



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **1st January 2023** To **31st December 2023**

Charity name: The Birman Welfare & Rescue

Charity registration number: 1123174

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The rescue and re-homing of Birman cats and where appropriate their feline companions
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	The charity rescued and rehomed some 22 Birman cats during the period 1st January to 31st December 2023
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The activities of the charity are for the benefit of the general public

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	Not applicable
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	Not applicable
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	All work done by or for the charity is done by volunteers
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	22 Birman cats were received in to rescue and rehomed during this period.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity's finances continue to remain strong and should be sufficient to cover our activities during the immediate future
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Reserves are held to enable us to carry out our day-to-day activities
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£305,000
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	The charity will be able to continue its activities so long as our volunteers and trustees remain in position

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	Legacies, donations and fund raising
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	Our funds are held in safe UK bank accounts. No speculative investment is permitted or undertaken.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed , royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust Deed
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association , CIO)	Para 1.25	Unincorporated 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	New trustees are invited to join and then a vote is taken for approval by the existing trustees.

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	N/a
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	N/a
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	N/a
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	The Birman Welfare and Rescue
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1123174
Charity's principal address	Haven Cottage, The Entry, Wickham Skeith Eye, Suffolk. IP23 8LY

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	Geoffrey Tarr	Trustee (Chair of meetings)		The Trustees
2	Julia Ward	Trustee		The Trustees
3	Elaine Beattie	Trustee		The Trustees
4	Patricia Williams	Trustee		The Trustees
5	Jennifer Baldwin	Trustee		The Trustees
6	Elizabeth Gedge	Trustee (secretary)		The Trustees
7	Angela Walker	Trustee		The Trustees
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
N/a		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
N/a		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	Zero
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

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Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Geoffrey Tarr

Full name(s)

Geoffrey Richard Tarr

Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

Chair

Dated

3rd October 2024

Birman Welfare and Rescue

These accounts are based from 1st January to 31st December 2023

Charity Number 1123174

	31.12.2022	31.12.23
Account balances		
Business Savings Account 03064603	228,326.15	230,499.84
Business Premium Account 20527327	58.95	59.30
Current Account 60013501	37,834.61	73,713.48
Income		
Rehoming Donations	3,655.00	3,200.00
General Donations	2,634.17	5,467.00
Kitten Register	215.00	60.00
Monthly/Annual Donations	1,955.00	1,855.00
Charities Commission		
Fund Raising	480.56	823.94
Pet Plan/Agria Rebate	960.23	1,010.12
Sundries (list attached)		
VAT Rebate	1,015.05	885.40
Legacy	742.70	30,732.54
	11,657.71	44,034.00
Expenditure		
Vet bills	5,270.39	4,859.33
Boarding	1,082.00	745.50
Travel	300.01	69.50
Postage & Stationery	15.30	39.00
Phone Bills	725.75	492.01
Sundries (see breakdown)		96.65 Flowers & accountant gift
Trustee Meetings	262.89	
Website	23.00	31.40
Safehouse Insurance	405.91	470.70
Office Equipment		119.90
Fund Raising Expenses		
Rescue Pens		
Birmingham (Heather)		366.26
Blackpool		
Hockley (Peter Rayson)		
Somerset (Karen Kent)	391.00	60.00
Suffolk		
Swindon	14.16	
Suffolk (Tig)		
Wiltshire		
Winchester		
Wolverhampton (Liz Gedge)		73.48
Yorkshire		
VAT	940.55	731.40
	£9,430.96	£8,155.13
Legacies		
Mrs J M Pink (Kodak) 04/01/2019		
Mrs J M Pink 07/05/2019		
Patricia Pirret 13/01/2019		
Maureen Sibley 21/02/2019		
Pam James		
Lynne Rushden 02/06/2021		
Gillian Parker 06/08/2021		
Elizabeth Brigliadori	286.00	
Karen Legon	336.70	
James Firth	120.00	
Dennis John Read		30,000.00
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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Birman Welfare and Rescue

On accounts for the year
ended

31st December 2023

Charity no
(if any)

1123174

Set out on pages

one

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2023

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 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 (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date:

02/10/2024

Name:

Robin Lawrence

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

AFA

Address:

R&M Accountancy, Suite 1B 18 Crendon Street, High Wycombe HP13 6LS

Section B	Disclosure
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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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