

**Healing Paws Animal Rescue Trustees Report for The Period Ending 31st  
March 2022**

Charity Name: Healing Paws Animal Rescue

Charity Registration Number: 1177945

Charity Address:

174 Leicester Road, Countesthorpe, Leicestershire LE8 5QW (to 15 Dec 21)

88 Overtown Road, Waterloo, Wishaw, North Lanarkshire ML2 8EW (from 15 Dec 21)

Trustees:

Mrs Helen Glass (Resigned 15 Dec 21)

Mrs Jackie Wills (Resigned 9 Jan 22)

Miss Aileen Lamberton

Ms Karen Leie

Mrs Hayley McKenzie

## **1. STRUCTURE & MANAGEMENT**

As a relatively new charity, Healing Paws Animal Rescue aim to achieve a clear sense of purpose and direction for the future and the priorities of the Charity. We continue to work to our 10-year Strategic Plan, initially created in 2018 though with flexibility provided through an annual review to ensure we take account of a changing context.

The Trustees recognise they need to continue to augment policies and procedures in the light of changes in animal welfare law both in Greece and the UK as well as changes due to Brexit.

We continue to update our strategy and direction in light of changes to the external market and this includes:

- Defining and refining our core values and focus
- Setting clear strategic goals and objectives
- Having a clear operating plan with detailed actions and monitoring
- Donor engagement to input to our activities and providing an external view of our strengths, weaknesses and opportunities

The Strategic Plan is therefore not static but dynamic. Although the strategic goals remain consistent and our means of achieving them may change on a regular basis. To ensure strong governance and oversight, priority actions are discussed and potentially revised quarterly with Trustee meetings monthly throughout the year. The Trustees keep in contact with each other on a daily basis to discuss current developments that arise. The Trustees also undertake an annual review.

The first step in recruiting a Trustee is seeking interest from the charities volunteers and supporters who have already been involved in the work of the charity and have the skills and expertise required to fulfil the requirements of managing the charity.

## 2. ACTIVITIES & OBJECTIVES

*“Our vision is a future where all animals are provided with a responsible and loving home for life and that Healing Paws Animal Rescue is recognised as a high-quality provider of animal welfare and community services on the Greek Island of Zakynthos”*

Our LONG-TERM Vision is to build a Rescue and Rehabilitation Centre on the Island.

During this year, we have continued to pursue our long-term ambition to have a dedicated rescue and rehabilitation centre on the island of Zakynthos. This would provide a safe, infection control and cost-effective way to properly care for the animals prior to transport to their new adoptive homes in the UK.

We continue to fundraise for donations towards assisting in the development of building a legal licensed Shelter on the island of Zakynthos which is the charities long-term objective.

In the previous financial year, £39k of funds raised have now been granted to Healing Paws Animal Rescue. Zakynthos a not-for-profit registered charity in Greece for the acquisition of land.

Huge efforts have been made in the past year to fundraise to deliver the acquisition of the land which will meet Greek Welfare Standards

Basic work has started on the purchased land i.e., land clearing and fencing. Further work will be done in stages to complete the build of the shelter as we raise funds to complete the stages.

In this year we have homed 117, dogs mainly puppies. It was a very challenging year transporting the dogs to the UK due to Covid restrictions and Brexit import regulations and Greek laws.

We continue to sterilise strays on Zakynthos and provide veterinary treatment to injured animals.

In response to GDPR our Privacy Policy was updated and added to the charities website as well as the Cookie Policy.

In April, we registered with the Fundraising Regulator. Applied for a grant which was unsuccessful. We continue to process grant applications and we have registered with fundraising platforms.

We have three key areas within our mission:

- To promote humane behaviour towards animals, on the Greek island of Zakynthos, by providing appropriate care, protection, treatment and security for animals which are in need of care and attention by reason of sickness, maltreatment, poor circumstances or ill usage.
- To educate the public in matters pertaining to animal welfare in general and the prevention of cruelty and suffering among animals.
- To rescue animals and rehome them and to do whatever we can to improve the living conditions of the strays and homed animals in Zakynthos.

### **3. ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE INCLUDING PUBLIC BENEFIT**

We have continued to achieve our goals to home dogs from the shelter in Zakynthos to adopted families in the UK successfully. As well as foster homes and rescue placements.

Income generation has not been as high than previous years, due to the financial climate, we still managed to keep finances in credit and able to pay all costs for vet fees, food and maintenance at the current shelter.

To accomplish our vision and mission, Healing Paws Animal Rescue has identified six Key Focus Areas, each of the objectives and activities are detailed within our Operating Plan:

- Governance arrangements
- Adoption, fostering and rescue placements
- Income generation
- Marketing and communications
- Community programmes
- Monitoring and performance

As detailed earlier, our long-term ambition is to support a dedicated rescue and rehabilitation centre on the island of Zakynthos. This would provide a safe, infection control and cost-effective way to properly care for the animals prior to transport to their new adoptive homes. The Trustees are fully aware of their legal requirement and obligations required to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance as well as the Charities Act 2022. Future Trustees will also be asked to be fully aware of these two requirements:

- Benefit Aspect – our purpose is beneficial by rescuing stray dogs and cats and providing them with a caring adoptive family who want to care for a pet and be part of family. This is identifiable by the follow up reports from adopters who inform us how well the pet has settled in and how it has been a welcome addition to family.
- In the rare occasion that detriment or harm results, there is emergency procedures in place for immediate action.
- Benefit to the public in general is to give a prospective adopter the option to choose the perfect pet for them to share their life with.
- The Trustees do not give rise to incidental personal benefit, apart from the success in helping the public to find their pet.
- The Trustees understand the purpose of the charity and the benefits of delivering and making decisions to ensure benefits are provided.

### **4. FINANCIAL REVIEW**

Attached to this report is the Statement of Receipts and Payments.

To summarise, year on year general fundraising is down £26k due to less donations due to the current economic crisis with Covid and adoption fees are down due to less dogs being adopted due to Covid transport issues.

There is a £5k reduction year on year for Zakynthos vet fees and food due to less strays being rescued.

UK vet fees have increased by £5k due to a dog in foster requiring a major operation.

As at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 the money in the charities bank account is £10k plus a £5k contingency.

## **Notes Forming Part of the Financial Statements for The Period Ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022**

### **1. Accounting Policies**

The principal accounting policies are summarised below. The accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the year.

#### **a) Basis of Accounting**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

#### **b) Fund Accounting**

Unrestricted Funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in order to meet the objectives of the charity.

Designated Funds are unrestricted funds which are earmarked for particular purposes.

Restricted Funds have restrictions placed on their expenditure by the donor.

#### **c) Incoming Resources**

All income is included in the financial statements. There are several regular and irregular donors donating general funds to assist with the costs of running the charity.

The Charity undertakes fundraising with a Lottery License provided by Blaby District Council.

For individuals wishing to adopt a dog or a cat, a fee is charged to cover the costs of vet fees.

The charity claims Gift Aid on donations which qualify.

#### **d) Resources Expended**

Expenditure is recognised on a cash basis when payments are made.

### **2. Trustee Remuneration**

No Trustees received any remuneration during the financial period ending 31st March 2022.

### **3. Independent Examination by JD Bookkeeping**

	Healing Paws Animal Rescue				1177945
	Statement of Receipts and payments				
	For the period				
	From	April 21	To	March 22	
Statement of Receipts and payments					
	Unrestricted funds		Designated funds		Total funds
	to the nearest £		to the nearest £		to the nearest £
					Last year
					to the nearest £
<b>Receipts</b>					
General Donations & Fundraising	46,048	-		46,048	72,374
Adoption flying transport fees	-	-		-	6,621
Adoption Vet & neutering donations	-	19,580		19,580	29,237
HMRC gift aid	4,439	-		4,439	4,743
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>50,487</b>	<b>19,580</b>		<b>70,067</b>	<b>112,975</b>
<b>Payments</b>					
Zakynthos Veterinary Costs	14,462	19,580		34,042	36,112
Zakynthos Main Food supply	9,122	-		9,122	12,098
Zakynthos Rescue Overheads	9,789	-		9,789	7,453
Zakynthos Building and repair costs	1,624			1,624	7,953
Zakynthos Private Kennel fees for male dogs	-	-		-	2,332
Flying transport costs	-	-		-	6,621
Zakynthos land purchase grant	38,635	-		38,635	-
UK Foster Vets fees	5,436			5,436	-
UK Foster Expenses inc Ins	931	-		931	1,106
UK Foster Dogs subsidy of travel to UK	1,140			1,140	-
UK Kennel fees/profession transport/assessm	2,343			2,343	3,200
UK Legal Fees & professional fees	100	-		100	492
UK Admin/promo materials	229	-		229	393
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>83,810</b>	<b>19,580</b>		<b>103,390</b>	<b>77,760</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>- 33,323</b>	<b>-</b>		<b>- 33,323</b>	<b>35,215</b>
<b>Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>48,532</b>	<b>-</b>		<b>48,532</b>	<b>13,317</b>
<b>Cash funds at 31st March 2022</b>	<b>15,209</b>	<b>-</b>		<b>15,209</b>	<b>48,532</b>
<b>Statement of Assets &amp; Liabilities</b>					
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**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/  
members of**

Healing Paws Animal Rescue

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

31<sup>st</sup> March 2022

**Charity no  
(if any)**

1177945

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5 of the Trustees Report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/03/2022**.

**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 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:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**Signed:**

*Jenny Ditch*

**Date:**

18/10/2022

**Name:**

Jenny Ditch

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qualification(s) or body  
(if any):**

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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 brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.**