

RESCUE REMEDIES DOG RESCUE
REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST OCTOBER 2024

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST OCTOBER 2024

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The Trustees of the charity submit their report and financial statements for the period ending 31st October 2024. The Trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued in March 2005 in preparing the report and financial statements of the charity.

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

FULL NAME OF CHARITY RESCUE REMEDIES DOG RESCUE

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER 1139407

COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER 7410743

GOVERNING DOCUMENT Memorandum and Articles of Association

TRUSTEES

Lynne da Costa (Founder & Chair)
Colin Biggs
Cora McLaren

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STRUCTURES, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The charity is a charitable company limited by guarantee and was incorporated under the Companies Act 2006 on 18th October 2010. Charitable status was gained on 21st December 2010.

The company operates throughout the UK.

The voluntary Trustees run the Charity with the assistance of voluntary Operational Leads. The Trustees make all decisions on any expenditure and set the strategic direction for the Charity. The Operational Leads take responsibility for the engagement and education of the public. They devise and revise policies and procedures, training and supervision a wide network of volunteers and adjacent organisations. Volunteer roles incl. dog walkers; cat cuddlers; administrators; fosterers; transporters; home checkers and fundraisers.

The Charity continues to cover a specific brief and mission including the following principal activities:

1. **Saving Death-Row dogs:** Rescuing abandoned dogs from council pounds where their lives are due to end and similarly from vets, members of public, police, social workers, and other Rescues where a dog is due to lose their lives.
2. **Saving abandoned Cats:** Rescuing abandoned cats from animal welfare officers, vets, other cat rescues, public and social services. We play a key role is assisting controlling feral colonies populations and neuter all received cats and kittens over 2 kilograms under our Vets guidance..
3. **Education:** This is to equip owners to retain their animals e.g. counselling owners on breed attributes and enabling them to understand and support their animal or at least safely hold until we can take them in. We offer advice to Vet staff and others caretaking animals and trying to find placement to accommodate 'issues' and 'incidents' with deeper understanding. We play a key role in educating our audience on the risks of "off-lead management of dogs" and offer key reasons why ON-LEAD is the responsible path to follow.
4. **Assess intake and facilitating adaptation and trust skills:** Assessing animals taken into our care and placing them appropriately within kennels, cattery and foster facilities to suit, and prepare them for their family /forever homes. Developing our animal's self-confidence, social skills and trust within many varied settings. We pride ourselves on investing in Feral cats and enabling them to become homeable.
5. **Addressing health needs:** Neutering all our dogs (exception of young puppies) to ensure no Rescue Remedies animals are used for breeding and retains pet status for the future. Meeting animal's health needs promptly. We rarely offer Peace (euthanasia) and always under our vet's guidance.
6. **Matching animals to suitable families:** Counselling families on responsible ownership and matching them with suitable animals to meet their lifestyle needs, or delay taking on a pet at this stage. Ensuring receiving families have sufficient funds and able to meet welfare needs and skill deficits. Providing back up for life for Rescue Remedies animals.
7. **Raising Funds to finance our Service:** Fundraising through our charity events shows, campaigns, grants, and appeals.

Mission Statement: "Finding dogs their forever homes"

Rescue Remedies is the Rescue so many front line organisations turn to, to save animals other Rescues may be unwilling or unable to help.

- Pound dogs without histories and poor health profiles;
- Large breeds;
- Multiple cats;
- Dogs impounded by the police that need moving within days;
- Abandoned pets in boarding facilities unvaccinated or conditions which need specialist care regime or operations.
- Working terriers, which can be described as 'wired'

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Easier pets so often are filtered into other receiving Rescues or privately homed. The ones left come knocking on Rescue Remedies' door. Our animals take longer to prepare for and find home as their needs are complex or families need suitable experience to support them. Rescue Remedies organise fundraising initiatives to support our work.

All animals are neutered (unless medically advised against) and other medical needs met e.g. dentals. Rescue Remedies at minimum, start a vaccination course. All receive a 7 day Panacur course on entry. All are microchipped and records adjusted for up-to-date information when in our care. We have access to the various microchip databases and change details upon homing. Flea treatment is administered as judged necessary. Foster and Forever Homes are strictly vetted to ensure the safety and security of our dogs' / cats' welfare and future to ensure responsible ownership. We use Caring4canines boarding establishment in Surrey to care for our dogs and cats which has good facilities, fully available to volunteers. We also have used an overspill private emergency kennels to enable us to save lives. Foster places are used also and we do direct homings "Home to Home".

Rescue Remedies does not pass dogs to other Rescues, but we do receive from other Rescues where dogs' lives are threatened. We stand by our dogs for life and take back should their homing break down.

We are principally an online Rescue with all forms submitted online and interviews via telephone and home checks via a standard video format, Google Earth and Vet and Facebook checks. Our Homing Questionnaire, once completed, captures expectations, skills, lifestyle and circumstances.

We promote positive approaches and methods towards animals by providing appropriate care, protection, treatment, safe environments, and security. In setting our objectives and planning our activities the Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charities Commission's guidance on public benefit.

EDUCATION AND WELFARE

Rescue Remedies is one of the few Rescues who insist on our rehomed dogs being kept **"On lead for life"**. We educate on this on all our internet platforms. We promote six safety and security reasons:

- Public Respect
- Dog Theft
- Unsupported encounters
- Dog meeting Dog
- Human Contact and risk in public
- Road accidents

Counselling on understanding breed traits is provided, especially terriers, staffies and American bulldogs. We offer free counselling via our enquiries/ contact emails and telephone line. Our Intake Team offer families who are trying to give their dog up and can have a new lease of heart once they accept breed traits and management keys.

Rescue Remedies continues to work closely with many police forces accepting dogs that have been the subject of cruelty cases and those surrendered or seized as prisoner property.

FUNDRAISING

Fundraising continues to be mainly through our reputation and known supports, and through our donations upon homings. Standing orders remain our bedrock, and Pets at Home (through the local Redhill and East Grinstead stores) allow us to raise funds and hold events. Locals supporters who donate regularly; all contributions are valued greatly.

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DEVELOPMENT, ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS.

STATISTICS

Resident Animals in our care

01/11/23: 89 dogs on our books 73 dogs in kennels, 16 in foster or Own homes. 12 Cats

31/10/24: 91 dogs on our books 77 dogs in kennels 15 in foster or Own homes. 22 Cats

During 2023/24 Year Rescue Remedies took in 153 dogs and 118 cats. We successfully rehomed 141 dogs and 115 cats during the last financial year. Intake is always carefully matched against homings to maintain equivalence.

We are specialists in Terriers and Bull breeds dogs. Our main intakes are from pounds, the police and vets. We take many breed types other Rescues refuse. These dogs take longer to accurately assess, and they first need to build skills and trust, often having come from dysfunctional families. We match with appropriate families and place in responsible families who will retain our dogs on-lead outside the home all their lives. The public are increasingly intolerant to free running dogs and there are increasing control orders issued. Theft and blackmail is on the increase. Cats now have to be chipped by law and road deaths are now reportable and owners notified which is a significant improvement.

YEARLY REVIEW & LOOKING FORWARD - THE CHARITIES OBJECTIVES

INTAKE: Never has the pressure been so intense to save dogs and cats lives hence we have **chosen** needed to use Emergency Kennels.

VET COSTS: UK Rescues have experienced soaring vet costs. Dogs are being abandoned by families due to injury, illness, or necessary expensive procedures. Rescues have had to hesitate or refuse to take dogs in, due to the associated vet costs. The pounds are unable to secure rescue places, and the intense role and dedication of 'Pound Pullers' has become vital in enabling dogs to seek refuge in emergency kennels and rescues able to take them. Stray cats and new stray colonies have become widespread, and homes where the cat population has got out of control are more common. Waiting lists for rescue have made it unfeasible for families to wait, so there have been many more private homing's, and abandoned animals. Our phone and enquiries emails are incessant with pleas for help. Rescue Remedies has continued to help as many death row dogs and cats as we can.

SHORT TERM OBJECTIVES

- Education on the realities of Rescue to all the stakeholders:
 - Volunteers through setting up a Rescue WhatsApp group for our dogs and our cats.
 - Liaison and exchange with agencies responsible for referrals: Vets, Social Services, Housing, Hospitals and behaviourists.
 - Dialogue with registered dog and cat sitters, dog walkers, field hire owners.
 - Community days for local companies grasping the principals of Rescue by attending organised days for e.g. Abracon, Lingfield College, Thames Water
 - Donors as they arrive with gifts or approach us with fundraising ideas.
- Continue to improve facilities for dogs' and cats' enrichment

MEDIUM / LONG TERM OBJECTIVES

- Personalise response to telephone enquirers to ensure even where we cannot help we offer advice and empathy for their circumstance: Prompted by the inability to meet demand.
- Continue to write The Rescuer's Diary on the Forum which is very well received. It is both engaging and educational with an ever increasing and **diverse** audience.
- Fundraising drives and active Zoom groups to generate enthusiasm and secure much needed funds.

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RESCUE REMEDIES DOG RESCUE STRATEGIC PLAN

Management and Governance

Trustees continue to uphold the Gold Seal standards within our Rescue. The ethics and ethos held to our Gold Seal standards led by the founder and managerial director and all operational leads. Rescue Remedies continues to enjoy a strong footing and respect within the Rescue world.



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Patterdaleterrierescue

Unique Gold Seal Pledge to our dogs and cats

- Never exploited by breeding:
- Transparent information shared:
- Backup for entire life:
- Donations maximised to solely benefit our animals :
- Committed Volunteers as givers:
- Responsible Guardianship Management:
- Peace offered only where in animal's best interests never on economics:

We try to promote new avenues of income to optimise goodwill and generate funds.

We use regularly inspected licensed kennels and catteries.

Operational roles within the Rescue are held by people who have been part of our Rescue for over 10 years and are professional in their delivery of roles.

The Trustees are supported by a robust management structure.

The greatest assets in our rescue work continue to be our dogs, cats and our volunteers.

Trustees manage financial forecasts to project into the future.

The Directors/ Board of Trustees have identified ongoing objectives that work towards our long-term vision. These objectives focus on both operational and organisational issues and are shown below.

Key Objectives and Aims		2023/24
1	Financial security: Within the context of rapidly increasing costs, reduced income through fewer homings and turnover. Active fundraising group within our volunteer base and promote Standing Order uptake	Different initiatives tried to continue to optimise funds to the full. For example Use of St Pauls Vet, as our Cats qualify for neutering and chipping vouchers. Our Rescue activity proves <u>so needed</u> by so many abandoned animals.
2.	Social Media used positively to reach out and promote our animals and enthuse the public to consider Rescue as their option for choosing a new companion.	Social Media Leads: WhatsApp group supports each other and rationalises responses e.g. Troll activity occurs or disgruntled applications haven't accepted we were unable to match

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3	Risk Assessments to optimise immediate response to any revision with our Dog and Cat's management.	Renaming our Risk assessments and operational guide "Dog Safety Notes" and continuing to keep them up-to-date with use of QR scanner with paper notes as backup
4	Risk Assessment training for outings for Dog Walkers to ensure all aspects of thought through and the right dogs are expose to ventures which is within their scope.	Volunteers educated to think through the planning and operations issues and to read dog's body language and curtail or enhance the activity in subsequent ventures. For example mode of retaining them within the vehicle.
5	Opening up scope for disabled people and youth volunteers in a managed way. Liaise with various supported organisations and ventures	Together with a Mental Health Establishment we facilitated an offender with tight liaison as a cat cuddler as part of their rehab. Parent and Disabled young adult attended and now receives support from aware volunteers "Buddies" during their weekly attendance with carefully chosen dogs. Children with parents in cat cuddling.
6	Optimise new volunteers' enthusiasm supporting their maturation of skills, ensuring they are embedded within our Rescue feeling welcomed and tooled to step forward.	Cohesive relationships between experienced and new walkers and Staff. Education through information shared and feedback of which observations are red flag as opposed to assumed normal for that animal or that species. Supportive activity to enhance visits to the site.
7	Good health controls and promotion	7 days panacur given to all new dogs to eliminate Worms, Lungworm and Giardia. Weekly Body Scores and dietary adjustment with Weight management programme for any dog underweight or over weight

RISK ASSESSMENT

The Directors/Trustees visit the risks to the organisation and systems and controls are in place to manage these risks.

1. **Release forms** to provide clear legal handover of surrendered dogs.
2. **Assessment** period and process for dogs rehomed by Charity/ Company.
3. **Homing Team** revised to apply less stresses held.
4. **Foster agreements and guidelines.**
5. **Dog Safety Notes and QR coded for immediacy**
6. **Walkers Handbook completely rewritten and updated**
7. **Homing and Home checking procedures** updated.
8. **Disclaimers and Neutering declarations** given on Homings where necessary.
9. **Transporting guidelines.**
10. **Adoption agreements** including specific rehoming requirements for each dog or cat.
11. **Public Indemnity Insurance.**
12. **Incident reporting** collated into dog and cat risk notes.
13. **Standard Operating Procedures** Review of the financial systems
14. **Complaints procedure (Draft)**
15. **Social Media Policy (Draft)**
16. **Data protection** procedures aligned with the requirements of the GDPR
17. **Operational risks analysis** of the associated with COVID, Kennel Cough and Giardia and ensuring adequate protection measures are in place aligned with official advice.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves & Investment Policy

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We have very little reserves, which is a concern and we have survived with the onslaught of circumstances i.e. drop off in homing rate. A supportive relationship with our kennel partners remains vital in our work. We aim to create a more substantial reserve. We are under constant pressure to save dogs' and cats' lives and funds available are utilised to support this aim. We have another hard year ahead to ensure we succeed in this aim, building our standing order support will enable us to create stability and this continues to be the bedrock of our financial state.

The Trustees continue to receive no emoluments.

Conclusion

The Trustees are satisfied with the financial position of the charity, noting its fragility at times and regularly review this position and take actions accordingly. There is an increasing reliance on legacies to support the financial sustainability of the Rescue, with day to day fundraising being challenging in the UK economic conditions. In order to continue to meet our objectives a future increase in income will be required. A sustainable fundraising strategy will continue to be developed.

Approved by the Current Trustees on 27th November 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

Lynne da Costa
Managing Director Chair

Colin Biggs
Financial Director

Cora McLaren
Secretary Director

In reporting on the accounts of the Trust for the year ending 31 October 2024.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and examiners

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 my responsibility to:

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1. Examine the accounts under section 43 of the 1993 Act
2. to follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commissioner under section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 Act; and
3. to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Trustees' statements required by section 475(2) and (3) for period ending 31 October 2024.

In approving these financial statements as Trustees/Directors of the company we hereby confirm:

- (A) For the period stated above the Company was entitled to the exemption conferred by section 477 of the Companies Act 2006
- (B) No notice has been deposited at the registered office of the company pursuant to section 476 requesting that an audit be conducted for the period ending 31 October 2024 and
- (C) We acknowledge our responsibilities for:
 1. Ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 386.
 2. Preparing financial statements which give a true and fair of the state of the company as at the end of the financial period and of its profit and loss for the year that ended in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the provisions of the Companies Act relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with the special provisions in part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (Effective April 2008).

The Trustees did not receive any emoluments during the year.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 23rd November 25

Trustee

Lynne Da Costa

Rescue Remedies Dog Rescue Accountant's Report For The Year Ended 31 October 2024

Report to the directors on the preparation of the unaudited statutory accounts of Rescue Remedies Dog Rescue for the year ended 31 October 2024

To assist you to fulfil your duties under the Companies Act 2006, I have prepared for your approval the accounts of Rescue Remedies Dog Rescue which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes, from the company's accounting records and from information and explanations you have given us.

As a practising member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, we are subject to its ethical and other professional requirements which are detailed at <http://www.accaglobal.com/en/member/professional-standards/rules-standards/acca-rulebook.html>.

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This report is made to the directors of Rescue Remedies Dog Rescue , as a body, in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter dated 08 October 2016. Our work has been undertaken solely to prepare for your approval the accounts of Rescue Remedies Dog Rescue and state those matters that we have agreed to state to the directors of Rescue Remedies Dog Rescue , as a body, in this report in accordance with the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants as detailed at http://www.accaglobal.com/content/dam/ACCA_Global/Technical/fact/technical-factsheet-163.pdf. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than Rescue Remedies Dog Rescue and its directors as a body for our work or for this report.

It is your duty to ensure that Rescue Remedies Dog Rescue has kept adequate accounting records and to prepare statutory accounts that give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of Rescue Remedies Dog Rescue . You consider that Rescue Remedies Dog Rescue is exempt from the statutory audit requirement for the year.

We have not been instructed to carry out an audit or a review of the accounts of Rescue Remedies Dog Rescue. For this reason, we have not verified the accuracy or completeness of the accounting records or information and explanations you have given to us and we do not, therefore, express any opinion on the financial statements.

30/08/25

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	2024	2023
	£	£
TURNOVER	359,880	264,375
Cost of raw materials and consumables	(340,689)	(244,243)
Other charges	(4,883)	(3,645)
NET PROFIT	14,308	16,487

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Rescue Remedies Dog Rescue
Balance Sheet
As At 31 October 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
Current assets	127,708	97,299
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year	(33,887)	(20,581)
 NET CURRENT ASSETS	 93,821	 76,718
 TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	 93,821	 76,718
 Accruals and deferred income	 (3,058)	 (263)

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NET ASSETS	90,763	76,455
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CAPITAL AND RESERVES	90,763	76,455
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Notes

1. General Information

Rescue Remedies Dog Rescue is a private company, limited by shares, incorporated in England & Wales, registered number 07410743 . The registered office is The Dog House Hathersham Lane, Smallfield, Horley, RH6 9JG.

2. Average Number of Employees

Average number of employees, including directors, during the year was: NIL (2023: NIL)

For the year ending 31 October 2024 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the micro-entity provisions.

On behalf of the board

Mrs Linda Da Costa

Director

30/08/2025

	2024		2023
	£	£	£
TURNOVER			
Donations	253,380		177,998
Donations - paypal	35,278		25,783
Donations - adoptions	58,405		52,210
Gift aid claimed	12,817		8,384
		359,880	264,375
COST OF RAW MATERIALS AND CONSUMABLES			
Kennels	278,616		212,752
Veterinary fees	51,581		29,158
Supplies	10,492		2,333
		(340,689)	(244,243)

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OTHER CHARGES

General administration costs:

Vehicle running costs	1,500	1,264
Computer software costs	519	543
Insurance	758	-
Accountancy fees	1,100	1,000
Subscriptions	92	-
Sundry expenses	56	62

	4,025	2,869
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Interest payable and similar charges:

Bank charges	858	776
	(4,883)	(3,645)

NET PROFIT	14,308	16,487
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