

MUNCHKINS MINIATURE SHETLAND RESCUE
ANNUAL REPORT AND RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
ACCOUNTS
YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020



**MUNCHKINS MINIATURE SHETLAND RESCUE
REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020**

Trustees

T Marx, Chair

A Leggett, Treasurer

N Hitchcock

M Dean

J Walters

P Marx (resigned 31 August 2020)

Charity registered number

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MUNCHKINS MINIATURE SHETLAND RESCUE

TRUSTEES REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

Structure, governance and management

Munchkins Miniature Shetland Rescue is a charitable incorporated organisation governed by a constitution dated 16 February 2015. The charity is managed by a group of up to 8 Trustees who are appointed by the existing Trustees.

Munchkins has no paid employees, but is run by volunteers of whom there are currently 30 adults on roll, plus teenage helpers at the weekends. Most come regularly every week, providing hands-on help with the ponies. Others perform administrative tasks or help to maintain the facilities. Others help on special occasions, notably the annual summer fayre and other fund-raising activities. The Trustees wish to record once again their grateful thanks for the hard work, dedication and commitment of all our volunteers.

Objectives and activities

The charitable objective of the charity is 'for the benefit of the public to relieve the suffering of miniature Shetland ponies in need of care and attention and, in particular, to provide and maintain a rescue home or other facilities for the reception, care and treatment of such ponies.'

In the last year we have cared for 48 ponies, of which 21 were new arrivals and 13 have been rehomed. All have been provided with suitable grazing and additional feed, hay and supplements as appropriate. All receive regular veterinary treatment including vaccination, worming and dental care. In addition, several ponies have been treated for ongoing chronic conditions and many others need specialist management to control laminitis.

Purpose built stables and sand turn out area are available for those which need it and field shelters are also provided. In addition, a large concrete area around the barn is used in adverse weather conditions. A track system is available for use primarily by laminitic ponies. All ponies are checked and handled daily by our team of volunteers, who also ensure that all facilities are kept clean and safe.

We are contacted several times a week by members of the public reporting ponies in need or requesting help for their own ponies owing to personal circumstances. In choosing those most in need, the Trustees have regard for the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Where the physical and behavioural condition of the ponies is suitable, we seek long-term foster homes, which are rigorously checked both before and after placement.

Achievements and performance

Munchkins continues to thrive as a busy and effective rescue centre with a well established reputation within the UK and overseas. We have been recognised by many visitors and professionals as exemplifying best practice in our work with miniature Shetlands, whose requirements are highly specialised.

Our sixth year as a charity has been one of many ups and downs especially navigating through the Covid-19 pandemic. In March 2020, the centre was closed to visitors and we had one household team of volunteers attending each day. We would like to express our thanks to those volunteers who continued to provide exemplary care for the ponies during the national lockdown. All our summer fundraising was cancelled including our annual summer fayre which is our main fundraiser of the year. We were lucky enough to receive financial support in the form of grants from East Devon District Council and the Support Adoption for Pets Covid-19 fund.

In August 2020, we were finally able to pick up our custom-built horse lorry which was built by Huish Horseboxes. The lorry will be used to pick up new ponies, ferry our ponies between our sites and also transport the ponies and all our equipment to local fundraising events. We have also purchased two new field shelters with help from a grant from The Animal Rescue Foundation, enlarged our car-parking area and had a concrete muck-heap built.

We have a number of further plans including the installation of CCTV. However, as the charity's future income remains uncertain with the pandemic, we have decided to put all future capital projects on hold in order to keep enough reserves to cover everyday running costs.

Munchkins provides a safe and comfortable home for our rescued ponies and a beautiful and peaceful place to visit and enjoy.

Financial review

The Trustees aim to maintain a current balance sufficient for at least three months' essential running costs. This balance also allows for unexpected costs such as major vet bills or infrastructure repairs. The Trustees take care to consider further improvements and to prioritise spending on future projects. Munchkins continues to raise funds from the public by way of donations and fund-raising events. We have cleared the loan taken last year towards the stable block.

This report was approved by Trustees on 6/12/20 and signed on their behalf by:



Tammy Marx
Chair of Trustees

**MUNCHKINS MINIATURE SHETLAND RESCUE
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020**

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF MUNCHKINS MINIATURE SHETLAND RESCUE.

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2020 which are set out on pages 6 and 7.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

As the charity Trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act'). I respect in report of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- Accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act, or
- The accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Hayley Perham BA(hons, FAIA, CPA, FMAAT, ATT(Tax) Dated:

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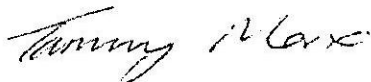
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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

Receipts	£
Donations	73,188
Corporate sponsors	200
Fundraising	2,164
Grants received	21,400
Legacies	5,000
Ponies in/out fees	11,940
Total Receipts	113,892
 Payments – service provision	
Clipping	200
Feed & bedding	5,488
Hay	2,650
Behavioural therapy	3,315
Trimming	3,421
Veterinary fees	13,920
	28,994
 Payments - other	
Accountancy	259
Administration support	1,737
Advertising	141
Repairs & maintenance	1,811
Capital expenditure	72,384
Field rent	1,530
Vehicle fuel and travel	380
Insurance	2,375
Professional fees	888
Paypal fees	2,572
Postage	1,743
Stationery & printing	1,156
Waste disposal	197
General expenses	50
Branded uniform	1,868
Utilities	643
Volunteer costs	753
	90,487
Total Payments	119,481
 Surplus/(deficit) for the year	 (5,589)

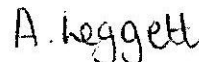
MUNCHKINS MINIATURE SHETLAND RESCUE
STATEMENT OF ASSETS
YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

	£
Lloyds	26,160
Paypal	643
Charity Checkout/Enthuse	2,080
Total cash at bank and in hand	28,883
 Opening cash at bank and in hand	 49,472
Deficit for the period	(5,589)
Loans acquired	-
Loan repayments	(15,000)
Closing cash at bank and in hand	28,883

The accounts were approved by Trustees on 6/12/20 and signed on their behalf by:



Tammy Marx
Chair of Trustees



Anna Leggett
Trustee/Treasurer