

# COCKER AND ENGLISH SPRINGER SPANIEL RESCUE (CAESSR)

England & Wales · Charity number 1137589

## Details

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**Other names** CAESSR

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Trust

**Registered** 2010-08-26

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC TO RELIEVE THE SUFFERING OF DOGS KNOWN AS COCKER SPANIELS AND ENGLISH SPRINGER SPANIELS, AND IN PARTICULAR TO PROVIDE AND MAINTAIN RESCUE HOMES OR OTHER FACILITIES FOR THE RECEPTION, CARE AND TREATMENT OF SUCH DOGS. TO PROMOTE HUMANE BEHAVIOUR TOWARDS SUCH DOGS BY PROVIDING APPROPRIATE CARE, PROTECTION, TREATMENT AND SECURITY FOR SUCH DOGS WHICH ARE IN NEED OF CARE AND ATTENTION BY REASON OF SICKNESS, MALTREATMENT, POOR CIRCUMSTANCES OR ILL USAGE AND TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC IN MATTERS PERTAINING TO DOG WELFARE IN GENERAL AND THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY AND SUFFERING AMONG DOGS.

**Activities:** With our growing band of helpers we are now able to re-home dogs to most parts of the country. We use private Boarding Kennels, and have a Dog Psychologist and a gundog trainer to help with the difficult. All dogs with health problems are given appropriate veterinary treatment. Dogs with behavioural problems are referred to our trainers. During this, our first year 201 have been rehomed.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Animals
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED. IN PRACTICE, NATIONAL
- Scotland
- Throughout England And Wales

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£61,410	£37,005	-	-
2024-03-31	£40,992	£54,386	-	-
2023-03-31	£41,383	£50,469	-	-
2022-03-31	£35,602	£34,377	-	-
2021-03-31	£39,741	£36,930	-	-

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
<b>John Powell</b>	Chair	
Amber Leigh Hall		2025-06-03
Claire Darlington		2025-06-03
Emma Downing		2023-01-15
Jocelyn Craven-Wilkinson		2025-01-23
Karen Hawley		2025-06-03
MRS DI HARRISON		

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# Accounts

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## COCKER AND ENGLISH SPRINGER SPANIEL RESCUE

### TRUSTEE ANNUAL REPORT

Registered Charity Number: 1137589

The Trustee' report and accounts for the year ending 31 March 2025

### CHARITY'S PRINCIPLE ADDRESS

The address of the charities secretary is c/o  
Wembley  
Englesea Brook Lane  
Englesea Brook  
Crewe  
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### OBJECTIVES

The rescue was originally set up in March 2010 with the aims of:-

- Creating a network of volunteers and supporting procedures to facilitate the rehoming and rescue of Cocker and English Springer Spaniels.
- Where identified and necessary, providing veterinary care and training support to dogs placed in our care.
- Providing on-going financial support for veterinary care where necessary in order to facilitate the rehoming or fostering of elderly or infirm dogs.
- Where and When appropriate, encouraging responsible owners to persevere with their problem dogs by providing information, advice, support and guidance.
- CAESSR (Cocker and English Springer Spaniel Rescue) was set up by two couples, John and Pat Powell and Ian and Diana Harrison.

### ADVISERS

The principle advisers of the charity are:

#### Bank

The Cooperative Bank, PO Box 250, Skelmerdale, Lancashire, WNB 6WT

#### Charity Setup

Clive Denny IP, F.C.A, 14 Rue Des Primeveres, 66180 Villeneuve de la Raho, France, [clivedenny@aol.com](mailto:clivedenny@aol.com)

## TRUSTEES AND GOVERNANCE

CAESSR (Cocker and English Springer Spaniel Rescue) is governed by its constitution that was adopted on 11<sup>th</sup> June 2010.

The rescue became a charity on the 26<sup>th</sup> August 2010 and the trustees from that date are listed below, along with any changes/introductions and resignations to the trustees. In 2026 it is planned for the retirement of Ian and Diana Harrison. A handover of roles and responsibilities together is planned to the newly inducted trustees.

The charity registered address has also undertaken a change from that previously recorded with the introduction of a newly appointed secretary.

Name:	Position:	(Re) appointed:	Resigned:
John Powell	Trustee & Homing Enquiries	16.01.2022	
Ian Harrison	Trustee & Website Administrator	29.03.2024	
Diana Harrison	Trustee & Homing Enquiries	15.01.2023	
Emma Downing	Trustee & Homing Officer	15.01.2023	
Jocelyn Craven-Wilkinson	Trustee & Treasurer	23.01.2025	
Karen Hawley	Trustee & Assistant Homing Officer & Adoption Follow Ups	03.06.2025	
Claire Darlington	Trustee & Secretary	03.06.2025	
Amber Hall	Trustee & Fundraising & Social Media Administrator	03.06.2025	
<i>Pat Powell</i>	<i>Treasurer</i>	26.08.2015	23.12.2015 (deceased)
Lisa Guthrie	Treasurer	29.03.2024	03.06.2025

## ACTIVITIES & ACHIEVEMENTS:

CAESSR is now able to help in more areas of the country. When the charity was started this was very much limited to the Midlands, however with continued success this has grown in geographics.

Based primarily in Staffordshire, and using Hardiwick Kennels, a private boarding kennel. This means that dogs coming into our care can be given a full assessment before they are rehomed. Dogs with known health problems are provided with any necessary veterinary treatment prior to rehoming.

During CAESSR's financial year 40 dogs have been rehomed, and two dogs were euthanised due to severe aggression issues. The average time spent in kennels was 26 days. Time spent in kennels also allows for training and assessments with a dog behaviourist and medical treatment. At this time, we had two dogs awaiting homes. Statistics for the year, demonstrate that the average number of days each dog spent in kennels was 26 days

During this year Diana and Ian Harrison together with Lisa Guthrie started to hand over to a new team of volunteers with a view to soon retiring from CAESSR. Trustee Emma Downing was appointed as homing Officer, with Diana providing guidance to match incoming dogs to new homes. Ian provided guidance to Emma on how to update the Charity's database. Jocelyn Craven-Wilkinson started to work with Lisa in order to become our new Treasurer.

With an enhanced team of new Volunteers, CAESSR is able to offer a walking rota each week for the dogs in kennels. In addition to this, local spaces are made available to the charity to allow the kennel dogs to use outside and inside secure spaces for fun, play and training.

All trustees and volunteers remain unpaid helpers. Out of pocket expenses can be paid to trustees and volunteers, however nearly all expenses are not claimed.

### **DOG CARE**

The homing team has seen some change in the last twelve months, with new volunteers coming forward to help and assist. This has allowed the charity to expand on knowledge of the dogs coming into the charity's care. John Powell continues to coordinate the home checks with trustees and volunteers vetting prospective new homes.

Hardiwick Kennels offers some basic grooming for the dogs in their care, Mandy is able to offer this service to CAESSR. Sadly it is recognised that without the use of grooming some of the dogs could not be rehomed without this essential service due to their condition.

### **VOLUNTEERS**

CAESSR is solely reliant on volunteers for its continued success. Without these essential people the role of the charity would be reduced. The volunteers walk the dogs, complete home vetting, provide transport for vet appointments and ensure that all the dogs CAESSR's care receive love and play.

### **ADMINISTRATION AND ACCOUNTING**

The accounts for the year 2024/2025 have been completed by Jocelyn Craven-Wilkinson and independently verified by William Thompson.

The prior financial year was challenging, but a successful emergency appeal helped put the charity's finances on a more stable footing.

During the current financial year, certain decisions were taken by the Trustees. These included increasing the minimum reserves level to £12,000 to cover at least three months of operational costs, enhancing the review and vetting procedures for surrendered dogs, and increasing the use of foster homes for dogs within our care whilst they are waiting to be rehomed.

The charity ended 2024/2025 with a surplus of £24,405.34, with income of £61,410.09 and expenses of £37,004.75. At the end of the year, the charity's funds stood at £27,022.60, of which £3500 has been classified as restricted and to used solely for training of dogs in our care.

Excluding donations from the emergency appeal, the main sources of funds for the year were adoption and surrender donations, general donations from supporters, as well as a grant and a legacy. Veterinary costs and kennelling continue to be the charity's biggest expenses.

### **PUBLICITY**

CAESSR social media following grows daily. The official Facebook page has more than 34,000 followers.

CAESSR use our social media to advertise events that we are attending, appeals for volunteers, plus foster and permanent homes. We have also had success raising funds for dogs in kennels and their care, in the form of monetary donations, and purchase of items such as brain games, food, treats and toys.

### **FUNDRAISING**

CAESSR team of volunteers began building a network of contacts which have led to them attending some events with locally donated prizes for tombola's, or items to be sold on our stall, those include:-

Penkridge Market – 29th March, and a few car boot sales

Further fundraising efforts have been through the sale of greeting cards, Christmas cards and 2025 Calendars designed by Trustee Emma Downing, and volunteer Danielle Wilkes, and distributed by volunteer Andrew Foster

Future fundraising will be achieved via continued sales online, and attendance at more events, and continued collection of items for resale/use/collectables such as used electronics and postage stamps.

### **SOCIAL MEDIA**

For the year we had 4.9k link clicks on social media posts, this being Facebook and 19.8k interactions on our posts. Around 800 new followers from our posts

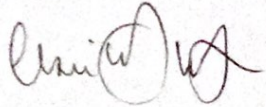
Paddington Bear being our big sponsorship and donation push for the surgery removing his eye. The initial post for this got 18k views, the second post leading up to this surgery got 20k views on our socials.

We also had a social media push for fundraising for Lizzie who was found to have a heart murmur and needed scans at the Willows - 10.8kviews

**SIGNATURE AND DECLARATION**

I declare in my capacity of charity trustee that the trustees have approved the report above and have authorised me to sign it on their behalf

Secretary

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Claire Darlington', written in a cursive style.

**Claire Darlington**

## ACCOUNT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS	Note	2025 £	2024 £
<b>Incoming Resources</b>			
Donations and Gifts	2	53,005.91	28,392.19
Other income	3	<u>8,404.18</u>	<u>12,599.89</u>
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>		<b><u>61,410.09</u></b>	<b><u>40,992.08</u></b>
 <b>Resources Expended</b>			
Direct Charitable Expenses	4	34,477.51	50,536.15
Fundraising and Publicity	5	1,886.28	1,807.92
Management and Administration	6	<u>640.96</u>	<u>2,042.12</u>
<b>Total Resources Expended</b>		<b><u>37,004.75</u></b>	<b><u>54,386.19</u></b>
 <b>NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR</b>			
Net Movement in funds during the year		24,405.34	(13,394.11)
Balance brought forward at 1 April 2024		2,617.26	16,011.37
Balance carried forward at 31 March 2025		<b><u>27,022.60</u></b>	<b><u>2,617.26</u></b>

Funds of £3,500 at 31 March 2025 have been classified as restricted with all remaining funds classified as unrestricted.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and on a receipts and payments basis.

	2025	2024
<b>2. DONATIONS AND GIFTS</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Adoption donations	9,920.00	14,040.00
Surrender donations	5,490.00	1,300.00
Other donations and gifts	27,172.69	10,271.69
Gift Aid	2,584.84	2,780.50
Legacies	4,338.38	-
Grants	3,500.00	-
	<b><u>53,005.91</u></b>	<b><u>28,392.19</u></b>
<b>3. OTHER INCOME</b>		
Bank Interest/commission	5,257.43	9,101.14
Calendar/cards/promotional sales	3,146.75	3,498.75
Fundraise stamps	-	-
	<b><u>8,404.18</u></b>	<b><u>12,599.89</u></b>
<b>4. DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE</b>		
Veterinary Fees	17,997.41	33,622.56
Kennels	15,680.40	16,704.00
Training	763.00	-
Dog Food	29.50	209.59
Microchip supplies	7.20	-
	<b><u>34,477.51</u></b>	<b><u>50,536.15</u></b>
<b>5. FUNDRAISING AND PUBLICITY</b>		
Newsletter and Calendar postage	360.00	424.02
Calendar/Car sticker printing	1,526.28	1,383.90
	<b><u>1,886.28</u></b>	<b><u>1,807.92</u></b>
<b>6. MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION</b>		
Website / Software	-	-
Stationery & Printing	-	384.33
Insurance	295.67	301.98
Transport	(89.10)	717.65
Sundry Expenses	-	9.99
Bank/Pay Pal/Just Giving Charges	434.39	600.88
Post	-	27.29
	<b><u>640.96</u></b>	<b><u>2,042.12</u></b>

There are no wages costs as all personal services to the charity are carried out on a voluntary basis.

## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

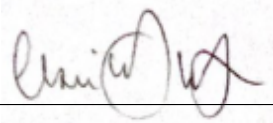
CURRENT ASSETS	£
Cash at Co-Op Bank (Statement as at 31st March 2025)	26,996.60
Funds to be Banked	26.00
Less Cheques to be presented	-
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b><u>27,022.60</u></b>

### REPRESENTED BY:

#### FUNDS

Restricted funds	3,500.00
Unrestricted funds	<u>23,522.60</u>
<b>Total funds</b>	<b><u>27,022.60</u></b>

Approved by the Board of Trustees on ~~26 January 2026~~ and signed on its behalf by



Claire Darlington, Secretary



Jocelyn Craven-Wilkinson, Treasurer

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of  
"Cocker and English Springer Spaniel Rescue".**

We report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st March 2025, which are set out on pages 1 to 3.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 43 of the 1993 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 43 (7)(b) of the 1993 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's report**

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full 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 our examination no matter has come to our attention, which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 1993 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 Act

have not been met.

 BSc, FCMA, GCMA.

Name: W. J. Thompson

Relevant professional qualification or body: BSc, FCMA, GCMA

Address: 30 Rowley Hall Drive, Stafford, ST17 9FF

Date: 26<sup>th</sup> January 2026

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# Accounts

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# COCKER AND ENGLISH SPRINGER SPANIEL RESCUE

## TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

Registered Charity Number 1137589

The Trustees' report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024

## CHARITY'S PRINCIPAL ADDRESS

The address of the Charity Secretary is:

C/o Old Mother Redcap

Duddon

Tarporley

Cheshire

CW6 OEL

## OBJECTIVES

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- Putting in place a network of volunteers and supporting procedures to facilitate the rehoming and rescue of Cocker and English Springer Spaniels.
- Where necessary, providing veterinary and training support for the dogs placed in our care.
- Providing on-going support for veterinary care where necessary in order to facilitate the rehoming of elderly or infirm dogs.
- Where appropriate, encouraging responsible owners to persevere with their problem dogs by providing information, advice, support and guidance.
- CAESSR was set up by John and Pat Powell and Ian and Di Harrison.

## ADVISERS

The principal advisers of the charity are:

### Banker

The Co-operative Bank

P.O. Box 250

Skelmersdale

Lancashire

WNB 6WT

### Charity Setup

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## TRUSTEES AND GOVERNANCE

Cocker And English Springer Spaniel Rescue (CAESSR) is governed by its constitution that was adopted on 11<sup>th</sup> June 2010.

The Rescue became a Charity on 26<sup>th</sup> August 2010 and the trustees from that date are listed below:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>(Re)Appointed</b>	<b>Resigned</b>
John Powell	Chairman	16:01:2022	
Ian Harrison	Secretary	29:03:2024	
Pat Powell	Treasurer	26:08:2015	23:12:2015 (Dec'd)
Diana Harrison	Homing Officer	15:01:2023	
Lisa Guthrie	Treasurer	29:03:2024	
Emma Downing	Trustee	15:01:2023	

## **ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS**

CAESSR was initially set up to cover the Midlands, however, with our growing band of helpers, we are now able to re-home Cockers and Springers to most parts of the country.

Our main base is in Staffordshire. We use Hardiwick Kennels, which is a private Boarding Kennels. We have a block set aside for CAESSR dogs with an excellent staff member, who works closely with all the dogs and gets to know them. Most of our dogs are taken into these kennels for assessment before they are rehomed. All dogs with health problems are given any necessary veterinary treatment prior to rehoming.

During CAESSR's 14th year, we rehomed 47 new dogs plus one dog from a previous year who needed to be rehomed again. We had 4 dogs still awaiting homes in kennels on 1st April 2024. During the year, 3 dogs were P.T.S. Two due to aggression issues and one elderly Springer with no quality of life. Our statistics for the year show that the average number of days each dog spent at kennels rose from 31 days to 46 days.

At the beginning of the year we had very little help at kennels and the kennels were extremely busy with boarders. Accessing some of the more difficult dogs and giving them some behavioural help to prepare them to be rehomed successfully was difficult. Getting dogs to the vets for health checks and treatment was also difficult due to the lack of volunteer help and the availability of appointments. Our finances were also hit with the expensive veterinary treatment needed by a puppy needing heart surgery. Also, two dogs needing costly dental treatment and two needing eye surgery.

All trustees and volunteers of the charity are unpaid helpers. Out of pocket expenses are paid to trustees and volunteers but in many cases these expenses are not reclaimed.

## **DOG CARE**

The Homing Officer works closely with the Chairman. Diana Harrison is largely responsible for the matching process to ensure each dog gets the right home. John Powell handles the home vetting of prospective new owners. They handle spaniel adoption and general enquiries received by the charity.

Mandy at Hardiwick Kennels can provide basic grooming. Some of the dogs that come to us are in such a mess we don't have any choice as we couldn't rehome them without being groomed.

In May Emma Downing appealed via Facebook for volunteers living close to the Kennels to become dog walkers for CAESSR. We had a good response and a reliable team was built. Some volunteers started to help take the dogs for Veterinary appointments. John Powell still attended Kennels to supervise adoptions. In January Emma started to help Diana Harrison with the matching of dogs to new homes.

## **VOLUNTEERS**

The charity is still more than ever reliant on volunteers to help with the work of CAESSR e.g. vetting new homes and helping with transport.

## **WORKING WITH OTHER CHARITIES**

We have established a good working relationship with many other dog rescue centres, sharing home checkers. We especially value our contacts with English Springer Spaniel Welfare. We have also made contact with a new Spaniel Rescue where one of the Trustees is a previous CAESSR adopter. We work closely with the City Dogs home in Stoke-on-Trent, who approach us to take unwanted and stray Spaniels that they can't rehome and shouldn't be destroyed.

## ADMINISTRATION AND ACCOUNTING

Accounts for the year 2023/24 have been completed by Lisa Guthrie and independently verified by William Thompson. This year we have continued to feel the effects of the national cost of living crisis seeing Veterinary fees reach an all-time high in the UK. We had a number of dogs which required major surgeries/operations upon having their health assessments. These really impacted our veterinary fee expenses and this has eaten away our current reserves. The charity ended the year with a deficit of -£13,394.11 (income £40,992.08 and Expenditure £54,386.19). This left total assets carried forward and ending balance for the year of just £2,617.26 of unrestricted funds, to be carried forward into the new fiscal year.

We aim to hold a minimum reserves level of £5,000, these funds are held to cover a minimum of a month's operational costs in the event of a loss of income, two months foster dog cover and to meet any unforeseen expenditure that may occur. This year, we experienced significant veterinary bills which ate into our reserves, bringing it below the minimum. We ran an Emergency Appeal for donations on 28/03/24 and conducted a 'going concern' evaluation 3 weeks later once we had the results of the appeal. We received an amazing response, our supporters donated over £12,000, which falls into the new fiscal year. We have also appointed a new fundraising team and made enquiries in the likely hood of securing grant funding to assist with the veterinary costs. Therefore, we concluded that it was appropriate to continue to adopt a going concern basis in preparing the financial statements which assumes that the charity will continue in operation for the foreseeable future. To bolster the reserves further, the Trustees have secured a grant to help with the Veterinary fees, receiving a further £3,500 within the new year. Veterinary charges will continue to be reviewed by Trustees each month and any large cases will be promoted via JustGiving and social media to help ensure costs are recovered, where possible.

Our main source of funds for 2023/24 has been through Adoption and general donations from our supporters. We use these funds to cover rehabilitation costs for the dogs in our care. The majority of income is applied to Veterinary treatment for the dogs in our care and kennelling fees.

The secretary for the charity undertakes all statutory issues relating to the charity. He also maintains the Charity's website and submits any Gift Aid claims.

## PUBLICITY

Facebook continues to grow in popularity and is a great resource to show the dogs we are anxious to rehome and brings in many donations and new volunteers.

## FUNDRAISING AND FUTURE PLANS

In this our fourteenth year, funds have been raised mainly by donation, Gift Aid and sponsored events held by supporters. We produced and sold a 2024 calendar and Christmas Cards, orders handled by Emma Downing. Very popular are sponsored events through the 'Just Giving' facility. Our Sponsor-a-Spaniel scheme is also being managed by Emma and we are looking to expand our fund raising.

The coming year we will be focusing on attainment of grant funding to assist the Charity with high veterinary costs. We will be adopting a new policy of pre-screening dogs before they arrive, to help budget/plan for the costings.

## ACTION PLAN FOR THE RECOVERY OF CAESSR

Since April 2024 after observations made by the Independent Examiner, CAESSR is now recovering well from the impact on our finances with the balances returning to pre-Covid levels. The financial help from our supporters and adopters has resulted in new regular

donations. The hard work of our new team has resulted in new fund raising ideas and action.

The new volunteer work at the kennels has had the effect of increasing the number of dogs being rehomed, hence more adoption/surrender donations have been received and the time each dog spends in kennels has helped to bring down the kennel bills.

The founder Trustees are advancing in years and are passing their skills on to the new younger team who are keen to take the Charity into the future. 2025 will be crucial to see if they are able to manage.

## **SIGNATURE AND DECLARATION**

I declare in my capacity of charity trustee that the trustees have approved the report above and have authorised me to sign it on their behalf.

Secretary

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ian K. Harrison". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "I".

Ian Harrison

## ACCOUNT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS	Note	2024 £	2023 £
<b>Incoming Resources</b>			
Donations and Gifts	2	28,392.19	31,618.31
Other income	3	12,599.89	9,764.64
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>		<b>40,992.08</b>	<b>41,382.95</b>
<b>Resources Expended</b>			
Direct Charitable Expenses	4	50,536.15	46,883.36
Fundraising and Publicity	5	1,807.92	1,687.08
Management and Administration	6	2,042.12	1,898.15
<b>Total Resources Expended</b>		<b>54,386.19</b>	<b>50,468.59</b>
<b>NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR</b>			
Net Movement in funds during the period	-	13,394.11	- 9,085.64
Balance brought forward at 1 April 2023		16,011.37	25,097.01
<b>Balance carried forward at 31 March 2024</b>		<b>2,617.26</b>	<b>16,011.37</b>

All the funds accumulated are classified as unrestricted

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and on a receipts and payments basis.

	2024	2023
<b>2. DONATIONS AND GIFTS</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Adoption donations	14,040.00	11,470.00
Surrender donations	1,300.00	1,885.00
Other donations and gifts	10,271.69	12,109.54
Gift Aid	2,780.50	6,153.77
Legacies	-	-
	<u>28,392.19</u>	<u>31,618.31</u>
<b>3. OTHER INCOME</b>		
Bank Interest/commission	9,101.14	6,771.64
Calendar/cards/promotional sales	3,498.75	2,993.00
Fundraise stamps	-	-
	<u>12,599.89</u>	<u>9,764.64</u>
<b>4. DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE</b>		
Veterinary Fees	33,622.56	31,218.31
Kennels	16,704.00	15,625.90
Training	-	-
Dog Food	209.59	-
Goodwill payments	-	39.15
Microchip supplies	-	-
Grooming costs	-	-
	<u>50,536.15</u>	<u>46,883.36</u>
<b>5. FUNDRAISING AND PUBLICITY</b>		
Newsletter and Calender postage	424.02	389.28
Calendar/Car sticker printing	1,383.90	1,297.80
Promotional items	-	-
Event costs / equipment	-	-
	<u>1,807.92</u>	<u>1,687.08</u>
<b>6. MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION</b>		
Website / Software	-	-
Stationery & Printing	384.33	239.20
Insurance	301.98	521.33
Transport	717.65	513.90
Sundry Expenses	9.99	0.10
Bank/Pay Pal/Just Giving Charges	600.88	572.70
Legal	-	-
Post	27.29	51.12
Security	-	-
	<u>2,042.12</u>	<u>1,898.15</u>

There are no wages costs as all personal services to the charity are carried out on a voluntary basis

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AS AT 31 MARCH 2024**

<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>£</b>
Cash at Co-Op Bank (Statement as at 31st March 2024)	2,079.63
Funds to be Banked	537.63
Less Cheques to be presented	0.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u><b>2,617.26</b></u>

**REPRESENTED BY:**

**FUNDS**

Unrestricted	<u><b>2,617.26</b></u>
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Approved by the Board of Trustees on 23/01/2025 and signed on its behalf by

Ian K. Harrison

Ian Harrison, Secretary

Ian Harrison, Secretary

Lisa Guthrie

Lisa Guthrie, Treasurer

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**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of  
"Cocker and English Springer Spaniel Rescue".**

We report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st March 2024, which are set out on pages 1 to 4.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 43 of the 1993 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 43 (7)(b) of the 1993 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's report**

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full 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 our examination no matter has come to our attention, which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 1993 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 Act

have not been met.

 B.Sc. FCMA GCMA

Name: W J Thompson

Relevant professional qualification or body: BSc, FCMA, GCMA

Address: 30 Rowley Hall Drive, Stafford, ST17 9FF

Date: 24<sup>th</sup> January, 2025

**COCKER AND ENGLISH SPRINGER SPANIEL RESCUE (CAESSR)**

England & Wales - Charity number 1137589

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# Accounts

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# COCKER AND ENGLISH SPRINGER SPANIEL RESCUE

## TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

Registered Charity Number 1137589

The Trustees' report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023

## CHARITY'S PRINCIPAL ADDRESS

The address of the Charity Secretary is:

C/o Old Mother Redcap

Duddon

Tarporley

Cheshire

CW6 OEL

## OBJECTIVES

The Rescue was set up in March 2010 with the aims of:

- Putting in place a network of volunteers and supporting procedures to facilitate the rehoming and rescue of Cocker and English Springer Spaniels.
- Where necessary, providing veterinary and training support for the dogs placed in our care.
- Providing on-going support for veterinary care where necessary in order to facilitate the rehoming of elderly or infirm dogs.
- Where appropriate, encouraging responsible owners to persevere with their problem dogs by providing information, advice, support and guidance.
- CAESSR was set up by John and Pat Powell and Ian and Di Harrison.

## ADVISERS

The principal advisers of the charity are:

### Banker

The Co-operative Bank

P.O. Box 250

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### Charity Setup

Clive Denny IP, F.C.A.

Apartment 2, Grange House

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## TRUSTEES AND GOVERNANCE

Cocker And English Springer Spaniel Rescue (CAESSR) is governed by its constitution that was adopted on 11<sup>th</sup> June 2010.

The Rescue became a Charity on 26<sup>th</sup> August 2010 and the trustees from that date are listed below:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>(Re)Appointed</b>	<b>Resigned</b>
John Powell	Chairman	16:01:2022	
Ian Harrison	Secretary	25:10:2020	
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Diana Harrison	Homing Officer	15:01:2023	
Lisa Guthrie	Treasurer	25:10:2020	
Emma Downing	Trustee	15:01:2023	

## **ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS**

CAESSR was initially set up to cover the Midlands, however, with our growing band of helpers, we are now able to re-home Cockers and Springers to most parts of the country.

Our main base is in Staffordshire. We use Hardiwick Kennels, which is a private Boarding Kennels. We have a block set aside for CAESSR dogs with an excellent staff member, who works closely with all the dogs and gets to know them. Most of our dogs are taken into these kennels for assessment before they are rehomed. All dogs with health problems are given any necessary veterinary treatment prior to rehoming.

In April 2022, the start of our thirteenth year, we were able to rehome 49 dogs. At the end of March 2023 we had 10 dogs in kennels awaiting homes.

Mandy, employed by Hardiwick Kennels, continues to be 'Mum' to all the dogs who come through kennels. We are so grateful for the interest she takes in them all. This helps so much to get the right new home for each dog. Mandy is able to administer medication, groom and clean up neglected dogs. She can also take photographs of the dogs for our records if necessary. Tony Pimblett has also been helping to take dogs for vet appointments.

Managing the update of Microchip data is very time consuming especially as we are currently having to deal with 13 different Microchip companies each with different systems. Breeders and new puppy owners are not registering Microchips as the Law requires. Owners are not keeping their contact details up-to-date. We are under an obligation to make sure that we are not rehoming a stolen dog.

"Cocker Rage" remains a great concern to CAESSR with John and Di turning away many dogs that are afflicted. We are beginning to rescue young Spaniels bought as puppies during the pandemic. Their owners now can't manage them due to their work commitments.

All trustees and volunteers of the charity are unpaid helpers. Out of pocket expenses are paid to trustees and volunteers but in many cases these expenses are not reclaimed.

## **DOG CARE**

The Homing Officer works closely with the Chairman. Diana Harrison is largely responsible for the matching process to ensure each dog gets the right home. John Powell handles the home vetting of prospective new owners. They handle spaniel adoption and general enquiries received by the charity.

John Powell supervises and co-ordinates our activities at the Kennels. Emma Downing is beginning to help with this and is attracting local volunteers to help with dog walking and activities.

Mandy at Hardiwick Kennels can provide basic grooming. Some of the dogs that come to us are in such a mess we don't have any choice as we couldn't rehome them without being groomed.

## **VOLUNTEERS**

The charity is still more than ever reliant on volunteers to help with the work of CAESSR. As it stands, we wish to thank the same old helpers who are there at the other end of the phone. But the same as last year, we desperately need new blood as we are not getting any younger.

## **WORKING WITH OTHER CHARITIES**

We have established a good working relationship with many other dog rescue centres, sharing home checkers. We work closely with the City Dogs home in Stoke-on-Trent, who approach us to take unwanted and stray Spaniels that they can't rehome and shouldn't be destroyed.

## **ADMINISTRATION AND ACCOUNTING**

Accounts for the year 2022/23 have been completed by Lisa Guthrie and independently verified by Zoe Lawton. They show total Income of £41,382.95 which was an increase from the prior year (£35k). Expenditure has also increased to £50,468.59 for the year, resulting in a deficit for this year of -£9,085.64. The total assets carried forward and ending balance for the year is £16,011.37, to be carried forward into the new fiscal year.

Of the £50,468.59 expenses, £46,883.36 are direct expenses, £1,687.08 are attributable to fundraising and the remaining £1,898.15 are management and administrative costs. This equates to an average monthly cost to the charity of £4,206 which has substantially this year. The main increase in costs was seen in the Veterinary and kennelling sections, where a number of dogs have required major surgeries/operations upon having their health assessments.

The secretary for the charity undertakes all statutory issues relating to the charity. He also maintains the Charity's website and submits any Gift Aid claims.

## **FUNDRAISING**

In this our thirteenth year, funds have been raised mainly by donation, Gift Aid and sponsored events held by supporters. We produced and sold a 2023 calendar and Christmas Cards, orders handled by Emma Downing. Very popular are sponsored events through the 'Just Giving' facility. Our Sponsor-a-Spaniel scheme is also being managed by Emma and we are looking to expand our fund raising. New volunteer Clair Statham has taken on the task of Fundraising and has attended several events and raised funds for CAESSR. She has also introduced a Recycling Scheme.

## **PUBLICITY**

Facebook continues to grow in popularity and is a great resource to show the dogs we are anxious to rehome and brings in many donations and new volunteers.

At the invitation of the Kennel Club John Powell and Emma Downing took a team of volunteers and their Spaniels to man the Discover Dogs stand at CRUFTS under the CAESSR banner. They were kept busy all day and the dogs behaved themselves very well and enjoyed all the fuss and attention.

## **SIGNATURE AND DECLARATION**

I declare in my capacity of charity trustee that the trustees have approved the report above and have authorised me to sign it on their behalf.

Secretary

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ian Harrison". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Ian Harrison

## ACCOUNT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS	Note	2023 £	2022 £
<b>Incoming Resources</b>			
Donations and Gifts	2	31,618.31	25,720.40
Other income	3	<u>9,764.64</u>	<u>9,881.54</u>
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>		<b><u>41,382.95</u></b>	<b><u>35,601.94</u></b>
 <b>Resources Expended</b>			
Direct Charitable Expenses	4	46,883.36	29,648.24
Fundraising and Publicity	5	1,687.08	1,718.54
Management and Administration	6	<u>1,898.15</u>	<u>3,010.16</u>
<b>Total Resources Expended</b>		<b><u>50,468.59</u></b>	<b><u>34,376.94</u></b>
 <b>NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR</b>			
Net Movement in funds during the period	-	9,085.64	1,225.00
Balance brought forward at 1 April 2022		25,097.01	23,872.01
Balance carried forward at 31 March 2023		<b><u>16,011.37</u></b>	<b><u>25,097.01</u></b>

All the funds accumulated are classified as unrestricted

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and on a receipts and payments basis.

	2023	2022
<b>2. DONATIONS AND GIFTS</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Adoption donations	11,470.00	11,020.00
Surrender donations	1,885.00	1,355.00
Other donations and gifts	12,109.54	12,075.40
Gift Aid	6,153.77	270.00
Legacies	-	1,000.00
	<b><u>31,618.31</u></b>	<b><u>25,720.40</u></b>
<b>3. OTHER INCOME</b>		
Bank Interest/commission	6,771.64	6,675.79
Calendar/cards/promotional sales	2,993.00	3,205.75
Fundraise stamps	-	-
	<b><u>9,764.64</u></b>	<b><u>9,881.54</u></b>
<b>4. DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE</b>		
Veterinary Fees	31,218.31	21,614.65
Kennels	15,625.90	7,958.10
Training	-	-
Dog Food	-	-
Goodwill payments	39.15	75.49
Microchip supplies	-	-
Grooming costs	-	-
	<b><u>46,883.36</u></b>	<b><u>29,648.24</u></b>
<b>5. FUNDRAISING AND PUBLICITY</b>		
Newsletter and Calender postage	389.28	250.00
Calendar/Car sticker printing	1,297.80	1,449.60
Promotional items	-	18.94
Event costs / equipment	-	-
	<b><u>1,687.08</u></b>	<b><u>1,718.54</u></b>
<b>6. MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION</b>		
Website / Software	-	144.00
Stationery & Printing	239.20	414.19
Insurance	521.33	521.33
Transport	513.90	1,128.15
Sundry Expenses	- 0.10	10.09
Bank/Pay Pal/Just Giving Charges	572.70	448.47
Legal	-	-
Post	51.12	43.93
Security	-	300.00
	<b><u>1,898.15</u></b>	<b><u>3,010.16</u></b>

There are no wages costs as all personal services to the charity are carried out on a voluntary basis

### STATEMENT OF ASSETS AS AT 31 MARCH 2023


CURRENT ASSETS	£
Cash at Co-Op Bank (Statement as at 31st March 2023)	16,011.37
Funds to be Banked	0.00
Less Cheques to be presented	0.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b><u>16,011.37</u></b>

### REPRESENTED BY:

### FUNDS

Unrestricted	<b><u>16,011.37</u></b>
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Approved by the Board of Trustees on .....27/01/2024.....and signed on its behalf by

  
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**Ian Harrison, Secretary**

**Ian Harrison, Secretary**

  
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**Lisa Guthrie, Treasurer**

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**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of**

**"Cocker and English Springer Spaniel Rescue"**

**For the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023.**

**Basis of independent examiner's report**

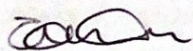
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**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention, which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

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Name: ZOE LAWTON

Relevant professional qualification or body: AAT

Address: 15 MOW LANE, CILLOW HEATH, STAFFORDSHIRE  
ST8 6QH

Date: 28/12/2023

**COCKER AND ENGLISH SPRINGER SPANIEL RESCUE (CAESSR)**

England & Wales - Charity number 1137589

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# Accounts

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# COCKER AND ENGLISH SPRINGER SPANIEL RESCUE

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Registered Charity Number 1137589

The Trustees' report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022

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Our main base is in Staffordshire. We use Hardiwick Kennels, which is a private Boarding Kennels. We have a block set aside for CAESSR dogs with an excellent staff member, who works closely with all the dogs and gets to know them. Most of our dogs are taken into these kennels for assessment before they are rehomed. All dogs with health problems are given any necessary veterinary treatment prior to rehoming. Our behaviourist, Karen Jennings, will visit problem dogs in the kennels and will also assist new owners with any problems they encounter when settling in their new dog.

In April 2021, the start of our twelfth year, we were slowly emerging from Covid and we were able to rehome 49 dogs – double the number we were able to rehome the previous year. At the end of March 2022 we had 4 dogs in kennels awaiting homes. The main emergency that we had in this period was in August when we agreed to take into our Rescue a cocker Spaniel “Bella” who had given birth to 10 puppies by emergency “C Section” as the owner couldn’t afford the vets bill. Sadly, Bella didn’t survive and the puppies were hand reared by the staff of Meir Park Veterinary Hospital. They were all found new homes.

Mandy, employed by Hardiwick Kennels, continues to be ‘Mum’ to all the dogs who come through kennels. We are so grateful for the interest she takes in them all. This helps so much to get the right new home for each dog. Mandy is able to administer medication, groom and clean up neglected dogs and is also now helping to take dogs to vet appointments when John is unable to. She can also take photographs of the dogs for our records if necessary. During this period, Mike Davies was a very committed dog walker for the charity. Tony Pimblett has also been helping to take dogs for vet appointments.

Managing the update of Microchip data is very time consuming especially as we are currently having to deal with 11 different Microchip companies each with different systems. Breeders and new puppy owners are not registering Microchips as the Law requires. Owners are not keeping their contact details up-to-date. We are under an obligation to make sure that we are not rehoming a stolen dog. Rules are different in Northern Ireland as we have recently discovered when we had three delightful female Cockers to rehome, who were born in Northern Ireland, but had passports issued by the Republic of Ireland. It took a lot of work for us to register them to CAESSR prior to their rehoming.

“Cocker Rage” remains a great concern to CAESSR with John and Di turning away many dogs that are afflicted.

All trustees and volunteers of the charity are unpaid helpers. Out of pocket expenses are paid to trustees and volunteers but in many cases these expenses are not reclaimed.

## **DOG CARE**

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## **ADMINISTRATION AND ACCOUNTING**

Accounts for the year 2021/22 have been completed by Lisa Guthrie and independently verified by Zoe Lawton. They show total Income of £35,601.94 which has decreased slightly from the prior year (£39k). We have now made it through the Covid-19 pandemic and although it did impact the charity when operations had to stop, in line with government requirements, we have made it through and come out the other side now. We have been able to get back to 'business as usual'. Expenditure was £34,376.94 for the year resulting in a small level surplus funds for this year of £1,225.00. The total assets carried forward and ending balance for the year is £25,097.01, to be carried forward into the new fiscal year.

Of the £34,376.94 expenses, £29,648.24 are direct expenses, £1,718.54 are attributable to fundraising and the remaining £3,010.16 are management and administrative costs. This equates to an average monthly cost to the charity of £2,864.74 which has risen slightly from last year. The main increase in costs was seen in the management and administration section. This is because we had the very concerning dog theft incident and we have spent £300 on CCTV for the Kennels. £118 on accounts package and £144 for a card reader machine.

The secretary for the charity undertakes all statutory issues relating to the charity. He also maintains the Charity's website and submits any Gift Aid claims.

## **FUNDRAISING**

In this our twelfth year, funds have been raised mainly by donation, Gift Aid and sponsored events held by supporters. We produced and sold a 2022 calendar and Christmas Cards, orders handled by Emma Downing. Very popular are sponsored events through the 'Just Giving' facility. Our Sponsor-a-Spaniel scheme is also being managed by Emma and we are looking to expand our fund raising. Special thanks to Michelle Blunt for her fundraising efforts in the early part of the year. Sadly she is no longer able to do this due to returning to working fulltime.

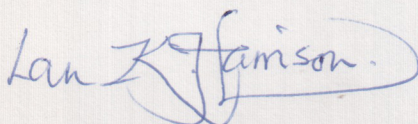
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Secretary

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ian Harrison". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial 'I'.

Ian Harrison

## ACCOUNT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS	Note	2022 £	2021 £
<b>Incoming Resources</b>			
Donations and Gifts	2	25,720.40	29,652.52
Other income	3	<u>9,881.54</u>	<u>10,118.86</u>
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>		<b><u>35,601.94</u></b>	<b><u>39,771.38</u></b>
 <b>Resources Expended</b>			
Direct Charitable Expenses	4	29,648.24	32,750.57
Fundraising and Publicity	5	1,718.54	1,916.92
Management and Administration	6	<u>3,010.16</u>	<u>2,263.39</u>
<b>Total Resources Expended</b>		<b><u>34,376.94</u></b>	<b><u>36,930.88</u></b>
 <b>NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR</b>			
Net Movement in funds during the period		1,225.00	2,840.50
Balance brought forward at 1 April 2021		23,872.01	21,031.51
Balance carried forward at 31 March 2022		<b><u>25,097.01</u></b>	<b><u>23,872.01</u></b>

All the funds accumulated are classified as unrestricted

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and on a receipts and payments basis.

	2022	2021
<b>2. DONATIONS AND GIFTS</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Adoption donations	11,020.00	5,585.00
Surrender donations	1,355.00	1,280.00
Other donations and gifts	12,075.40	14,309.59
Gift Aid	270.00	3,945.37
Legacies	1,000.00	4,532.56
	<b><u>25,720.40</u></b>	<b><u>29,652.52</u></b>
<b>3. OTHER INCOME</b>		
Bank Interest/commission	6,675.79	6,120.06
Calendar/cards/promotional sales	3,205.75	3,960.40
Fundraise stamps	-	38.40
	<b><u>9,881.54</u></b>	<b><u>10,118.86</u></b>
<b>4. DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE</b>		
Veterinary Fees	21,614.65	25,008.87
Kennels	7,958.10	7,172.40
Training	-	-
Dog Food	-	264.35
Goodwill payments	75.49	155.50
Microchip supplies	-	19.95
Grooming costs	-	-
Pet Bedding	-	9.50
Warm Water Tap for Kennels	-	120.00
	<b><u>29,648.24</u></b>	<b><u>32,750.57</u></b>
<b>5. FUNDRAISING AND PUBLICITY</b>		
Newsletter and Calendar postage	250.00	391.12
Calendar/Car sticker printing	1,449.60	1,525.80
Promotional items	18.94	-
Event costs / equipment	-	-
	<b><u>1,718.54</u></b>	<b><u>1,916.92</u></b>
<b>6. MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION</b>		
Website / Software	144.00	-
Stationery & Printing	414.19	211.45
Insurance	521.33	521.33
Transport	1,128.15	974.25
Sundry Expenses	10.09	-
Bank/Pay Pal/Just Giving Charges	448.47	475.97
Legal	-	-
Post	43.93	80.39
Security	300.00	-
	<b><u>3,010.16</u></b>	<b><u>2,263.39</u></b>

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

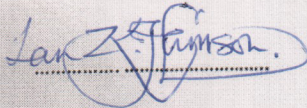
CURRENT ASSETS	£
Cash at Co-Op Bank (Statement as at 31st March 2022)	24,501.85
Funds to be Banked	595.16
Less Cheques to be presented	0.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u><b>25,097.01</b></u>

REPRESENTED BY:

FUNDS

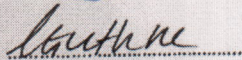
Unrestricted	<u>25,097.01</u>
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Approved by the Board of Trustees on 15/01/23 and signed on its behalf by



Ian Harrison, Secretary

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Lisa Guthrie, Treasurer

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**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of**

**"Cocker and English Springer Spaniel Rescue".**

We report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st March 2021, which are set out on pages 1 to 3.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 43 of the 1993 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 43 (7)(b) of the 1993 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's report**

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full 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 our examination no matter has come to our attention, which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 1993 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 Act

have not been met.



Name: ZOE LAWTON

Relevant professional qualification or body: AAT

Address: 15 MOW LANE, GILLOW MEATH, STAFFS, ST8 6QH

Date: 28/12/2022

**COCKER AND ENGLISH SPRINGER SPANIEL RESCUE (CAESSR)**

England & Wales - Charity number 1137589

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# Accounts

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# COCKER AND ENGLISH SPRINGER SPANIEL RESCUE

## TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

Registered Charity Number 1137589

The Trustees' report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021

## CHARITY'S PRINCIPAL ADDRESS

The address of the Charity Secretary is:

C/o Old Mother Redcap

Duddon

Tarporley

Cheshire

CW6 OEL

## OBJECTIVES

The Rescue was set up in March 2010 with the aims of:

- Putting in place a network of volunteers and supporting procedures to facilitate the rehoming and rescue of Cocker and English Springer Spaniels.
- Where necessary, providing veterinary and training support for the dogs placed in our care.
- Providing on-going support for veterinary care where necessary in order to facilitate the rehoming of elderly or infirm dogs.
- Where appropriate, encouraging responsible owners to persevere with their problem dogs by providing information, advice, support and guidance.
- CAESSR was set up by John and Pat Powell and Ian and Di Harrison.

## ADVISERS

The principal advisers of the charity are:

### Banker

The Co-operative Bank

P.O. Box 250

Skelmersdale

Lancashire

WNB 6WT

### Charity Setup

Clive Denny IP, F.C.A.

Apartment 2, Grange House

64 Clarendon Ave, Leamington Spa

Birmingham

CV32 4SA

## TRUSTEES AND GOVERNANCE

Cocker And English Springer Spaniel Rescue (CAESSR) is governed by its constitution that was adopted on 11<sup>th</sup> June 2010.

The Rescue became a Charity on 26<sup>th</sup> August 2010 and the trustees from that date are listed below:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>(Re)Appointed</b>	<b>Resigned</b>
John Powell	Chairman	16:01:2022	
Ian Harrison	Secretary	25:10:2020	
Pat Powell	Treasurer	26:08:2015	23:12:2015 (Dec'd)
Diana Harrison	Homing Officer	26:01:2020	
Lisa Guthrie	Treasurer	25:10:2020	

## **ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS**

CAESSR was initially set up to cover the Midlands, however, with our growing band of helpers, we are now able to re-home Cockers and Springers to most parts of the country.

Our main base is in Staffordshire. We use Hardiwick Kennels, which is a private Boarding Kennels. We have a block set aside for CAESSR dogs with an excellent staff member, who works closely with all the dogs and gets to know them. Most of our dogs are taken into these kennels for assessment before they are rehomed. All dogs with health problems are given any necessary veterinary treatment and if, necessary, they recover in one of the few foster homes that we have close to the kennels. Our behaviourist, Karen Jennings, will visit problem dogs in the kennels and will also assist new owners with any problems they encounter when settling in their new dog.

At the start of our 11<sup>th</sup> year in April 2020, we were already in COVID-19 lockdown. We had to curtail our activities and slow down as Hardiwick Kennels had to close. We were sad to lose Sadie and Jillian but Mandy took over the care of our CAESSR dogs and we were so grateful that the kennels stayed open for us. Mandy became "Mum" for those few dogs that had to stay with us for a long time. We wish to thank her for looking after them so well.

Other volunteers became key workers at the kennels to walk the dogs and to help Mandy. Katie and Tony Yates made some improvements by making the paddock more secure and provided an outside hot water tap to clean up muddy dogs! Thank-you Katie and Tony, and to all of those volunteers who helped during this period.

The number of dogs re-homed for this period was only 24 but we had 7 dogs still waiting for new homes at the end of the period. Four dogs were P.T.S. due to aggression or illness.

In the current year so far, we have re-homed 42 dogs with 2 dogs P.T.S. and sadly Bella who passed away after giving birth to 10 puppies. The puppies have been hand reared and successfully re-homed.

Going forward, "Cocker Rage" is a great concern to CAESSR and other rescues. The demand for Cocker Spaniels was high during lockdown. Rescues are being approached to take those who are showing aggression, guarding issues and have bitten.

All trustees and volunteers of the charity are unpaid helpers. Out of pocket expenses are paid to trustees and volunteers but in many cases these expenses are not reclaimed.

## **DOG CARE**

The Homing Officer works closely with the Chairman. Diana Harrison is largely responsible for the matching process to ensure each dog gets the right home. John Powell handles the home vetting of prospective new owners. They handle spaniel adoption and general enquiries received by the charity,

John Powell supervises and co-ordinates our activities at the Kennels.

Mandy at Hardiwick Kennels can provide basic grooming. Some of the dogs that come to us are in such a mess we don't have any choice as we couldn't rehome them without being groomed.

## **VOLUNTEERS**

We have a few longstanding volunteers who come regularly to walk the dogs in our kennels. We are hoping that their role can be expanded to assist John Powell in taking the dogs to the vets.

The charity is still more than ever reliant on volunteers to help with the work of CAESSR. As it stands, we wish to thank the same old helpers who are there at the other end of the phone.

But the same as last year we desperately need new blood as we are not getting any younger.

## **WORKING WITH OTHER CHARITIES**

We have established a good working relationship with many other dog rescue centres, sharing home checkers. We work closely with the City Dogs home in Stoke-on-Trent, who approach us to take unwanted and stray Spaniels that they can't rehome and shouldn't be destroyed.

## **ADMINISTRATION AND ACCOUNTING**

The collection of income, the payment of bills and recording of transactions into our books and records is handled by our Treasurer - Lisa Guthrie. She monitors our cash position and also prepared our annual accounts.

The Accounts show that Covid-19 has had a substantial impact on the Charity income. Notwithstanding, there was a small surplus of income over expenditure, but this was largely due to a bequest.

The secretary for the charity undertakes all statutory issues relating to the charity. He also maintains the Charity's website and submits any Gift Aid claims.

## **FUNDRAISING**

In this our eleventh year, funds have been raised mainly by donation, Gift Aid and sponsored events held by supporters. We produced and sold a 2021 calendar and Christmas Cards, orders handled by Emma Downing, and raised funds from used stamps. Very popular are sponsored events through the 'Just Giving' facility. Our Sponsor-a-Spaniel scheme is also being managed by Emma and we are looking to expand our fund raising in this area.

## **PUBLICITY**

Facebook continues to grow in popularity and is a great resource to show the dogs we are anxious to rehome and brings in many donations and new volunteers.

## **SIGNATURE AND DECLARATION**

I declare in my capacity of charity trustee that the trustees have approved the report above and have authorised me to sign it on their behalf.

Secretary

Ian Harrison

## ACCOUNT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS	Note	2021 £	2020 £
<b>Incoming Resources</b>			
Donations and Gifts	2	29,622.52	32,585.06
Other income	3	10,118.86	9,358.85
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>		<b><u>39,741.38</u></b>	<b><u>41,943.91</u></b>
<b>Resources Expended</b>			
Direct Charitable Expenses	4	32,750.57	40,889.43
Fundraising and Publicity	5	1,916.92	1,793.16
Management and Administration	6	2,263.39	3,502.00
<b>Total Resources Expended</b>		<b><u>36,930.88</u></b>	<b><u>46,184.59</u></b>
<b>NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR</b>			
Net Movement in funds during the period		2,810.50	- 4,240.68
Balance brought forward at 1 April 2020		21,031.51	25,272.19
Balance carried forward at 31 March 2021		<b><u>23,842.01</u></b>	<b><u>21,031.51</u></b>

All the funds accumulated are classified as unrestricted

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and on a receipts and payments basis.

	2021	2020
	£	£
<b>2. DONATIONS AND GIFTS</b>		
Adoption donations	5,585.00	15,035.00
Surrender donations	1,280.00	2,180.00
Other donations and gifts	14,279.59	13,557.41
Gift Aid	3,945.37	589.30
Legacies	4,532.56	1,223.35
	<b><u>29,622.52</u></b>	<b><u>32,585.06</u></b>
<b>3. OTHER INCOME</b>		
Bank Interest/commission	6,120.06	5,736.95
Calendar/cards/promotional sales	3,960.40	3,570.00
Fundraise stamps	38.40	51.90
	<b><u>10,118.86</u></b>	<b><u>9,358.85</u></b>
<b>4. DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE</b>		
Veterinary Fees	25,008.87	30,397.34
Kennels	7,172.40	10,416.60
Training	-	-
Dog Food	264.35	-
Goodwill payments	155.50	37.49
Microchip supplies	19.95	-
Grooming costs	-	38.00
Pet Bedding	9.50	-
Warm Water Tap for Kennels	120.00	-
	<b><u>32,750.57</u></b>	<b><u>40,889.43</u></b>
<b>5. FUNDRAISING AND PUBLICITY</b>		
Newsletter and Calendar postage	391.12	312.50
Calendar/Car sticker printing	1,525.80	1,415.66
Promotional items	-	-
Event costs / equipment	-	65.00
	<b><u>1,916.92</u></b>	<b><u>1,793.16</u></b>
<b>6. MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION</b>		
Website	-	-
Stationery & Printing	211.45	380.68
Insurance	521.33	521.33
Transport	974.25	1,980.54
Sundry Expenses	-	-
Bank/Pay Pal/Just Giving Charges	475.97	453.45
Legal	-	-
Post	80.39	166.00
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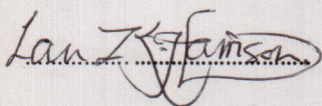
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>£</b>
Cash at Co-Op Bank (Statement as at 31st March 2021)	24,201.20
Funds to be Banked	131.58
Less Cheques to be presented	490.77
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**REPRESENTED BY:**

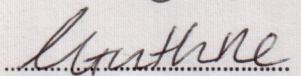
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Address: 15 MOW LANE, GILLOW HEATH, STAFFS

Date: 30/07/2021

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