



# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date		Period end date	
From	6 April 2022	To	5 April 2023

## Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Settusfree

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1173327

Charity's principal address

Ellhurst

Five Ash Down, Uckfield

East Sussex

Postcode

TN22 3AP

### 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	Thelda Bryant	Chair Adoptions Manager Fund-Raising Manager		
2	Keith Bowden	Treasurer Membership Secretary		
3	Terry Bryant	Secretary		
4	Caitlin Lloyd	Adoptions Co-ordinator	Elected at AGM November 2022	
5	Gina Whittaker	Adoptions Co-ordinator	Resigned May 2022	
6	Valentina Vennarini	Adoptions Co-ordinator	Elected at AGM November 2022	
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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)	Constitution dated 12 May 2016
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Under Constitution Clause 13.1, trustees will seek re-election at the AGM. A new trustee can be appointed at any time under Clause 13.4

### 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.

The management committee was re-structure at the AGM (November 2022) and now consists of five trustees, one having resigned in May 2022 and two new trustees elected in November 2022. There are, also, three administrators and one consultant trainer/behaviourist.

The charity works closely with a number of recognised rescue organisations throughout mainland Europe in the pursuance of rescuing and caring for abused and abandoned Setters and Setter Cross Breeds, offering financial and moral support. Allocation of donations are considered on merit and agreed by trustees' vote.

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

For the public benefit to promote human behaviour towards animals by Supporting European rescues in the provision of appropriate care, protection, treatment and security for abandoned Setters and Setter mix breeds which are in need of care and attention by reason of sickness, maltreatment, poor circumstances or ill usage.  
To ensure that all dogs that we help are either neutered or spayed before adoption or if too young then we ensure that the adopter does this at the appropriate age  
Securing safe permanent homes within the United Kingdom by matching appropriate dog owners living in suitable settings as adopters of such animals and facilitating their relocation Raising funds to support these activities.

**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)**

All dogs coming into the UK are imported in compliance with the DEFRA/APHA regulations on the import of animals.

All adoption homes are checked for suitability, safety and security and are made aware of escape behaviour of Setters that have been used for hunting.

All dogs come with five weeks free pet insurance and the owners are encouraged to continue with pet insurance.

All adopter homes are contacted by the charity's animal behaviourist at the earliest opportunity to discuss any issues that may have come to light together with general advice on exercise etc. The charity reserves the right to re-home the dog should it feel it necessary to do so.

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

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

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

All grants and donations made by the charity are ratified by the trustees and fully documented with regard to how these funds were used.

All volunteers and members of the Admin Team, of which the trustees are a part, give of their time freely without pecuniary reward.

Home checks carried out by outside volunteers are done at no expense to the charity and all work to a set of guidelines agreed and laid down by the trustees.

## Section D

## Achievements and performance

### Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

In this fiscal year a total of 99 dogs were successfully adopted into new caring homes with a few others in the safety of a foster home whilst waiting for adoption.

This number is down slightly on the previous year, probably due to more people returning to working away from home.

All rescue dogs taken under the wing of the charity have a home to go to before they travel from their country of origin, and all are properly prepared for travel following health checks and vaccinations and all travel documentation is checked for compliance with border regulations.

Our financial support for our European partners was increased early in 2023 to help meet the ever-increasing costs of kennelling and health care.

Fund-raising remains robust and the charity's financial situation remains healthy thanks to careful management.

## Section E

## Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

We have no set policy on holding reserves, but allocations are made with a knowledge of what the bank balance is and what we are likely to receive in the way of donations.

### 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.

The charity's funds are raised in the following ways;

The generous donations of our supporters, some by monthly standing orders.

Annual membership fees – current membership 262

Fund raising events such as fun-day get togethers, coffee mornings, raffles, auctions, competitions etc.

Sale of charity branded goods and other items displayed in the on-line shop. Individual appeals for a specific purpose such as emergency veterinary treatment.

Monies bequeathed upon the death of a supporter.


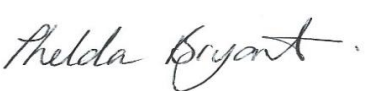
**Section F****Other optional information**

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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)		
	Full name(s) Terry Bryant	Thelda Bryant
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Secretary	Chair
	Date 6 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name  
Settusfree

No (if any)  
1173327

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## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period  
from

Period start date  
06-Apr-22


To

Period end date  
05-Apr-23

### 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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations	29,941	-	-	29,941	23,448
Fund raising events	3,198	-	-	3,198	14,746
Baloo Fund Raising Page	10,417	-	-	10,417	-
Dog costs	45,231	-	-	45,231	65,998
Membership	3,201	-	-	3,201	3,499
Gift Aid	2,393	-	-	2,393	3,308
Commision	5,871	-	-	5,871	-
Miscelanious receipts	368	-	-	368	-
<b>Sub total</b> (Gross income for AR)	100,620	-	-	100,620	110,999
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
Sales of items from shop	2,168	-	-	2,168	772
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	2,168	-	-	2,168	772
<b>Total receipts</b>	102,788	-	-	102,788	111,771
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Vet fees	13,268	-	-	13,268	2,702
Transport	42,847	-	-	42,847	48,008
Dog costs including fostering	26,163	-	-	26,163	47,992
Donations to other charities	229	-	-	229	1,054
Postage	261	-	-	261	416
Sundries	662	-	-	662	3,105
Stationary	-	-	-	-	-
Governance	678	-	-	678	644
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	84,108	-	-	84,108	103,921
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
Purchase of stock for resale	813	-	-	813	-
Postage on Sales	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	813	-	-	813	-
<b>Total payments</b>	84,921	-	-	84,921	103,921
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	17,867	-	-	17,867	7,850
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	46,189	-	-	46,189	19,484
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	64,056	-	-	64,056	27,334

## 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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Old Natwest Bank 33664757	1,169	-	-
	New Natwest Bank 41683439	62,102		
	Paypal new account	785	-	-
	Cash in hand		-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>64,056</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	Stock valuation of items for sale	779	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
		Terry Bryant Secretary	07-Apr-23	



<i>Thelda Bryant</i>	Thelda Bryant Chair	07-Apr-23
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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Charity Name  
Settusfree

On accounts for the year  
ended

April 2023

Charity no  
(if any)

1173327

Set out on pages

Trustees Report TAR 1-6 Receipts & Payments CC16a R1 & R2

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

As the charity trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with 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 [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [ ] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below \*) 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 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:

05/05/2023

Name:

Nigel James Southerington

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

Chartered Accountants



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## Section B

### Disclosure

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

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

