



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 06/04/2022 Period start date To 05/04/2023 Period end date

Charity name: Kent Horse Rescue

Charity registration number: 1173911

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ARE: 1. FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC TO RELIEVE THE SUFFERING OF EQUINES IN NEED OF CARE AND ATTENTION, PROVIDING 'INTO-CARE' RESCUE FACILITIES FOR THE RECEPTION, CARE, TREATMENT AND REHABILITATION OF SUCH EQUINES UNTIL THEY ARE WELL ENOUGH FOR SUITABLE RE-HOMING. 2. TO PROMOTE HUMANE BEHAVIOUR AND CARE TOWARDS EQUINES BY PROVIDING EDUCATION TO THE PUBLIC IN MATTERS PERTAINING TO EQUINE WELFARE IN GENERAL AND THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY AND SUFFERING AMONG EQUINES.
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	1. Advice to public: receiving calls from the public via telephone, social media or website, regarding their concerns of suffering / abandoned equines. 2. Providing advice regarding equine welfare; practical, procedural, legislations and DEFRA codes. 3. Providing a call out physical response service 4. Providing equine rescue / transport service for suffering / abandoned equines to a place of safety / welfare care. 5. Providing welfare care / veterinary assistance etc. for immediate welfare issues. 6. Providing rehabilitation of sick/suffering equines 7. Providing re-homing advice and assistance

Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The services provided by Kent Horse Rescue are for the benefit of the public where they have concerns for equine and public safety / welfare.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
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	Kent Horse Rescue is operated entirely by volunteers
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
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	Kent Horse Rescue has achieved a lot in the sixth year as a registered charity: The cost of living crisis has impacted on the care of equines as owners find it more difficult to afford their upkeep. This also has had an impact on donations from the general public to charities. However, we continue to receive the support of grant trust organisations and Kent Horse Rescue followers, who trust in our work, ethics and objectives. We are so grateful to have received some assets from the North Essex Horse Rescue charity, who sadly closed; their trustees felt we have very similar objectives and values – this helps us continue to help more horses throughout Kent, Essex and beyond.

		• We have continued our services, support and advice for members of the public whom are struggling to care for their equine/s due to unforeseen circumstances (financial and/or health problems), and have assisted with advice and taking into care equines for rehabilitation and re-homing. • We have received and assisted with an increased number of calls again over last year; from the public, landowners and local authorities, concerned for the welfare and support of horses locally. • We rescued / received into care more horses and ponies than last year, and attended, assisted and helped to resolve many more cases through advice on welfare, procedure, legislation and local resources to assist horses in need. • We have rehabilitated all horses brought 'into-care', and have had great success in re-homing to suitable homes. • The Website continues to provide a valuable source of assistance for the public: The Charity has received more daily calls and emails from the public via the website, responding with advice, contacting relevant land owners / authorities and attending on site where possible. • Social Media has in excess of 4,000 followers and growing, and provides an almost instant contact point and response facility.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	We are pleased with the number of call outs responded to and the number of equines we have been able to rehabilitate, helped hugely by the support of local Vets, our successful rehabilitation programme, and the income and donation funding as mentioned above.
	Para 1.41	Fundraising has been affected by the cost of living crisis, but supplemented by grant funding from various charitable trusts. Donations received were mainly

Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set		as the result of members of the public / supporters donating from their own pockets, rather than fundraising activities.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	We have maintained overheads at a low level, to a very efficient level by reducing rent last year. Expenditure was less than income, and we sustained adequate cash flow. We were able to invest in a horsebox ambulance which has been invaluable. We also had exceptional costs for vehicles, equipment and facility maintenance, which was accommodated. Veterinary costs, feed and bedding were higher due to the larger number of horses coming into care
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
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	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed , royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution of a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association , CIO)	Para 1.25	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) ('Foundation' model constitution)
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	As per Constitution

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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

Charity name	Kent Horse Rescue
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1173911
Charity's principal address	Kent Horse Rescue 5 Liberty Square, Kings Hill West Malling, Kent ME19 4PU

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	* See Exemptions			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

Additional information (optional)

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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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

All Kent Horse Rescue Trustees and Contacts details / Addresses have Dispensation from the Charity Commission, and we confirm the necessity to keep these Dispensations.

- We have in place Dispensation for withholding certain information from the Annual Report required by this section**

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)	*	
Full name(s)	Trustee	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	
Date	05/02/2024	



Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 06/04/2022	To	Period end date 05/04/2023
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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/Grants	67874.35	-	-	67,874	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	67,874	-	-	67,874	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	67,874	-	-	67,874	-
A3 Payments					
Veterinary, Medical, Farrier	10,369	-	-	10,369	-
Fuel/Transport	6,420	-	-	6,420	-
Insurance	1,889	-	-	1,889	-
Rent	720	-	-	720	-
Feed/Bedding	6,272	-	-	6,272	-
Equipment	2,642	-	-	2,642	-
Telephone/Power/Sundries	1,147	-	-	1,147	-
Vehicles/Maintenance	1,612	-	-	1,612	-
Security	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	31,071	-	-	31,071	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Horsebox Ambulance	7,500	-	-	7,500	-
Field Rescue vehicle	3,250	-	-	3,250	-
Sub total	10,750	-	-	10,750	-
Total payments	41,821	-	-	41,821	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	26,053	-	-	26,053	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	557	-	-	557	-
Cash funds this year end	26,610	-	-	26,610	-

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 Account	26,610	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	26,610	-	-
	(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			Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Field Shelter		1,200	150
	Small Trailer		400	100
	Power Supply Equipment		450	100
	Electrical Equipment		250	50
	Yard Tractor		200	50
	Field Rescue Vehicle		3,250	1,500
	Horsebox Ambulance		7,500	6,500
			-	-
			13,250	8,450
B5 Liabilities		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	Rent due in next accounting year	Unrestricted	720	01 July 2024
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	Trustee*	Trustee*	05/02/2024	

Independent Examiners Report

Reference: Kent Horse Rescue, Charity No. 1173911

Accounts: Financial Year 6th April 2022 – 5th April 2023

To whom it May Concern:

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement:

My examination was carried out in accordance with general directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts presented a true and fair view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statements below.

Independent Examiner's Statement:

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the charities act;
to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the charities act have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Date: 5/February/2023

Name:

DANIEL WHITE

Relevant professional qualification or body: QUALITY CONTROL MANAGER