

## **Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022**

### **Summary**

Hope Animal Shelter registered as a charity on 17th September 2018, operating in the North East. The purpose of the charity is to provide care, protection, medical treatment and security for animals in need. In addition to this, both temporary and permanent shelter is offered to animals until new homes have been found.

### **Public Benefit**

Hope Animal Shelter seeks to educate the public to promote responsible attitudes towards animals and prevent cruelty and suffering towards them. These objectives will help educate the public in the North East, to reduce the numbers of abandoned animals.

Hope Animal Shelter also aims to rehome as many animals as possible. All prospective owners are thoroughly checked with home visits and a donation fee. On-going support is also available where required.

The Trustees of Hope Animal Shelter are satisfied that they have fully complied with the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

### **Volunteers**

With the relaxation of rules relating to the Covid 19 outbreak and a return to work for many, Hope Animal Shelter saw an increase in requests for the handover of animals to us, and a decrease in the number of people able to take on pet ownership commitments. The Trustees would like to praise the efforts of Cliff and the volunteers who kept the shelter running with this increased animal population.

Despite the hardship suffered by many during the Covid 19 outbreak and post Covid period, the supporters of Hope Animal Shelter continued to provide financial and material support which allowed the volunteers to support the many and diverse groups of animals in our care. The Trustees acknowledge the significant contribution made by them. Although this year fundraising activities were restricted by Covid and post Covid rules, our supporters continued to raise funds where they could; sponsored Boxing Day Dip, raffles, car boot sales, Christmas wreaths sale, purple poppies appeal.

The shelter has also been supported by local businesses and supermarkets in the local area.

### **Reserves**

Hope Animal Shelter is a not-for-profit organisation, but the Charity intends to retain reserves to ensure financial security. Reserves will be used to improve facilities where necessary.

### **Main Achievements**

The shelter has continued to rehome when circumstances allowed and following a further bird flu outbreak needed to develop covered areas for the turkeys, chickens and ducks as per government rules.

Site development began post Covid 19:

- A 24' x 12' stable was begun in the large paddock so that the donkeys could remain in the field during the winter months. Our grateful thanks go to volunteers Andy, Sharon, Graham and Julie who provided well needed muscle.
- The terrapin pond was completed
- A third small shed was completed, which will allow the addition of two partially enclosed areas on to the second and third sheds in the next financial year.
- Large metal gabions were purchased to provide support for the area next to the river, where some erosion had taken place during the stormy weather. This project is hoped to be completed in the next financial year.
- A reconditioned digger was purchased which will enable large bales of straw and hay to be taken up to the top of the field to the new shelter.

A record of rehoming statistics can be seen below for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022:

Hope Animal Shelter rehomed 149 animals over the year, as well as 46 strays, wild animals and birds were reunited, rehabilitated, or released. The shelter has continued to be involved in spaying, neutering, and releasing feral cats and kittens.

	Dogs	Cats		Rabbit	Guinea Pig	Others	Total
April 21	2	8		1	1		12
May 21	3	1		-	-		4
June 21	2	1		1	-		4
July 21	1	5		1	-	2 Chinchilla	9
August 21	2	10		2	3	-	17
September 21		8		2	-		10
October 21	1	8		-	3	1 Ferret	13
November 21	1	26		1	3	4 Budgies	35
December 21	2	8		-	6	2 Budgies	18
January 22	4	5		-	-	-	9
February 22	5	3		1	2	1 Ferret	12
March 22	1	2		2	1	-	6
Total							149

### Financial Review

Hope Animal Shelter has prepared the accounts using the receipts and payments method. Income continues to exceed expenses, therefore has no uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern.

The shelter does not employ any staff, so all money raised goes towards the upkeep of the site and the welfare of the animals.

### Structure, Governance and Management

Hope Animal Shelter is run by charity trustees and is constituted as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO).

There have been no changes to the charity trustees, but policies would be provided to any new trustees on election in future periods.

### Reference and Administrative details

Charity Name: Hope Animal Shelter

Charity Number: 1179956

Principal Address: 1 White Cliffe Cottage, Skinningrove, TS13 4AN

The current trustees are set out below:

Clifford John Spedding, Sheila Robinson, Freda Lilian Thompson

### Declaration

The trustees' declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Clifford Spedding

30<sup>th</sup> December 2022

### **Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022**

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
Total Income	47,012.04	40,042.10
Expenditure:		
Consumables	(10,475.90)	(7,824.00)
Farm Feed	(2,479.04)	(2,271.46)
HP Payments	(1,674.09)	(2,232.12)
HP Interest	(272.99)	(363.99)
Motor Expenses	(2,737.47)	(2,210.75)
Projects	(12,092.60)	(9,493.70)
Repairs	(4,122.37)	(6,503.44)
Vet Fees	(3,672.02)	(3,454.61)
Light, Heat & Phone	(1,384.00)	(1,284.00)
Insurance	(1,343.52)	(1,231.52)
Total Expenses	(40,254.00)	(36,869.59)
Net Profit	6,758.04	3,172.51

### **Statement of Financial Position for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022**

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
Current Assets:		
Cash in hand and at bank	29,035.88	18,468.29
Current Liabilities:		
HP Liability	-	1,692.44
Net Assets	29,035.88	16,775.85