



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date: 01/04/2024

Period end date: 31/03/2025

Charity name: Norfolk Tortoise Club

Charity registration number: 1174886

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To promote humane behaviour towards tortoises by promoting best practice for tortoise care, providing a rehoming service for tortoises in need of care and attention by reason of sickness, maltreatment, poor circumstances, ill-usage, changed owner circumstances and educating the public in matters pertaining to animal welfare in general and the prevention of cruelty and suffering among animals.
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	Offering tortoise keepers knowledgeable and friendly advice and support in their rehoming journey, caring for tortoises that have been ill-treated or are unwell by providing veterinary care, and holding events and informative meetings to promote welfare and best practice tortoise husbandry. We also take in any unwanted animals to care for at the centre so we can access their health needs and if necessary, rehabilitate.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	Our goals as a charity and the trustees are to continue to support the tortoise community, whether regarding the animals, or the owners to practice best care, protecting the futures of the animals and preventing incorrect care resulting in tortoises unable to thrive. The aim is that all tortoises should thrive, not just survive and education and advice is key.

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	<p>In the financial year, we have rescued and rehomed over 80 tortoises. All this has been done with ongoing support to all new owners. We have rescued tortoises that have had issues with their health, rehabilitated them and then settled into their new home.</p> <p>Weve added a bespoke medical unit with funds raised from our donors. We hold events to keep owners updated on current practices and pass on information either in person, or via an online meeting. Our volunteers step up to help to support all of our events. As a charity, we also offer support to other tortoise charities</p>

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	This financial period has been a challenging one for the Norfolk tortoise club. Price rises and electricity increases had impacted on the centre, but we are in a good place to begin the next financial year.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We have to ensure we have funds to continue the work at the end of the financial year.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	We would like to have at least £5000 at at the end of the financial year
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	With tortoise rescue, we cannot predict the animals arriving at the centre, and we are aware of our capabilities. We will always push forward in the provision of the animal care, but with rising costs we are very mindful that we need to continue to progress our fundraising work

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	Membership, rehoming donations, and open events, offering advice. Regular donors and bequests, and grants. Sales of products at events and online.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Trustees are expected to meet the requirements of our 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	All trustees must meet the guidelines in the constitution, having volunteered for the centre. They then apply for post, and are voted in.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Norfolk Tortoise Club
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1174886
Charity's principal address	Mergate Hall Flordon Road Bracon Ash NORWICH Norfolk NR14 8DP

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	Jacqueline Foulger	Treasurer	4	
2	Koren Weyand		3	
3	Lindsey Duckham		3	
4	Gary White		4	
5	Ray Morter		4	
6	Danielle Broom		4	
7	William Rhodes		4	
8	A J O'Connor		4	
9	Eleanor Tirtasana-Chubb		4	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A

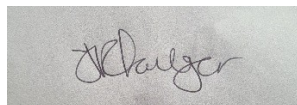
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

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)

Jacqueline Foulger

Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

Treasurer

Date

12/01/2026

Norfolk Tortoise Club Accounts
Date April 2024- March 31st 2025

	Debit	Credit
Rent & Electricity	5,940.00	
Refuse Collection	592.80	
Mobile Phone	88.80	
Insurance	888.43	
Feed & Supplement	1,298.85	
Bulbs & Holders	3,548.81	
Repairs & Maintenance	11,141.33	
Sundries & Volunteer Welfare	634.25	
Support expenses	9,272.64	
Online IT & IT Support	1,068.24	
Office Supplies	879.08	
Animal Sundries	2,178.24	
Vets	1,731.66	
Event & Shop Supplies	4,845.80	
Mileage Claims	60.00	
Lab Testing	1,135.76	
Other Invoices	795.17	
Postage including Ebay	766.80	
Membership		3,752.74
Donations		18,681.10
Legacy		15,000.00
Grants		6,746.89
Easy Fundraising		497.55
Event Cash		5,647.26
Card Payments		6,889.97
Misc/Sales		838.20
HMRC charity gift aid		2,166.09
Ebay		1,945.53
	46,866.66	62,165.33

Difference + **15,298.67**

Balance 31st March 2025 **23,903.47**



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name
Norfolk Tortoise Club

On accounts for the year
ended

31st March 2025

Charity no
(if any) 1174886

Set out on pages

(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 31/03/2025.

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

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: 09/01/2025

Name:

Gillian Russell

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

MAAT

Address:

3 The Beeches, Mattishall, Dereham, Norfolk NR20 3SR

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.