



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 Sept 2024 Period start date To 31 Aug2025 Period end date

Charity name: Makants Greyhound Rescue NW

Charity registration number: 1161079

Objectives and Activities

| | SORP reference | |
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| Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document | Para 1.17 | For the benefit to the public to relieve the suffering of abandoned and ex-racing greyhounds and to promote humane behaviour towards the greyhounds by providing appropriate care, protection, treatment and security for the dogs in need of attention by reason of retirement, abandonment, mistreatment or ill usage. • To re-home the greyhounds in line with Makants' strict re-homing policy. • To educate the public regarding responsible dog ownership and to offer comprehensive help to all adopters of ex racing greyhounds |
| Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts. | Para 1.17 and 1.19 | In order to maintain the day to day care for its rescued ex-racing greyhounds, Makants' charitable trustees supported by a team of exceptionally dedicated volunteers raise funds by way of store collections, car boot sales, auctions, raffles and other activities, such as summer and Christmas fairs and local dogs shows. In addition, a raft of other tasks are undertaken by the trustees and volunteers such as administration, social media communications/updates, re-homing checks, fostering dogs, transporting dogs for veterinary care and attendance at fund raising events. Raising awareness of the plight of racing greyhounds and educating the public about responsible dog ownership with an offer of comprehensive help to all adopters is an integral part of Makants' work and this is woven into all its activities. By way of example, volunteers are welcomed each day to assist with the collective group walk which ensures each kennelled dog receives appropriate daily exercise, can be assessed in a group situation and allows individuals to 'get to know' the breed and the work undertaken by Makants; |

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| | | <p>this support is invaluable on many levels. Experience to date has shown that in many instances, the rescue of an ex-racing greyhound is an acute situation whereby third parties will make the dog available to Makants at short notice with no financial donation. Dogs that are taken in are often in need of basic care and veterinary treatment, with some inevitably having more complex medical needs such as epilepsy, impacted vertebrae, gum disease, chronic fracture injuries or amputated toes giving rise to joint/mobility issues and tail injuries; all of which Makants has experienced and dealt with. Makants implements a strategy of spaying and neutering all greyhounds within two weeks of rescue unless the dog is prior neutered, in season or the veterinary surgeon advises otherwise, in which case spaying or neutering will be undertaken when advised by the veterinary surgeon irrespective of whether the dog is kennelled, fostered or adopted. A positive focus is placed on assessing and rehabilitating each and every dog received so they may be successfully rehomed and enjoy a normal life – a healthy dog is never euthanized and this is Makants’ promise to each and every dog that it receives. Each dog’s adoption is conditional and subject to the new owner entering into a written adoption agreement with Makants, whereby the new owner agrees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to guarantee the health and wellbeing of the dog. • to maintain yearly vaccination boosters. • not to allow the dog to stray unsupervised. • to ensure the dog wears a collar at all times with owner’s details and the disc Makants provides. • not to pass the dog to any third party without Makants’ written consent. • to abide by Makants’ spaying & neutering policy. • to allow a representative from Makants to visit to ensure the dog’s welfare and care is appropriate. • any breach of the contract allows Makants to reclaim the dog. <p>Each adoption is subject to the satisfactory completion of a vetting process to ensure the prospective home offered by a new owner meets the needs of the dog. Makants’ charitable trustees are aware of the statutory declaration and guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.</p> |
| Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit | Para 1.18 | |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

| | SORP reference | |
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| Policy on grant making | Para 1.38 | |
| Policy on social investment including program related investment | Para 1.38 | |
| Contribution made by volunteers | Para 1.38 | |
| Other | | |

Achievements and Performance

| | SORP reference | |
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| Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole. | Para 1.20 | <p>Makants has been able to maintain a highly motivated team of volunteers who have ensured that the care of its rescued ex-racing greyhounds has been of prime importance and a consistent achievement during the past year. During its financial year 2024/25, Makants has:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• rescued and rehomed 38 ex-racing greyhounds in line with its strict re-homing policy and been able to offer comprehensive help to all adopters. It is to the credit of all those who volunteer their support that Makants' was able to achieve this rehoming rate.• This demonstrates (despite the Cost of living crisis and a general lower level of interest in adoption) a positive annual rehoming rate from 2022/23 (74 rescued and rehomed ex racing greyhounds) 2021/22 (76 rescued and rehomed ex racing greyhounds)2020/21 (74 rescued and rehomed ex-racing greyhounds), 2019/20 (73 rescued and rehomed ex-racing greyhounds), 2018/19 (83 rescued and rehomed ex-racing greyhounds), 2017/18 (91 rescued and rehomed ex-racing greyhounds which included by exception the rescue, vaccination etc and successfully rehoming of a brooding bitch and all of her litter of 9 greyhound puppies (4 weeks old)), 2016/17 (72 rescued and rehomed ex-racing greyhounds) and 2015/16 (57 rescued |

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| | | <p>and rehomed ex-racing greyhounds) which reflects the dedicated commitment supporting this charity. • made continuous necessary maintenance improvements to its existing kennel facilities. This included the upgrading of all kennels , the inclusion of an enrichment room to enhance our rehoming process , ensuring our rescue greyhounds have the best possibility of being rehomed , the car park facility was upgraded and the new drainage system was completed in order to comply with kennel regulations • promoted humane behaviour towards the greyhounds by providing appropriate care, protection, treatment and security for the dogs in need of attention by reason of retirement, abandonment, mistreatment or ill usage. • been able to educate the public regarding responsible and safe dog ownership, not least by its attendance at many public events where information has been made available and members of the public have been able to seek guidance and advice and necessary equipment such as leads, harnesses, coats and muzzles (if required) but also online.</p> |
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| Achievements against objectives set | Para 1.41 | |
| Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set | Para 1.41 | |
| Investment performance against objectives | Para 1.41 | |
| Other | | |

Financial Review

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| Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period | Para 1.21 | Makants, as a growing voluntary charity working directly to improve the welfare of ex-racing greyhounds, aims to achieve its objective to at least maintain and, if possible, increase its cash reserve of £235,074 to ensure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • it can maintain an appropriate contingency fund (equivalent to 12 months' operating costs) is maintained to support, sustain, improve and assure continuity of future operations. • it can fund any exceptional and urgent welfare rescues which may require exceptional and costly funding for veterinary treatment and feeding care. • it can continue to accept more complex rescues where the ex-racing greyhound may require extended rehabilitation and kennelling rather than selecting only those greyhounds that may be more easily rehomed. • it can accumulate (in a high interest deposit account) a cash deposit towards its long-term strategic aim to purchase of a suitable property for Makants' kennels to be permanently located at. |
| Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held | Para 1.22 | As above |
| Amount of reserves held | Para 1.22 | £235,074 |
| Reasons for holding zero reserves | Para 1.22 | N/A |
| Details of fund materially in deficit | Para 1.24 | N/A |
| Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern | Para 1.23 | N/A |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising) | Para 1.47 | Fundraising |
| Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted | Para 1.46 | |
| A description of the principal risks facing the charity | Para 1.46 | |

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| Other | | |
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Structure, Governance and Management

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| Description of charity's trusts: | | |
| Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter) | Para 1.25 | |
| How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO) | Para 1.25 | |
| Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees | Para 1.25 | |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees | Para 1.51 | |
| The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works | Para 1.51 | |
| Relationship with any related parties | Para 1.51 | |
| Other | | |

Reference and Administrative details

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| Charity name | |
| Other name the charity uses | |
| Registered charity number | |
| Charity's principal address | |
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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) |
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| 1 | Siobhan Hopley | Chair | | Siobhan Hopley |
| 2 | Susan Sewell | | | Siobhan Hopley |
| 3 | Joanne Maxwell | | | Siobhan Hopley |
| 4 | Fiona Hughes | | | Siobhan Hopley |
| 5 | Wendy Draper | Secretary | | Siobhan Hopley |
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

[illegible]

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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| Description of the assets held in this capacity | N/A |
| Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects | N/A |
| Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets | N/A |

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

| Type of adviser | Name | Address |
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Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

W Draper

Full name(s)

Wendy Draper

**Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)**

Secretary

Date

01.06.26

Receipts and payments accounts

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| For the period from | Period start date 9/1/2024 | To | Period end date 8/31/2025 |
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Section A Receipts and payments

| | Unrestricted funds to the nearest £ | Restricted funds to the nearest £ | Endowment funds to the nearest £ | Total funds to the nearest £ | Last year to the nearest £ |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| A1 Receipts | | | | | |
| Donations | 52,200 | - | - | 52,200 | 50,874 |
| Fundraising Events | 65,025 | - | - | 65,025 | 73,902 |
| Bank Interest Received | 6,467 | - | - | 6,467 | 6,743 |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
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| Sub total (Gross income for AR) | 123,693 | - | - | 123,693 | 131,519 |
| A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table). | | | | | |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total receipts | 123,693 | - | - | 123,693 | 131,519 |
| A3 Payments | | | | | |
| Dog Food and Care | 4,826 | - | - | 4,826 | 3,440 |
| Vet Fee | 11,639 | - | - | 11,639 | 18,103 |
| Insurance | 1,527 | - | - | 1,527 | 2,303 |
| Kennel Services | 55,808 | - | - | 55,808 | 47,139 |
| Building Running Costs | 6,908 | - | - | 6,908 | 9,451 |
| Transport Costs | 1,668 | - | - | 1,668 | 1,159 |
| Cost of fund Raising Events | 4,509 | - | - | 4,509 | 3,057 |
| Cost of Sale of Goods | 5,809 | - | - | 5,809 | 11,333 |
| Printing , Post , Stationery & Computer Supplies | 1,426 | | | 1,426 | - |
| Grants and Donations Paid | | | | - | |
| Bank Interest and Charges | 689 | | | 689 | 139 |
| Building Maintenance | 11,416 | | | 11,416 | - |
| Miscellaneous | 1,273 | | | 1,273 | 726 |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total | 107,499 | - | - | 107,499 | 96,850 |
| A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table) | | | | | |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total payments | 107,499 | - | - | 107,499 | 96,850 |
| Net of receipts/(payments) | 16,194 | - | - | 16,194 | 34,669 |
| A5 Transfers between funds | - | - | - | - | - |
| A6 Cash funds last year end | 261,944 | | - | 261,944 | 227,275 |
| Cash funds this year end | 278,138 | - | - | 278,138 | 261,944 |

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

| Categories | Details | Unrestricted funds to nearest £ | Restricted funds to nearest £ | Endowment funds to nearest £ |
|---|--|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| B1 Cash funds | Bank Accounts and Paypal | 278,138 | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| | Total cash funds | 278,138 | - | - |
| | (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s)) | OK | OK | OK |
| B2 Other monetary assets | Details | Unrestricted funds to nearest £ | Restricted funds to nearest £ | Endowment funds to nearest £ |
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| B3 Investment assets | Details | Fund to which asset belongs | Cost (optional) | Current value (optional) |
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| B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use | Details | Fund to which asset belongs | Cost (optional) | Current value (optional) |
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| B5 Liabilities | Details | Fund to which liability relates | Amount due (optional) | When due (optional) |
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| Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees | Signature | Print Name | Date of approval | |
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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Makants Greyhound Rescue NW

On accounts for the year
ended

31 August 2025

Charity no
(if any)

1161079

Set out on pages

Receipts and Payments pages 1&2

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/08/2025.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all 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:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed: Justine Garner

Date: 29/5/2026

Name: Justine Garner

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

Chartered Accountant

Address:

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| C/O Makants Greyhound Rescue |
| Makants Farm , Mort Lane |
| Tyldesley , M29 8PF |
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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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