

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	04	2023		31	03	2024

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name	Animal Rescue Morocco
Other names charity is known by	ARM
Registered charity number (if any)	1170108
Charity's principal address	111 Birdwood Road
	Cambridge
Postcode	CB1 3TB

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	Karen ADAMS			
2	Har Hari KAUR			
3	Sarah COLWELL			
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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

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Trust Deed
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Trust
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.

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Section C 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 particular cats and dogs, in Morocco, in need of care and attention, and, in particular, by the provisions of funds to rescue homes or other facilities for the reception, care and treatment of such animals.

*We shall seek to work with, and support, organisations that promote and support kindness and to prevent or suppress cruelty to animals.

*We will seek to work with and support organisations that ensure there is provision of veterinary care and treatment.

*We will seek to work with and support organisations that seek to help rehome animals, or if not, find space to care for them.

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)

When exercising powers, and duties, all trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on Public Benefit. An example of this being a review of the guidance during the trustee meeting when considering funding applications and requests from organisations for general administrative assistance.

As a young charity, with trustees operating on a part-time basis, our main activities have focussed around fundraising, through social media, for a number of campaigns.

We held our first official meeting in January 2017 where we discussed the way forward and how to address the “public benefit” considerations when faced with requests for assistance. For us this is fairly easy as while our focus is on supporting animal welfare the up side of this is the benefit to the public through:

- *protecting local communities from infected, diseased animals by supporting the TNAV (trap, neuter, vaccinate, tag) programs.
- *supporting poorer members of the communities through fundraising for veterinary care.
- *supporting the education programmes through sharing good practices.
- *providing opportunities for individual self/career development, both in the UK and Morocco, by supporting volunteering opportunities in areas such as “hands on” experiences in Morocco and administrative duties in the UK

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.

Since March 2017 we have continued to advertise for volunteers on our social media pages. We have received a few offers of assistance but nothing long term. We have assistance, with regard to adoption processes, from a Belgium national. We have assistance, with regard to Moroccan oversight, from an Italian national and a Moroccan national. We have assisted in placing UK volunteers with some of the main rescue teams we support.

In May 2018, to abide by the new Data Protection legislation, a GDPR paragraph was added to all emails and we are no longer sending group emails only individual ones.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

This year's report, due to the continued struggles caused by the pandemic, is very similar to previous years.

In March 2020 the global coronavirus pandemic hit and we began setting up an action plan for fielding all donations for SFT through us (later also those for CSP) whilst they continued with their own UK Charity applications and setting up UK bank accounts. We agreed to deal with the accounts on a temporary basis whilst the CORONAVIRUS (Covid-19) Lockdown caused logistical issues across the globe. CSP has now been successful in setting up their own UK Charity, Sara Morocco, and are now able to assist smaller rescue sanctuaries in a similar approach to ourselves. SFT have continued to need our support throughout this year whilst they identify suitable candidates to become trustees of a new Tangier focussed UK based charity. **UPDATE:** Trustees have been identified and, following our support with the application process, now have an application submitted to the UK Charity Commission.

The global pandemic hit Morocco really hard with the country being one of the last to "open up". Whilst tourism has gradually returned, and we have been able to support European travellers wanting to volunteer for short periods during their travels, the impact of both the pandemic and Brexit has seen a reduction in adoptions due to the huge amount of paperwork and complicated processes to get through. During this time we have been supporting three main rescue teams in their joint efforts to bring Morocco up to similar levels as other countries in the fight against rabies and animal cruelty. The representatives from these well respected rescue teams have had a "voice" on the world stage which has really highlighted the plight of Moroccan street animals. This has led to a rise in those following and supporting these teams.

In September 2023 Marrakesh suffered a huge earthquake which had a devastating effect on many of the communities in the remote areas of the Atlas Mountains. Immediately the rescue teams got to work, and we were able to support this work, acting as points of contact, directing and co-ordinating international rescue partners such as "Veterinarians without Borders" and PETA (People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals). We initially put these teams in touch with ERHAM, a small team we support, who were providing food and water to the animals in the stricken communities and MAA (Moroccan Animal Aid), a team we knew had been hit themselves during the quake.

We have continued to see a huge rise in contact from those wanting financial support but at the same time continue to be comforted by the number of contacts from individuals who are seeking medical support for injured animals they have come across. We have had to work closely with the rescue teams in order to provide the best advice and support. Through this work we have been able to assist in the facilitation of a significant number of rescues – In particular rescuing Dogs and Donkeys who have suffered cruelty and abandonment. We have also been able to contact vets direct and fund immediate treatment, such as x-rays, whilst the animal and individual tourist are waiting at the surgery.

Our main focus has continued to be that of ensuring the rescue teams have enough funds to cope as the country continues to recover from the Covid Pandemic. The rescue shelters have found themselves fit to bursting with dwindling financial assistance and support has had to focus

on treating and vaccinating the ever-increasing number of street animals. We have continued to facilitate large numbers of social media fundraising campaigns, instigated by shelter supporters, and also received donations through funding platforms via EBay, Instagram and Facebook sellers. Through these difficult times organisations providing food donations have continued to be a lifeline for these communities and we have promoted this avenue of support, which in turn has seen many of the rescue teams supported in this way. We have reached out to some larger UK funding charity platforms which has allowed us to support the work of a number of Veterinary practices across Morocco, many of whom have built up significant debts due to unpaid bills for their treatment plans.

We have continued to facilitate the use of UK volunteers already based in Morocco and the educational programmes, especially those within the American and British speaking schools, has continued. With the country opened up again, and restrictions in movement of animals reduced, the volunteers have played a vital role in accompanying adopted animals on their journey's to the UK, Europe and further afield to America.

We are still finding ourselves having to provide significant support to one of the main rescue teams we support as they are continuing to struggle in obtaining charity status in their own right – this is mainly due to a lack of suitable volunteers to take on the role of trustees. It is important we continue to provide as much support to this team, whilst they strive to achieve charity status, as they provide the majority of care and support across Tangier. Once independent charity status is achieved it will give us the opportunity to progress with campaign projects and our own volunteer programme in support of the increasing number of British students seeking volunteering opportunities to enhance their CV's.

UPDATE: Trustees have been identified and, following our support with the application process, now have an application submitted to the UK Charity Commission.

Our aims for the next financial year are 1) to build on the fundraising campaigns, supporting new emerging teams in outreach parts of Morocco, 2) to update our social media profile and try to encourage UK volunteers to help increase our social media footprint. 3) to try and increase partnership working amongst the rescue teams/ organisations/ shelters.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity currently does not have a reserves policy, however this is something that is being kept under review. At present this is not an issue as we do not provide funding support without the donations already being available.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Not applicable

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.

The charity's principal sources of funds are from donors through social media campaigns. Expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity by continuing to support veterinary care, vaccination and neutering programmes, support to local communities and tourists as well as supporting the volunteering programmes being run by these organisations giving opportunities to foreign nationals, including from the UK. We have continued to offer volunteering opportunities within the charity and we now have two additional volunteers assisting with administrative duties and looking into fundraising opportunities. We have had further interest from a number of individuals both in the UK and in Morocco and these individuals are now being considered for trustee status with the Tangier shelter who are seeking to obtain UK charity status.

Section F Other optional information

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Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	K Adams	
Full name(s)	Karen Adams	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	
Date	13/10/2024	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Animal Rescue Morocco

No (if any)
1170108

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01-04-2023	To	Period end date 31-03-2024
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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					
	2,76,878	-	-	2,76,878	2,93,065
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	2,76,878	-	-	2,76,878	2,93,065
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	2,76,878	-	-	2,76,878	2,93,065
A3 Payments					
Donation paid to other charities	2,50,745	-	-	2,50,745	2,58,848
VET Fees	24,684	-	-	24,684	24,680
Accountancy Fees	1,999	-	-	1,999	1,799
Bank charges	3,776	-	-	3,776	3,275
Dog Food	-	-	-	-	-
Advertising	-	-	-	-	-
Rent for new shelter	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	2,81,204	-	-	2,81,204	2,88,602
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	2,81,204	-	-	2,81,204	2,88,602
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 4,327	-	-	- 4,327	4,463
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	6,879	-	-	6,879	-
Cash funds this year end	2,553	-	-	2,553	4,463

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 And Paypal	2,553	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	2,553	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		K Adams	Karen Adams	31/10/24



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

ANIMAL RESCUE MOROCCO

On accounts for the year
ended

31 March 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1170108

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/03/2024**.

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

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of Association of Chartered Certified Accountants.

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:

Date:

23/10/2024

Name:

Lutfi Talib

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

Association of Chartered Certified Accountants

Address:

31-32 High Street

Wellingborough NN8 4HL

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.