	Trustees' Annual Report for the period								
	From	Period start date			To	Period end date			
		01	Jan	2020		31	Dec		2020
Charity name				Senior Staffy Club					
Other names charity is known by				N/A					
Registered charity number (if any)				1156723					
Charity's principal address				SSC C/o El Maddi					
				Coppenhall					
				Stafford					
				Postcode		ST18 9BW			

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Julie Blaynee	Chairperson		
2	Julie Ann Harris			
3	Adele			
4	Julia Kaminski			
5	Catherine Lee			
6	Rachel Bluck			
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
None	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
None		

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

None

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by existing Trustees

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

"For the benefit of the public to relieve the suffering of animals in need of care and attention and, in particular, to provide and maintain rescue homes or other facilities for the reception, care and treatment of such animals."

"To promote humane behaviour towards animals by providing appropriate care protection, treatment and security for animals 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 animal welfare in general and the prevention of cruelty and suffering among animals."

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

In planning our activities for the year we kept in mind the Charity Commissions guidance on public benefit at our trustee meetings.

The focus of our activities remains the rescuing and rehoming of Senior Staffordshire Bull Terriers and Staffy Cross dogs aged 7yrs and over. By so doing we relieve the suffering of animals and provide facilities for their reception, care and treatment. This also helps to reduce the number of stray, neglected, unwanted and vulnerable animals throughout the UK, and also reduces the number of dogs unnecessarily destroyed, both in pounds and at the vets. Also by undertaking these activities we, via personal interaction at events, social media and the use of volunteers, educate the public regarding animal welfare in general and promote humane behaviour towards animals.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

A great contribution is made by volunteers. We are very grateful for the many hours volunteers have spent, fostering, caring for and walking the dogs. As well as time spent fundraising and promoting the rescue and its aims and helping us with Social Media. Without this valuable contribution of time, energy and expertise we would not have been able to achieve so much.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Our intakes and rehoming figures are as follows:

	2019	2020
Intakes	64	37
Rehomed	65	35

Our intake and rehoming figures have dropped substantially throughout the 2020 period due to the Covid 19 Pandemic and impact of lockdown. This severely impacted on our rehoming activities as we were no longer able to do homechecks on potential homes or allow travelling to and from the kennels for adopters to meet any dogs. In turn this impacted on spaces available for dogs needing to come in to rescue as our kennel spaces were blocked by dogs already in our care who could not be moved. Also the requests for us to help dogs decreased due to dogs not being able to be moved around the country and the fact that people were at home all the time meant that they were able to keep the dogs with them and issues they may have been having with care / behaviour of the dogs were able to be managed. (Once people return to normal full time work we expect the intake levels to increase again!)

However to be able to continue to help Senior Staffies in need during the Lockdown we launched our Coronavirus Crisis Fund where the public could apply for financial help towards veterinary costs for their own Senior Staffy, that they were unable to meet, due to unexpected financial difficulties caused by Covid 19, this was paid directly to the owners vets and was up to a maximum of £1,000 per claim. During 2020 we helped 7 owners and paid out £2848.23 which is incorporated into the Veterinary fees in the accounts.

This ensured that Senior staffies and staffy crosses were still helped by the charity during lockdown and meant that owners who were now in financial difficulty due to the pandemic were able to keep their loved pet rather than surrendering them or having them put to sleep.

Our kennel capacity remains at 8, our boarding kennels remain in the Worcester and Stoke areas.

We continued to increase our volunteer base which now covers all areas: Dog walking, Foster Carers, Social Media support, fundraising and administration. By increasing our volunteer base we have been able to provide the necessary level of welfare for the number of dogs in our care, and we can also promote, engage and educate the public regarding Senior Staffy Club aims and animal welfare in general.

We still have use of our own 'one off' bespoke kennel known as 'The Shack' which is situated on land belonging to the Behaviourist we use. We use The Shack to place dogs that have some behavioural issues or have been in long term kennel situations (at other rescues) so that the resident Behaviourist can give them one to one attention and spend time with them to get them ready for adoption. It is also sometimes used for the more elderly dogs or dogs that just don't cope in a normal kennel environment as it is quieter, more spacious and better equipped.

Both of our kennel bases continue to have their own vans to enable the transportation of the dogs in our care to kennels, vet appointments, foster homes and the like.

We have continued to build and expand our regular donation scheme, known as Kennel Crusaders, which provides us with regular income for provision of kennel spaces and veterinary care. This has been our main source of income this year as due to Covid 19 Lockdown we have been unable to attend any events, but have run a few online auctions to raise funds.

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F

Other optional information

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	C.L.Lee	J.Blaynee
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Full name(s)	Catherine Lee	Julie Blaynee
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Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	Chairperson
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Date	25.10.21
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SENIOR STAFFY CLUB

CHARITY NUMBER 1156723

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

INCOME	£	2020	2019
		£	£
General donations		63850.46	83937.39
Kennel Crusader donations		65620.51	46936.30
Adoption donations		2439.40	5323.15
Events, sale of shop goods and fund raising		20472.30	34120.02
Donations from other organisations		14900.93	15198.55
Gift Aid		15386.14	13592.37
Refunds		83.11	215.43
Insurance claim		250.00	6990.00
		<u>183002.85</u>	<u>206313.21</u>
LESS EXPENDITURE			
Veterinary fees	34237.14	56829.70	
Kennel fees	11726.02	13576.07	
Fostering expenditure	6868.76	9342.01	
Printing, postage and stationery	3066.07	3115.38	
Equipment purchased	398.49	833.67	
Insurance	390.20	446.20	
Transportation costs	258.72	745.55	
Vehicle costs	2870.52	12458.16	
Miscellaneous expenses	1357.37	874.24	
Office costs	2137.50	3629.49	
Advertising	0.00	146.02	
Donations made	1232.61	64543.40	101996.49
		<u>64543.40</u>	<u>101996.49</u>
Surplus of income over expenditure		<u>£118,459.45</u>	<u>£104,316.72</u>

SENIOR STAFFY CLUB

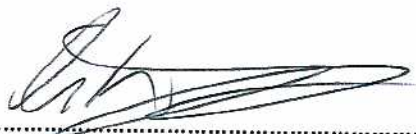
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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

General fund	23200.12	29740.67
Building project	295000.00	170000.00
Contingency fund	<u>30000.00</u>	<u>30000.00</u>
Accumulated fund brought forward	229740.67	125423.95
Net surplus for the year	<u>118459.45</u>	<u>104316.72</u>
	<u>348200.12</u>	<u>229740.67</u>
Net Assets		
Bank balances at 31.12.20	<u>348200.12</u>	<u>229740.67</u>

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I certify that the above income and expenditure account and balance sheet are in accordance with the books and records maintained by the Hon Treasurer which I have examined. I have verified the bank balance.



Mrs G F Norris FFA FCPA FFTA

September 2021

Signed on behalf of all Trustees by:-

Trustee/Chairman.....

Mrs K Lee

Trustee/Treasurer.....

Mr D Lee

SENIOR STAFFY CLUB CHARITY NUMBER 1156723

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees

I report on the accounts of Senior Staffy Club for the year ended 31st December 2020 which are set out on the attached papers.

The report is made solely to the Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Trustees matters I am required to state to them as Independent Examiner's Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Trustees for my independent examination work, for the report, or for the statement I have given below,

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Examiner.

As the Charity's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) does not apply, and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act; to follow the procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report.

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mrs Gillian F Norris FFA FCPA FFTA
11 Bletchley Road
Newton Longville
Milton Keynes

September 2021

Gillian F Norris