



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 29 June 2022 – 28 June 2023

Charity name: Greyhound Rescue North East

Charity registration number: 1131609

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>To relieve the suffering of Greyhounds, Lurchers and Whippets by providing necessary care and temporary shelter and by placing them in suitable homes.</p> <p>To advance the education of the public in the care of Greyhounds, Lurchers and Whippets.</p>
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	<p>Connections with the public and information about the dogs in our care were conveyed via social media and our website.</p> <p>Home checks are carried out to ensure dogs and owners/homes are appropriately matched.</p> <p>Advice prior to and after adoption was offered to the public either through a virtual platform or over the phone.</p> <p>The cost of living crisis is affecting the volume of potential owners coming forward.</p> <p>The cost of living crisis has also been partly responsible for more dogs than in previous years have being returned to us. We also have had a slightly higher intake of sight-hounds that have been living as pets with owners who find themselves no longer able to care for their dog.</p> <p>Other animal rescues are also struggling to accommodate dogs and this is putting pressure on our charity to offer dogs within our catchment breed a shelter space. We are still liaising with other rescues in the hope that the situation improves.</p>

		We have maintained a strict policy of never euthanising a healthy dog by accommodating dogs that would be difficult to rehome within the Greyhound Rescue North East team, in foster placements or permanent residence at our kennels.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	Trustees have had regard for the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance. This is demonstrated by the support provided to ensure that healthy dogs are rehomed and those unsuitable for rehoming are cared for. The charity continues to offer advice and support to the public to increase knowledge of animal welfare and offer additional support as required.

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	The founder of the charity is our main volunteer. His contribution is fundamental to the care of the dogs and the day-to-day running of the charity. He also provides the kennelling facilities to house the dogs free of charge. 4 volunteers help with work at the kennels and 1 of these volunteers also runs the Instagram account. 1 volunteer helps with the Facebook account and prepared the 2020-2021 accounts. 2 volunteers support admin and purchasing for the kennels.
Other		Trustees oversee the running of the charity, assist with all aspects related to caring for and homing the dogs, and are responsible for all administration, Facebook, banking and accounts, website and marketing, and fundraising

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	56Sight-hounds, 5 greyhounds and 6 lurchers, were homed directly from Greyhound Rescue North East during the period 29 June 2022 – 28 June 2023.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	Covered in summary of achievements.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>Collection tubs Calendars.</p> <p>Pets at Home, at very short notice, stopped supporting us as their charity of the year midway through the year to support Pets Pantry, a small unregistered charity providing food to people who can't afford to feed their pets. According to their Facebook page, this charity paused operations September 2023. We have not contacted Pets at Home to reapply for charity of the year status because of the abrupt way they ended our relationship.</p> <p>The cosmetics store Lush contacted us at the beginning of 2023 to ask if they could support us with their charity pot. We initially declined due to lack of volunteers to attend the in-store event. However we managed to enlist some volunteers to help and liaised with the Newcastle Eldon Square store to set up the fundraiser day. On the morning we were due to attend the store we received an email saying we could not be part of their charity fundraisers because we are a greyhound rehoming charity and Lush are opposed</p>

		to Greyhound racing.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	Not Applicable.
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Financial position remains viable, and an independent examiner has reviewed accounts as our income has risen above £25k.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	In addition to the general running costs of the Rescue, the charity endeavours to have funds to meet larger, unforeseen veterinary bills for animals in our care and those being rescued on an ongoing basis. There is a recognition that larger kennel facilities will be required in the future to meet demand and funding for this requires a build up of reserves as running costs allow.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£
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	none

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	Bonds from Greyhound Board Donations from people adopting dogs. Donations from the public Sales of annual calendar Donations from volunteers & trustees
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/A
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Fewer dogs are being due to cost of living and the possibly the surge in adoptions during covid-19 lock downs. homed than before and during lock-downs. The kennels always run the risk that we could have an excess of dogs who are difficult or unsuitable to home to the public.

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)	Para 1.25	Unincorporated

association, CIO)		
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	Existing Trustees elect volunteers and trustees with regard to credentials, experience and suitability.

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	Greyhound Rescue North East
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1131609
Charity's principal address	16/17 Frederick Street, South Hylton, Sunderland, SR4 0QR

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	Billie Jo Duncan			
2	Kay Duncan			
3	Alexa Cuthbertson			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

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

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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Meia Lumberton

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees



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Full name(s)

Billie Jo Duncan

Alexa Cuthbertson

**Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)**

Trustee

Trustee

Date

19/04/2024



CHARITY COMMISSION
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Charity Name

No (if any)

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
29/06/22

To

Period end date
28/06/23

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Pets at Home charity	-	-	-	-	1,376
Amazon	421	-	-	421	258
PetPlan	2,125	-	-	2,125	2,060
Re-homing donations	7,760	-	-	7,760	7,492
GBGB bonds	16,400	-	-	16,400	22,600
General donations	12,745	-	-	12,745	8,559
Calendar donations	1,318	-	-	1,318	954
PayPal giving fund	88	-	-	88	568
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	40,857	-	-	40,857	43,867
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	40,857	-	-	40,857	43,867
A3 Payments					
Premises / Kennel Maintenance	481	-	-	481	22
Website fees	139	-	-	139	109
TrainersGBGB/emergency kennelling	1,400	-	-	1,400	3,800
Fuel & van running costs	2,992	-	-	2,992	1,115
Fundraising expenses	-	-	-	-	541
Admin	247	-	-	247	70
Miscellaneous		-	-	-	19
Supplies & equipment	1,847			1,847	
Health Maintenance	277			277	
Vet fees	7,826	-	-	7,826	7,611
Food	13,245	-	-	13,245	12,210
Sub total	28,454	-	-	28,454	25,497
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	28,454	-	-	28,454	25,497
Net of receipts/(payments)	12,403	-	-	12,403	18,370
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	12,403	-	-	12,403	18,370

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank account	73,804	-	-
	PayPal account	1,276	-	-
	Petty Cash	1	-	-
	Total cash funds	75,081	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Van		-	4,000
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	Billie Jo Duncan	Billie Jo Duncan	18/04/24	
	Alexa Cuthbertson	Alexa Cuthbertson	18/04/24	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	Charity Name Greyhound Rescue North East		
On accounts for the year ended	28 June 2022	Charity no (if any)	1131609
Set out on pages	Page 1 – Spreadsheet Receipts and Payments 2022-2023		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 28/06/2023

**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 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 (other than that disclosed below *) 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.

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

Signed:		Date:	20/04/24
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Name: Alan Dobbin

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):** Professional bookmaker

Address: 16 Elm Street, Langlee Park,
County Durham, DH& 9SU

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.