

Charity number: 1138841

Kent Greyhound Rescue

Report of the Trustees and Unaudited Financial Statements

For the year ended 30 April 2022

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Statement on public benefit

The trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, including the guidance 'public benefit: running a charity (PB2)'.

Summary of the objective of the charity set out in the governing document

Our objectives are to rescue, rehabilitate and rehome ex racing greyhound and ex working lurchers. All the dogs in our care receive the necessary veterinary treatment and all dogs are neutered, vaccinated and micro chipped before they move into their new homes. All potential homes are vetted to ensure that each home is the right home for the dog they wish to adopt.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects

In setting our objectives and planning our activities, trustees have had regard to the Commission's public benefit guidance and it has been taken into account when making decisions to which the guidance is relevant.

Our work benefits many people in Kent, and further afield, who have a respect for animals, and greyhounds and lurchers in particular.

In normal times we attend events each weekend for 10 months of the year to promote KGR and fundraise. This year we have used social media for both fundraising - online auctions and raffles and for education and promotion.,

Welfare of animals is very important generally to the nation, as is the plight of the greyhound. The public appreciate the existence of charities such as ours, and the large numbers of ways to volunteer, as well as donating money, gives everyone the opportunity to be involved. The welfare and rehoming of our dogs is the priority of all of our dedicated volunteers. The dogs who come into the care of the charity receive all necessary veterinary treatment to relieve any suffering, they receive preventative treatments such as neutering, behavioural assessments and most of all care and love. We try to place as many dogs as possible into our foster care system so we have a full assessment. This enables us to match the dog to the prospective new family. Together these actions ensure that the future of the dogs is secured and that rehoming is successful.

The Kent Greyhound Rescue shop is making an increasingly large contribution to rescue funds. Given this success, it is expected that a larger proportion of our weekend activities can be focused on education and promoting the dogs, instead of fundraising.

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Report of the Trustees
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The Trustees have pleasure in presenting their report and the financial statements for the charity for the year ended 30 April 2022. The Trustees have adopted the provisions of 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 the Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Chair's report

This year Kent Greyhound Rescue has found permanent homes for 167 greyhounds and lurchers. Most of these dogs would have been euthanized if not brought into the rescue. 8% of dogs were returned to KGR, which is higher than previous year but still well below the industry average.

We continue to attract dedicated new volunteers who bring different experiences and expertise to Kent Greyhound Rescue. With the loss of Ian, we introduced some new procedures to spread the workload and our new volunteers have made this very successful.

KGR relies entirely on a dedicated band of volunteers who work together. We continue to have no paid staff and are very fortunate that our volunteers do not claim expenses, enabling us to keep our expenditure to a minimum. The volunteers give up their free time to, amongst other things, kennel appointments, transport the dogs, homecheck, fundraise, dog walk and do administration. The volunteers fundraise from March to December, hold dog shows and attend local events. This has raised our public profile locally and helped with fundraising, support and homing.

KGR always looks for processes to become more automated and less repetitive. As the charity grows, simple / clear procedures that can be quickly understood and implemented by volunteers will be a distinct advantage.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

Objective: Our objectives are to rescue, rehabilitate and rehome ex racing greyhounds and ex working lurchers. All the dogs in our care receive the necessary veterinary treatment and all dogs are neutered, vaccinated and micro chipped before they move into their new homes. All potential homes are visited to ensure that each home is the right home for the dog they wish to adopt.

Additional details of objectives and activities

KGR relies entirely on a dedicated band of volunteers, who work together to enable the charity to rescue, rehabilitate and rehome the dogs in our care. Volunteers undertake all the tasks necessary to operate a successful rescue, including:

Volunteers have worked hard to develop the Kent Greyhound Rescue Online Shop, which now has an excellent reputation for reasonably priced, good quality products. It is supported by our adopters, and on-line visitors to the website. The stocked products have been chosen as a result of our own experiences with greyhounds and lurchers and meet the specific needs of these dogs. We intend to build on this success by investing in the shop to make management of stock and process more efficient. Improvements will include the use of stock control software, and the design of a faster and easier shopping experience. It is hoped that in the future the charity will be able to rely less on weekend fundraising, so that events can be re-focused towards more education activities and promotion of the dogs.

Education and promotion: Our usual meet and greets were all cancelled due to Covid this year so we switched to online education and created our muzzle up Campaign.

Transport: We rely on volunteers to collect dogs needing rescue, transporting dogs to vets for care and neutering, transporting dogs to events and bringing equipment to events.

Homechecking: Volunteers undertake to visit the homes of people wishing to rehome dogs. This is an opportunity to confirm a home is suitable, discuss lifestyle implications of owning a dog and ensure identification is confirmed.

Administration: Volunteers are also responsible for general administration. This covers a huge range of tasks, including maintaining the database, answering enquiries, paying bills and coordinating events.

Fostering: As many of the dogs as possible are placed in foster homes. This has many advantages for the charity. The dog can be assessed in the home and be exposed to all the new sights and sounds of a new life away from kennels. It also releases kennel space and assists the rehoming process through toilet training the dog.

None of the volunteers receive any form of remuneration or claim expenses, which allows KGR to keep expenditure as low as possible. KGR are extremely grateful to all of the volunteers who help with the general running of the charity in whatever capacity, as without them we would not be able to save the lives of 179 dogs per annum.

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Volunteers

Our volunteers can be inundated with non-essential queries and requests to help with dogs not currently the responsibility of Kent Greyhound Rescue. This is very time consuming and interferes with the day to day running of the charity. Unfortunately there are never enough rescue spaces. To reduce the amount of time spent on these enquiries we have increased the amount of advice given online either on the website or on social media.

Our volunteers work from home in different geographical locations which create many organisational issues. We are working on solutions to save volunteer time and make volunteering for KGR more time efficient and enjoyable.

Fund-raising: Our volunteers fundraise every weekend for 10 months of the year, holding street collections or managing stalls at numerous venues. These range from village fetes, to large exhibition centres. We now organise 3 well supported dog shows each year, at our won dog show, which are also a popular and successful part of our fundraising calendar. We also organise dogs show as part of larger events such as Tractorfest and The Chilham Horse Trails.

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Education and promotion: 'Meet and Greet' and organised kennel dog walks in different locations across the County provide an excellent opportunity for people to come along and meet some of our dogs. This also proves to be an excellent opportunity to educate people on greyhound and lurchers, promote the advantages of rehoming a rescued adult dog and to give general welfare information.

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Significant activities

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

This year Kent Greyhound Rescue has found permanent homes for 169 greyhounds and lurchers. Most of these dogs would have been euthanized if not brought into the rescue. 4% of dogs were returned to KGR, which is lower than previous year and still well below the industry average.

We are still very proud to be a 100% volunteer-based charity, with no paid staff.

We have now completed work on refurbishing a large barn, which is now a functioning storage area for our online shop. This meant we could increase our lines, keep more stock and therefore increase profits. KGR paid for some of the refit - but continues to use the barn for free including not paying for electricity and water.

Our existing website has many problems so we have started to design a new site which will be much more effective.

Another challenge has been the large number of people who purchased a lurcher puppy from a breeder during lockdown and now want it to come into rescue. Towards the end of the year, we were receiving requests weekly. In general, these young dogs have had very little training and socialisation and are very time intensive to rehabilitate.

Our 2nd challenge big this year was Brexit. We import greyhounds from Ireland and as we approached the end of 2020 there were no clear guidelines as to how that import procedure would work and therefore the dogs were at risk. The dogs we import are in general the ones that were bred to be part of the UK racing industry but:

- who failed to be good enough
- Or were older ex breeding dogs.
- Or dogs with injuries. We paid almost £40,000 to vets to have damaged legs repaired.

We took the decision to accept more than our normal number of dogs into KGR before Brexit to remove the risk. In the end we were back to importing under the new DEFRA rules in February.

Our adoption process is now paper and plastic free, benefiting the environment and saving us a considerable amount of money as we are not producing adoption packs - we send everything by email. We are now looking to make the shop paper free by sending the packing slip by email and we are looking into recycled plastic for the postal bags.

We continue to use social media to promote KGR, our dogs, greyhounds and lurchers in general and encourage people to adopt a dog and visit our website. We now have 14,000 followers on facebook and are working towards increasing numbers on Instagram, Youtube and our own online blog. We aim to increase our online presence as it is a very cheap and effective form of advertising and connecting with our community.

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Trustees

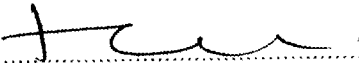
The trustees and officers serving during the year and since the year end were as follows:

Julie Graham (Trustee)
Steve McCarthy (Chairman)

Independent examiner

James Pellatt Accountant
29 Plain Road
Folkestone
Kent
CT20 2QF

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by


..... 17 April 2023
Julie Graham (Director)

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Statement of Financial Activities
For the year ended 30 April 2022

| | Notes | Unrestricted funds £ | 2021 £ |
|------------------------------------|-------|----------------------------|------------------|
| Income and endowments from: | | | |
| Donations and legacies | 2 | 39,132 | 105,621 |
| Charitable activities | 3 | 3,116 | 7,481 |
| Other trading activities | 4 | 100,829 | 85,304 |
| Investments | 5 | - | 17 |
| Total | | 143,077 | 198,423 |
| Expenditure on: | | | |
| Raising funds | 6 | (182,913) | (71,442) |
| Charitable activities | 7/8 | - | (135,897) |
| Total | | (182,913) | (207,339) |
| Net expenditure | | (39,836) | (8,916) |
| Reconciliation of funds | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | | 92,413 | 89,009 |
| Total funds carried forward | | 52,577 | 80,093 |

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Statement of Financial Position
As at 30 April 2022

| | Notes | 2022 £ | 2021 £ |
|--|-------|---------------|---------------|
| Current assets | | | |
| Cash at bank and in hand | | 52,577 | 80,093 |
| | | 52,577 | 80,093 |
| Net current assets | | 52,577 | 80,093 |
| Total assets less current liabilities | | 52,577 | 80,093 |
| Net assets | | 52,577 | 80,093 |
| The funds of the charity | | | |
| Unrestricted income funds | 11 | 52,577 | 80,093 |
| Total funds | | 52,577 | 80,093 |

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board and signed on its behalf by:



Julie Graham (Trustee)

Trustee

17 April 2023

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Notes to the Financial Statements
For the year ended 30 April 2022

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for investments which are included at market value and the revaluation of certain fixed assets and 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 (FRS 102), and the Charities Act 2011.

Kent Greyhound Rescue meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

Going concern

After making the appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in accounting policies.

Taxation

No taxation is due as HMRC published regulations state no tax is due on money raising activities including trading, which are exclusively to finance Kent Greyhound Rescue's (prime) objective as stated in "objectives". Neither Trustees or Volunteers are paid or receive payment for out of pocket expenses.

2. Income from donations and legacies

| | 2022 £ | 2021 £ |
|---------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | |
| Donations received | 39,132 | 105,621 |
| | 39,132 | 105,621 |

3. Income from charitable activities

| | 2022 £ | 2021 £ |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Unrestricted funds | | |
| <i>Activity 1</i> | | |
| Income from charitable activities | 3,116 | 7,481 |

4. Income earned from other activities

| | 2022 £ | 2021 £ |
|---------------------------|----------------|---------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | |
| Shop income | 100,829 | 85,304 |
| | 100,829 | 85,304 |

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5. Investment income

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|--|------|------|
| | £ | £ |

| | | |
|--------------------------|---|----|
| Bank interest receivable | - | 17 |
| | - | 17 |

6. Expenditure on other trading activities

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|--|------|------|
| | £ | £ |

Unrestricted funds

| | | |
|---------------------|----------------|---------------|
| Fund raising events | 182,913 | 71,442 |
| | 182,913 | 71,442 |

7. Costs of charitable activities by fund type

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|--|------|------|
| | £ | £ |

| | | |
|------------|---|---------|
| Activity 1 | - | 135,897 |
|------------|---|---------|

8. Costs of charitable activities by activity type

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|--|------|------|
| | £ | £ |

| | | |
|------------|---|---------|
| Activity 1 | - | 135,897 |
|------------|---|---------|

9. Particulars of employees

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|--------------|------|------|
| No Employees | 0 | 0 |
| | 0 | 0 |

10. Comparative for the Statement of Financial Activities

The comparative year values on the Statement of Financial Activities are for unrestricted funds.

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11. Movement in funds

Unrestricted Funds

| | Balance at 01/05/2021 £ | Incoming resources £ | Outgoing resources £ | Balance at 30/04/2022 £ |
|----------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <i>General</i> | | | | |
| General Fund | 92,413 | 143,077 | (182,913) | 52,577 |
| | 92,413 | 143,077 | (182,913) | 52,577 |

Unrestricted Funds - Previous year

| | Balance at 01/05/2020 £ | Incoming resources £ | Outgoing resources £ | Balance at 30/04/2021 £ |
|----------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <i>General</i> | | | | |
| General Fund | 89,909 | 198,423 | (207,339) | 80,993 |
| | 89,909 | 198,423 | (207,339) | 80,993 |

Purpose of unrestricted Funds

General Fund

To re-home and rescue Greyhounds

12. Analysis of net assets between funds

| | Net current assets / (liabilities) £ | Net Assets £ |
|---------------------------|---|-----------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | |
| <i>General</i> | | |
| General Fund | 52,577 | 52,577 |
| | 52,577 | 52,577 |

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Previous year

| Net current assets / (liabilities) £ | Net Assets £ |
|---|-----------------|
|---|-----------------|

Unrestricted funds

General

| | |
|--------|--------|
| 80,093 | 80,093 |
|--------|--------|

General Fund

| | |
|---------------|---------------|
| 80,093 | 80,093 |
|---------------|---------------|

Kent Greyhound Rescue
Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
For the year ended 30 April 2022

| | 2022 £ | 2021 £ |
|------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| INCOME AND ENDOWMENT | | |
| Donations and legacies | | |
| Donations | 63,132 | 105,621 |
| | 63,132 | 105,621 |
| Charitable activities | | |
| Income from charitable activities | 3,116 | 7,481 |
| | 3,116 | 7,481 |
| Other trading activities | | |
| Shop income | 76,829 | 85,304 |
| | 76,829 | 85,304 |
| Investments | | |
| Bank interest receivable | - | 17 |
| | - | 17 |
| Total incoming resources | 143,077 | 198,423 |
| EXPENDITURE | | |
| Other trading activities | | |
| Fund raising events costs | (182,913) | (71,442) |
| | (182,913) | (71,442) |
| Charitable activities | | |
| Cost of direct charitable activity | - | (135,897) |
| | - | (135,897) |
| Total resources expended | (182,913) | (207,339) |
| Net Expenditure | (39,836) | (8,916) |