.</p> <p>Figures for Y/E June 25 (Y/E June 2024 in brackets)</p> <p><b><u>Dog Transport</u></b>  Travel approx 14769 miles (15971)  Transporting 67 Dogs (85)  At a cost of £6646 (£7187)</p> <p><b><u>Shelter / Kennelling</u></b>  No of dogs 46 (33) Cost : £36098 (£33163)  Days : 2781 (3011) Ave cost : £12.98 per day per dog (£11.01) Ave Days per dog : 60 (91)</p> <p><b><u>Vet Fees</u></b>  Vet Fees £67454 (£84175)  No of dogs 82 (107)  Ave cost per dog £822.61 (£786.68)</p>

### Additional information (optional)

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Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	Our objectives are to be able to help whenever our assistance is requested and we usually achieve this.
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Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	We are fortunate in having a large number of loyal supporters who help us with varied fundraising initiatives in addition to those of our own.
Other		

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Our costs continue to be significant, although our financial situation remains strong.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	General reserves are not restricted to or designated for a particular purpose. The level set is reviewed annually by the trustees, giving due consideration to the fact that expenditure can be unpredictable in the short term and that our main source of income is reliant almost solely on the goodwill of and donations from our supporters. Reserves are therefore set to protect the charity from a sudden decrease or cessation of income at such a level that we would be able to continue our work caring for Border Terriers in need of shelter or veterinary assistance or rehoming for a period of approximately one year.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£140,000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	Currently our rate of income more than covers our expenditure and we have a substantial reserve. For this reason there are no immediate concerns regarding the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The principal sources of funds are general and rehoming donations, legacies & memorials, fundraising events including organised dog walks, weekend camping events, webstore sales, calendar sales, auction sales, raffles and social media events.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	Reserves are held in no risk accounts that are covered by the Financial Services Authority's Compensation Scheme and seeking an interest return.

A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The principal risks would be the loss of income from donations or fundraising activity and /or a significant increase in the number of dogs needing our support especially those requiring expensive veterinary care.
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted?	Para 1.25	Association
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	By election at an AGM

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	Newly inducted Trustees are mentored by established Trustees. Border Terrier Welfare is a volunteer group who work together as a team.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	The organisational structure is made up of a committee headed up by a Chairperson, Treasurer, Secretary and other trustee members together with a team of some twenty five or so national volunteer representative covering the mainland UK.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	We have no other related parties
Other		



## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Border Terrier Welfare
Other name the charity uses	Known by some as BTW, Border Terrier Rescue or Border Terrier Trust
Registered charity number	1116853
Charity's principal address	Mrs Melanie Robson Treasurer Border Terrier Welfare Carisbrooke 3 Buckles Way Banstead Surrey SM7 1HB E Mail : treasurer@borderterrierwelfare.co.uk

## Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Joyce Rhodes	Chair		
2	Melanie Robson	Treasurer & Secretary		
3	John Jessop			
4	Vanessa Jessop			
5	Roger Newson			
6	Mark Harvey			
7	Shelley MacFarlane			
8	Sylvia Smith			
9	Nicola Lambert			
10	Jean Cranmer			
11	Sue Broom		1/7/24-16/5/25	
12	Denise Le Breton		Co-opted March 25	
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## Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

### Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

#### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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### Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A
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### Other optional information




N/A

## Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Melanie Robson	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Secretary/Treasurer	
Date	31/10/25	

**BORDER TERRIER WELFARE  
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2025**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2025	2024
<b>INCOME RECEIPTS</b>				
Voluntary Receipts				
Re-homing donations	30,819	-	30,819	25,136
General donations	99,548	-	99,548	91,544
Gift Aid tax reclaimed	9,255	-	9,255	6,753
Legacies and memorials	67,856	-	67,856	61,184
	<u>207,478</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>207,478</u>	<u>184,617</u>
Receipts from fund-raising activities				
Events	1,843	-	1,843	1,415
Sales	9,317	-	9,317	8,338
	<u>11,160</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,160</u>	<u>9,753</u>
Investment Income				
Bank Interest	4,009	-	4,009	3,718
	<u>4,009</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,009</u>	<u>3,718</u>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<u>222,647</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>222,647</u>	<u>198,088</u>
<b>DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE</b>				
Kennel accommodations costs	36,098	-	36,098	33,163
Veterinary fees	67,454	-	67,454	84,175
Travel costs to kennels etc	6,646	-	6,646	7,187
Honoraria and gifts	1,085	-	1,085	453
	<u>111,283</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>111,283</u>	<u>124,978</u>
<b>FUND-RAISING COSTS</b>				
Events	503	-	503	664
Goods for re-sale	7,076	-	7,076	5,175
	<u>7,579</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,579</u>	<u>5,839</u>
<b>MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION</b>				
Insurance	990	-	990	982
General administrative expenses	4,349	-	4,349	3,860
Consulting	-	-	-	1,350
Charitable and Political Donations	-	-	-	10,200
Fees: PayPal and JustGiving	1,130	-	1,130	992
Equipment	-	-	-	-
Independent Examiner's fee	795	-	795	735
	<u>7,264</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,264</u>	<u>18,119</u>
<b>Total payments</b>	<u>126,126</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>126,126</u>	<u>148,936</u>
<b>Surplus/(deficit) for the year</b>	<u>96,521</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>96,521</u>	<u>49,152</u>
Funds brought forward 1 July 2024	427,053	500	427,553	378,401
Funds carried forward 30th June 2025	<u>523,574</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>524,074</u>	<u>427,553</u>



**BORDER TERRIER WELFARE  
BALANCE SHEET  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2025**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2025	2024
<b>Current assets</b>				
Stock	100	-	100	500
Debtors	300	-	300	-
Gift aid reclaim	16,915	-	16,915	14,497
Prepayments	2,736	-	2,736	1,158
	<u>20,051</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>20,051</u>	<u>16,155</u>
<b>Cash at Bank and in Hand</b>				
Virgin Money charity deposit account	50,000	-	50,000	50,000
Scottish Widows deposit account	87,341	-	87,341	86,064
Metro bank	85,000	-	85,000	85,000
PayPal account	130	-	130	1,245
Stripe	-	-	-	-
CAF Bank	84,982	-	84,982	84,872
HSBC Money Market deposits	-	-	-	-
HSBC Bank deposit account	135,000	-	135,000	100,000
HBT Bank deposit account	53,000	-	53,000	-
HSBC Bank current account	11,988	500	12,488	6,289
Cash in hand	73	-	73	73
	<u>507,514</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>508,014</u>	<u>413,543</u>
<b>Total Current assets</b>	<b>527,565</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>528,065</b>	<b>429,698</b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>				
Creditors	2,742	-	2,742	1,470
Accruals	1,249	-	1,249	675
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>3,991</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,991</b>	<b>2,145</b>
<b>Net assets</b>	<b>523,574</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>524,074</b>	<b>427,553</b>
<b>Reserves</b>				
Unrestricted			523,574	427,053
Restricted			500	500
			<u>524,074</u>	<u>427,553</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on  
6th OCTOBER 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

*M Robson*  
TREASURER

**BORDER TERRIER WELFARE  
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2025**

**1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**BASIS OF PREPARING THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, 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 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at market value.

**INCOME**

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

**EXPENDITURE**

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, 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 accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

**STOCKS**

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

**TAXATION**

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

**FUND ACCOUNTING**

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.



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**2 TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

None of the trustees were remunerated in their capacity as trustees.

£2,951 (2024 £2,487) was reimbursed to five (2024 four) trustees to cover travel expenses in connection with the transportation of dogs to and from kennels, food, medication, subscription and other charity related costs.

During the year a business in which a trustee is a partner was paid £23,693 for Kenneling fees and Behaviourist fees. These were charged to the Charity at a significantly reduced rate.

The treasurer and secretary roles are entitled to honoraria to cover their out of pocket expenses at a rate of £500 per role.

**3 FUNDS**

Restricted funds consists of £500 towards support for the Breed Health Group.

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of  
BORDER TERRIER WELFARE**

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Border Terrier Welfare**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Border Terrier Welfare (the Charity) for the year ended 30 June 2025.

**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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 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;
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 as 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 a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

 6/10/25

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