

Westie Rescue UK (WRUK)

Registered Charity 1173538

MINUTES OF TRUSTEES MEETING FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2023-24

Date: June 2024 for the year 2023-2024

TRUSTEES: Nikki Edwell, Moira Burgess, Christine Elford

Present: Nikki Edwell, Christine Elford, Moira Burgess

FOUNDER Kevin Baker founded the Charity but is no longer able to actively participate in the charity due to a long term health condition.

OVERVIEW

- The charity continues to operate with day to day administration carried out by Christine Elford with the support of Nikki Edwell.
- Nikki Edwell, Christine Elford and Moira Burgess continue as Trustees.

MEMBERSHIP:

- This year the membership has continued at 9119.

DOGS:

- During this year, the Charity has fostered and rehomed 23 West Highland White Terriers or terrier crosses - Oscar (14 months), Louie (9 months), Louie (12 years), Alfie (6 years), Tikka (6 years), Dory (7 years), Poppy (5 years), Teddy (18 months), Toby (6 years), Bella (10 years), Misty (13 Years), Louis (5 years), Alfie (10 years), Oscar (13 years), Bonnie (8 years), Bailey (6 years), Charlotte (13 years), Luna (4 years), Bertie (18 months), Lucy (12 years), Willow (3 years), Rio (9 years), Jock (5 years).
- We note that the 23 dogs that we have rehomed this year has increased compared to 15 last year.
- We continue to receive large numbers of application forms from across the country and continue to ensure that we inform all applicants that we do not have a dog for everyone so as not to raise expectations. .
- Westie Rescue UK continues to support all dogs that are adopted through the Charity by covering the medical costs of any ongoing pre-existing condition. This includes dogs with diabetes, skin conditions and ongoing behavioural issues. In this financial year we supported dogs in veterinary and behavioural costs amounting to £18,023.46

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- Sadly we have lost 9 WRUK rescues this year: Harley (June 2023), Lenny (September 2023), Archie (October 2023), Wesley (October 2023) Misty (December 2023) Rossi (October 2023) Alfie (February 2024) Oscar (March 2024), Rannoch (April 2024). All spent their last days in happy and loving homes with amazing families who showed them so much love throughout their final years..

VOLUNTEERS, DONORS AND FOSTERERS:

- The charity is indebted to the volunteers who have rescued and fostered dogs, carried out home checks and raised funds. The charity continues to receive support from other groups who have helped with home checks and carry out regular westie walks to support Westie Rescue UK and raise funds. We are very grateful for all of their contributions.
- We would like to specifically recognize the following foster carers who have taken dogs as a first port of call prior to rehoming to the forever homes, as well as providing long term foster care:

Pauline Crook

Rebecca and Andrew Loss

Kathryn Montague

Dianne Hughes

Lisa Dugdale

- The charity also wishes to acknowledge and thank all of the members who have regularly contributed through donation, fundraisers and auctions.

FINANCES:

- The charity bank account is in credit and on 21st June had funds of £23,920.31 as a result of adoptions, donations, fundraising and bequests.
- The charity has been grateful for regular contributions from Ayr Westie Walkers.
- As a charity, Gift Aid applies, and we are in the process of reclaiming this as the previous method (Donation Manager) is no longer available to us.
- The charity has been extremely grateful for the bequests received this year.
- Nikki Bailey has kindly provided support in relation to the Charity Accounts.

FUNDRAISING:

- This takes the form of ongoing activities such as:

monthly draw

annual birthday draw

sale of our WRUK Calendar

special one-off auctions/raffles

items donated by members of the group for auction or raffle

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- Pauline Crook and Rebecca Loss have continued the responsibility for fund raising this year. Pauline and Rebecca continue as admin support for the WRUK Facebook fundraising page, group and Nothing Butt Westies.
- Pauline and Rebecca are a great support in welcoming new members and maintaining our online presence and the Trustees are grateful for their significant contributions.

WRUK has three Facebook groups:

Westie Rescue UK (WRUK) Registered Charity,

Westie Rescue UK Fundraising Page and

Nothing Butt Westies.

All have significant membership and fulfil different functions.

- Westie Rescue UK has continued to operate a "Birthday Draw" in which one supporter receives £365.00. The 2023-2024 winner of this draw was JEANNETTE LINDSAY who donated £65.00 back to Westie Rescue UK.
- We are extremely grateful to everyone who has supported our fundraising events across the year which we know has been difficult for so many people. The generosity of our supporters is amazing!

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Next meeting: June 2025



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

22-Jun-23

To

21-Jun-24

Section A Receipts and payments

| | Unrestricted funds | Restricted funds | Endowment funds | Total funds | Last year |
|---|--------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | to the nearest £ | to the nearest £ | to the nearest £ | to the nearest £ | to the nearest £ |
| A1 Receipts | | | | | |
| Donations | 10,059 | - | - | 10,059 | 9,196 |
| Adoption deposits & donations | 5,700 | - | - | 5,700 | 4,385 |
| Fund raising | 2,253 | - | - | 2,253 | 3,505 |
| Gift Aid | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total (Gross income for AR) | 18,011 | - | - | 18,011 | 17,086 |
| A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table). | | | | | |
| Sale of Berlingo | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total receipts | 18,011 | - | - | 18,011 | 17,086 |
| A3 Payments | | | | | |
| Vet fees & medications | 16,492 | - | - | 16,492 | 14,083 |
| Dog welfare including boarding | 2,083 | - | - | 2,083 | 2,011 |
| Insurance | 459 | - | - | 459 | - |
| Mileage & travel costs | 399 | - | - | 399 | 459 |
| Postage & computer/office supplies | 1,032 | - | - | 1,032 | 1,119 |
| Fundraising costs including merchandise | 1,696 | - | - | 1,696 | 2,023 |
| Paypal fees | 108 | - | - | 108 | 105 |
| Administration services | 10,283 | - | - | 10,283 | 8,910 |
| Accountancy | 410 | - | - | 410 | 666 |
| Sundry expenses | 49 | - | - | 49 | 11 |
| Sub total | 33,012 | - | - | 33,012 | 29,387 |
| A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table) | | | | | |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total payments | 33,012 | - | - | 33,012 | 29,387 |
| Net of receipts/(payments) | - 15,001 | - | - | - 15,001 | - 12,301 |
| A5 Transfers between funds | - | - | - | - | - |
| A6 Cash funds last year end | 39,274 | - | - | 39,274 | 51,575 |
| Cash funds this year end | 24,273 | - | - | 24,273 | 39,274 |

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 current account | 23,920 | - | - |
| | Paypal account | 353 | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| | Total cash funds | 24,273 | - | - |
| | (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 | Details | - | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| B3 Investment assets | Details | Fund to which asset belongs | Cost (optional) | Current value (optional) |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use | Details | Fund to which asset belongs | Cost (optional) | Current value (optional) |
| | Gazebo | Assets | 1,989 | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| B5 Liabilities | Details | 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 | |
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