

Charity registration number 1165221 (England and Wales)

**OAKWOOD DOG RESCUE**  
**ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024**

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION


Trustees	G Williams J Watson E Wilson	(Appointed 10 September 2024)
Charity number (England and Wales)	1165221	
Principal address	17A Lake Enterprise Park Bergen Way Hull East Yorkshire HU7 0YQ	
Independent examiner	Cottons Accountants LLP The Stables Church Walk Daventry Northamptonshire UK NN11 4BL	

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## TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2024.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Charities SORP "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)".

**Objectives and activities**

The charity takes in unwanted dogs from the UK and Abroad and looks after them until loving homes can be found. The charity also aims to promote humane behaviour towards dogs and to educate the public in dog welfare both in the UK and Europe. We have also recently begun to explore helping unwanted and abandoned cats – if this is something that works and we will continue doing so we will update our governing documents at that time.

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

**Public benefit**

The charity provides appropriate care, protection, treatment and security for dogs in need, homeless dogs and unwanted or mistreated/abused dogs from the UK and abroad. The charity maintains a rescue kennels to allow the above to take place, along with a number of charity shops and a community building for fundraising.

The Trustees have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity's Commissions' general guidance public benefit when reviewing the Trust's aims and objectives and in planning future activities

**Grant making**

We do not provide grants to other organisations.

**Volunteers**

We are grateful for the many hours' volunteers have spent caring for and walking our dogs. Without this valuable contribution of time, energy and expertise we would not be able to help so many dogs.



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## TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

### Achievements & Performance

**Number of dogs rehomed:**

Looking at the numbers for 2024 for the year we rehomed 20 dogs, with only 2 dogs returned. This is a 50% reduction compared to 2023.

From the beginning of 2024 there has been an even further slow down on adoptions across the UK, most likely linked to the cost-of-living crisis and people going back to working in the office.

Many of the dogs in our care have come from kill shelters abroad or neglect cases in the UK, and are not suitable for rehoming right away. The majority of our dogs have behavioural issues and do require a lot of work before they can be rehomed. Our dogs require a special someone who is willing to take on a dog with problems that need to be overcome and as such along with the industry slowdown of adoptions our numbers have rapidly decreased over 2024 compared to previous years.

However, from a positive perspective, none of the 20 that were rehomed none were returned back to us, but 2 dogs from previous years adoptions where returned to us.

**Fundraising:** We have raised £341,626 during 2023-2024. Which is down significantly from £425,900 in 2022-2023. This has been from a combination of events, charity shops, general donations, gift aid, dog shows and adoptions. The cost of living is increasing and people are finding it harder and so there is less money available for people to give as donations to worthy causes. Fortunately, with good financial management our expenses were also reduced and we have been able to continue to cover our running costs despite generating £83,912 less in total income this past year.

Long term we would like to move from rented premises to a property of our own to help with the monthly financial commitment we experience, this is our goal to achieve by the end of our current rental lease in 2029.

**Reserves policy**

We ended the year with £55,459 in readily available savings which is slightly up from the previous year, a blessing given our significant reduction in income however with monthly running costs totalling just over £30,300 this barely gives us 2 months contingency if things were to get difficult and donations were to fall, with £19,066 of that being owed in a bounce back loan taken during the COVID struggles this leaves little in the pot.

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

**Governing document**

CIO Foundation Documentation Registered 19/01/2016.

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

N Smith	(Resigned 1 October 2023)
G Williams	
C Gillett	(Resigned 1 October 2023)
J Watson	
N Lakin	(Resigned 1 December 2023)
E Wilson	(Appointed 10 September 2024)



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**TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024**

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**Recruitment and appointment of new trustees**  
Recruitment and appointment of new trustees is discussed during the Annual General Meeting.

**Key management remuneration**  
The highest paid member of staff is the Rescue Care Manager, who is responsible for running the kennels on a day to day basis.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



G Williams

Trustee

Dated: 14<sup>th</sup> July 2025.

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT  
TO THE TRUSTEES OF OAKWOOD DOG RESCUE

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Oakwood Dog Rescue (the charity) for the year ended 30 September 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act 2011.

Independent examiner's statement

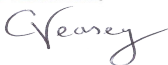
Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000, the independent examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of ACA, which is one of the listed bodies.

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared the financial statements in accordance with the relevant version of the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn. I understand that this has been done in order for the financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

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

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Charities Act 2011.
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of financial statements set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the financial statements 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 financial statements to be reached.

  
Callum Veasey ACA on behalf of  
Cottons Accountants LLP

The Stables  
Church Walk  
Daventry  
Northamptonshire  
NN11 4BL  
UK

24.07.2025  
Dated: .....



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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
<b>Income from:</b>			
Donations and legacies	2	331,730	413,141
Other trading activities	3	9,896	12,759
Investments	4	641	279
<b>Total income</b>		<u>342,267</u>	<u>426,179</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>			
Raising funds	6	26,486	65,800
Charitable activities	5	337,454	378,114
Other expenditure	11	722	669
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<u>364,662</u>	<u>444,583</u>
<b>Net expenditure and movement in funds</b>		(22,395)	(18,404)
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>			
Fund balances at 1 October 2023		<u>110,473</u>	<u>128,877</u>
<b>Fund balances at 30 September 2024</b>		<u>88,078</u>	<u>110,473</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.


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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

	Notes	2024		2023	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	12		57,830		73,355
Current assets					
Debtors	13	310		3,000	
Cash at bank and in hand		68,759		61,336	
		69,069		64,336	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	(23,113)		(11,573)	
Net current assets			45,956		52,763
Total assets less current liabilities			103,786		126,118
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	16		(15,708)		(15,645)
Net assets			88,078		110,473
The funds of the charity					
Unrestricted funds			88,078		110,473
			88,078		110,473

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2025

  
G Williams  
Trustee

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Oakwood Dog Rescue is an unincorporated charity.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Charities SORP "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)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities not to prepare a statement of cash flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, [modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value]. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors or grantors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the charity.

1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.



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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)  
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1 Accounting policies (Continued)

1.5 Expenditure  
Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets  
Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Plant and equipment	25% reducing balance
Fixtures and fittings	25% reducing balance
Computers	25% reducing balance
Motor vehicles	25% reducing balance

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.7 Cash and cash equivalents  
Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.8 Retirement benefits  
Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

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2 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2024	2023
	£	£
Adoptions	10,601	20,906
Donations	177,329	201,792
Grant income	-	(5,542)
Shop sales	122,778	149,856
Rent income	2,000	2,000
Hub income	19,022	44,129
	<u>331,730</u>	<u>413,141</u>

3 Income from other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2024	2023
	£	£
Fundraising events	<u>9,896</u>	<u>12,759</u>

4 Income from investments

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2024	2023
	£	£
Interest receivable	<u>641</u>	<u>279</u>

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5 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Dog rescue 2024 £	Dog rescue 2023 £
<b>Direct costs</b>		
Staff costs	205,439	236,084
Depreciation and impairment	18,526	24,379
Hire of plant and machinery	-	665
Repairs and renewals	25,737	21,721
Advertising	-	946
Travelling	9,420	6,943
	<u>259,122</u>	<u>290,738</u>
<b>Share of support and governance costs (see note 7)</b>		
Governance	78,332	87,376
	<u>337,454</u>	<u>378,114</u>
<b>Analysis by fund</b>		
Unrestricted funds	<u>337,454</u>	<u>378,114</u>

6 Raising funds

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
<u>Other trading activities</u>		
The hub expenditure	11,966	25,263
Veterinary fees	6,129	21,594
Purchases	7,965	17,195
Happy paws expenditure	426	1,748
	<u>26,486</u>	<u>65,800</u>
	<u>26,486</u>	<u>65,800</u>

7 Support costs allocated to activities

	2024 £	2023 £
Governance costs	<u>78,332</u>	<u>87,376</u>
<b>Analysed between:</b>		
Dog rescue	<u>78,332</u>	<u>87,376</u>

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8	Net movement in funds	2024	2023
		£	£
	The net movement in funds is stated after charging/(crediting):		
	Fees payable for the independent examination of the charity's financial statements	500	500
	Depreciation of owned tangible fixed assets	18,526	24,379
9	Trustees		
	None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.		
	Trustees' expenses		
	Trustees' were reimbursed for expenses that were incurred throughout the year. All expenses were wholly and exclusively related to the running of the charity. All adequate receipts have been kept and were submitted by the trustees to the charity.		
10	Employees		
	The average monthly number of employees during the year was:		
		2024	2023
		Number	Number
		12	16
	Employment costs	2024	2023
		£	£
	Wages and salaries	193,375	222,903
	Social security costs	7,503	8,049
	Other pension costs	4,561	5,132
		205,439	236,084
	No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.		
	There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.		
11	Other		
		Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
		2024	2023
	Financing costs	722	669
		722	669



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11	Other					(Continued)
12	Tangible fixed assets					
		Plant and equipment £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computers £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
	<b>Cost</b>					
	At 1 October 2023	49,367	109,824	2,711	21,272	183,174
	Additions	-	-	-	3,000	3,000
	At 30 September 2024	49,367	109,824	2,711	24,272	186,174
	<b>Depreciation and impairment</b>					
	At 1 October 2023	32,168	60,299	798	16,553	109,818
	Depreciation charged in the year	4,300	12,381	478	1,367	18,526
	At 30 September 2024	36,468	72,680	1,276	17,920	128,344
	<b>Carrying amount</b>					
	At 30 September 2024	12,899	37,144	1,435	6,352	57,830
	At 30 September 2023	17,199	49,525	1,912	4,719	73,355
13	Debtors					
					2024 £	2023 £
	Amounts falling due within one year:					
	Trade debtors				250	-
	Other debtors				60	-
	Prepayments and accrued income				-	3,000
					310	3,000
14	Loans and overdrafts					
					2024 £	2023 £
	Bank loans				19,066	21,781
	Payable within one year				3,358	6,136
	Payable after one year				15,708	15,645

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<b>15 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>				
		<b>Notes</b>	<b>2024 £</b>	<b>2023 £</b>
Bank loans		<b>14</b>	3,358	6,136
Other taxation and social security			3,185	3,140
Trade creditors			-	397
Other creditors			14,995	400
Accruals and deferred income			1,575	1,500
			<u>23,113</u>	<u>11,573</u>
<b>16 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year</b>				
		<b>Notes</b>	<b>2024 £</b>	<b>2023 £</b>
Bank loans		<b>14</b>	15,708	15,645
<b>17 Retirement benefit schemes</b>				
			<b>2024 £</b>	<b>2023 £</b>
<b>Defined contribution schemes</b>				
Charge to profit or loss in respect of defined contribution schemes			4,561	5,132

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund.

**18 Movement in funds**

		<b>Movement in funds</b>				
	<b>Balance at 1 October 2022</b>	<b>Incoming resources</b>	<b>Resources expended</b>	<b>Transfers</b>	<b>Gains and losses</b>	<b>Balance at 1 October 2023</b>
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds						
General fund	128,877	426,179	(444,583)	-	-	110,473
	<u>128,877</u>	<u>426,179</u>	<u>444,583</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>110,473</u>
		<b>Movement in funds</b>				
	<b>Balance at 1 October 2023</b>	<b>Incoming resources</b>	<b>Resources expended</b>	<b>Transfers</b>	<b>Gains and losses</b>	<b>Balance at 30 September 2024</b>
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds						
General fund	110,473	342,267	(364,662)	-	-	88,078
	<u>110,473</u>	<u>342,267</u>	<u>364,662</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>88,078</u>



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19 Related party transactions

During the year, one company, of which Ms G C Williams, Trustee, is a director, paid rent at market value, for part of the building from the charity.