

**Charity Number: 1177365**

**Flori's Friends Rescue (CIO)**

**Trustees Report and Receipts and Payments Accounts  
for the year ended 28 February 2023**

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## **Annual Report for the year ended 28 February 2023**

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## **Charity Information**

**Registered Number: 1177365**

### **Registered Address**

Little Oaks  
Bigbury Road  
Chartham Hatch  
CT4 7ND

### **Trustees**

Samantha Ames  
Michelle Suzanne Purt  
Suzanne Woodhead  
Lauren Higgs

(appointed 12 April 2022, resigned 23 August 2022)

### **Independent Examiner**

Jessica Lawrence FCA CTA  
Azets Audit Services Limited  
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### **Bankers**

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Kent  
CT14 6EW

# **Flori's Friends Rescue (CIO)**

## **Trustees Report for the year ended 28 February 2023**

The Trustees present their report and the receipts and payments accounts for the year ended 28 February 2023.

### **Reference and Administrative Information**

Charity information set out on Page 1 forms part of this report. The accounts have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis.

### **Governing Document**

The charity is governed by its Trust Deed dated 28 February 2018.

### **Objectives, Aims and Activities**

To promote humane behaviour towards animals, by providing appropriate care, protection, treatment, and security for animals which need care and attention due to sickness, maltreatment, poor circumstances, or ill treatment. To educate the public in matters pertaining to animal welfare in general and the prevention of cruelty and suffering among animals.

We are a specialist rehabilitation centre for disabled and mobility impaired animals; often dealing with complex medical needs and taking these dogs on the road to recovery for them to go on and enjoy the rest of their lives like any other dog. The rehabilitation of these animals is more time consuming and more costly due to the surgery required and subsequent after care which can be resource hungry on volunteers and fosters, the rewards come when we see the animal fully rehabilitated and leading a normal life with their adopter. We have a specialist network of vets, suppliers and trainers who help us to take care of these dogs and get them the correct treatment for their needs. Once they have been treated physically and nursed back to health, we start to train them to use their new wheelchairs and sometimes even prosthetics. As they become used to their new wheels, we see them grow in confidence and really start to get their sparkle back.

We take in unwanted dogs and cats from across the UK; these have been abused or abandoned and need someone to show them love. We operate a strict no kill policy working with disabled dogs and ones with behavioural problems to fully rehabilitate them; providing them with wheelchairs and behavioural therapy to allow them to enjoy their lives just like any other dog. This often means we take the ones those other charities will not touch, we work with them, no matter how long it takes, to give them the second chance to lead a happy and fulfilled life.

We specialise in trauma and neglected cases, with 70% of our dogs having been subjected to excruciating pain, injury, and torture. Fifty percent of our animals come from killing stations in Europe. Dogs that ended up in these places are either severely abused and mishandled or destroyed using inhumane treatments such as hit around the head with hammers or injected with paint stripper.

### **Report of the Trustees**

#### **Key Achievements and Future Plans**

Throughout the year Flori's Friends Rescue have been able to provide support and rehome animals from both UK and Europe, our main focus has been the UK as so many animals have unfortunately been given up by their owners due to the economic climate. In the last 12 months a total of 52 cats 10 dogs and 2 disabled dogs have been rescued and rehomed, a further 30 feral cats are safely managed and cared for in Romania. We currently have 3 disabled dogs that are being rehabilitated to allow them to be adopted later in the year. Due to the cost-of-living crisis we have had 6 dogs returned to us 5 of whom we have successfully rehomed and 1 is still being cared for by our trainer to ensure we can rehome him with the appropriate family.

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### Trustees Report for the year ended 28 February 2023

In April we were able to support Ukrainian refugees who crossed the border from Ukraine to Romania with their pets. We were overwhelmed by people's generosity, donating so much that we were able to arrange a second donation run of food, toys, blankets, and meds for refugees beloved pets. Flori's Friends Rescue had the opportunity to have a meeting with TV Vet Marc Abraham OBE, who was so impressed with the work we do for paralysed dogs that he agreed to become a patron this Spring. We have seen an increase in online sponsorships which provide support for our disabled dogs who are with end-of-life fosters and need long term specialist treatment. This provides a more interactive way for donors to support with the care and rehabilitation of animals. We now have 4 Trustees.

Our strategy and main goal is to expand into a permanent UK rescue centre with the main focus being a paralysed dog rehabilitation facility; this will allow us to expand our rescue operation in the UK for dogs and cats spending more time rehabilitating animals as and when required. Once we have a UK rescue centre base with on-site facilities, we can rehabilitate more disabled dogs rather than placing them on a waiting list until we have space. A UK rescue centre will allow us to take in animals from the local council e.g., emergency rescues. Going forward this will be a place for volunteers to visit and interact with our team and animals. Our Founder will run an after-school club for children, teaching them animal husbandry.

Approved by the Trustees on 19/07/2023 .....and signed on their behalf by:



S Woodhead  
**Trustee**

## **Flori's Friends Rescue (CIO)**

### **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Flori's Friends Rescue**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Flori's Friends Rescue for the year ended 28 February 2023.

This report is made solely to the Charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My independent examination work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's Trustees as a body, for my independent examination work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. The accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

*Jessica Lawrence*

Jessica Lawrence FCA CTA

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## Flori's Friends Rescue (CIO)

### Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 28 February 2023

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
<b>Receipts</b>					
Donations		75,665	-	75,665	110,670
Fundraising		2,788	-	2,788	3,869
Adoption fees		13,875	-	13,875	69,626
Lottery		26,195	-	26,195	22,717
Grants		28,178	-	28,178	20,000
Gift aid and sundry		1,523	-	1,523	1,203
<b>Total receipts</b>		<b>148,224</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>148,224</b>	<b>228,085</b>
<b>Payments</b>					
Accountancy and Independent examination		4,715	-	4,715	6,122
Dogs transportation		8,099	-	8,099	45,698
Dogs training, walking and behavioural fees		8,300	-	8,300	6,890
Veterinary fees		29,348	-	29,348	50,607
Food, accessories and microchips		30,909	-	30,909	24,006
Lottery prizes		12,721	-	12,721	9,602
Events		600	-	600	1,179
Contractor fees		445	-	445	1,876
Grants		11,000	-	11,000	8,000
Wages and salaries		24,227	-	24,227	12,841
Support costs	<b>2</b>	30,175	-	30,175	35,950
VAT recovered on payments	<b>2</b>	(15,909)	-	(15,909)	(21,475)
<b>Total payments</b>		<b>144,630</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>144,630</b>	<b>181,296</b>
<b>Surplus of receipts over payments</b>		<b>3,594</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,594</b>	<b>46,789</b>
Cash funds at 28 February 2022		68,123	-	68,123	21,334
<b>Cash funds at 28 February 2023</b>		<b>71,717</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>71,717</b>	<b>68,123</b>

## Flori's Friends Rescue (CIO)

### Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 28 February 2023

	28 Feb 2023 £	28 Feb 2022 £
Bank accounts	71,717	68,123
VAT recoverable reclaim due	9,906	10,657
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>81,623</b>	<b>78,780</b>
Accruals – Independent Examination and accounts	(211)	(189)
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>(211)</b>	<b>(189)</b>

Approved on behalf of the Trustees on 19/07/2023 ..... and signed on their behalf by:

  
.....  
S Woodhead  
Trustee



# Flori's Friends Rescue (CIO)

## Notes to the receipts and payments accounts for the year ended 28 February 2023

### 1. Accounting policies

#### Basis of Accounting

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention, on a receipts and payments basis, in accordance with Section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 and following the guidance for accounting for smaller charities issued by the Charity Commission.

### 2. Support costs

	2023	2022
Advertising, marketing, merchandise and website	3,411	4,974
Vehicle lease fees, vehicle expenses and travel costs	13,031	15,330
Printing, stationery, postage and office costs	1,775	2,326
Computer and IT	1,514	2,895
Insurance	3,848	4,870
Telephone	1,197	1,768
Sundry	5,399	3,787
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>30,175</b>	<b>35,950</b>

Expenses are recognised gross in the receipts and payments accounts and VAT recovered credit relates to amounts of potentially irrecoverable VAT which have been recovered by the charity.

### 3. Employees

The average number of employees was 2 (2022: 1).

### 4. Unrestricted Funds

As at 28 February 2023	Balance at March 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at February 2023 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	68,123	148,224	(144,630)	71,717
	<b>68,123</b>	<b>148,224</b>	<b>(144,630)</b>	<b>71,717</b>

  

As at 28 February 2022	Balance at March 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at February 2022 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	21,334	224,585	(177,796)	68,123
	<b>21,334</b>	<b>224,585</b>	<b>(177,796)</b>	<b>68,123</b>