



TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2024

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THE RED FOUNDATION
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

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CHARITY INFORMATION

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

The Trustees have the pleasure in presenting their report and financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31st December 2024.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity Name	The Red Foundation	
Previous name (to July 2025)	The Red Foundation - Emergency Dachshund Rescue	
Registered Charity Number	1181158	England & Wales
	SC051936	Scotland
Address	The Barn Pentlow Sudbury Suffolk CO10 7JJ	
Chairman	S Compton	(Appointed 1st April 2024)
Trustees	V Wilson	General Manager
	K Abrams	Medical Support
	L Churchyard	(Resigned 27th May 2025)
	E Wishart	Lead Rehoming Case Worker
	H Boland	(Resigned 8th February 2024)
	S Harvey	(Appointed 24 February 2025) Compliance Specialist
Independent Examiner	Alex Stone FCCA Edmund Carr LLP 146 New London Road Chelmsford Essex CM2 0AW	

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Our principal objective is to relieve the suffering of Dachshunds and Dachshund Cross Breeds throughout the UK in need of care and attention and, in particular to provide and maintain rescue homes or other facilities for the reception, care and treatment of such animals surrendered to, or rescued by us. Also, to promote humane behaviour towards Dachshund and Dachshund Cross Breeds throughout the UK 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. In addition, we educate the public in matters pertaining to animal welfare in general and the prevention of cruelty and suffering among animals.

The Trustees confirm that the activities of the charity are undertaken to achieve the charity's aims with regard to the public benefit guidance issued by The Charity Commission.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

2024 was once again extremely challenging for The Red Foundation in terms of volume of dogs needing new homes and case worker capacity. Our waiting list remains in place, and we do not see an end to this process in the near future. Like most rescues we are working at capacity and our resources are stretched to the maximum.

During 2024 we saw a steady increase in the number of dogs with behaviour issues being surrendered for rehoming and we have adapted our policies and processes accordingly, and continue to do so through the annual policy and process refresh reviews. We only consider dogs who have bitten on a case by case basis, and require a full veterinary check and an assessment by an independent behaviourist before accepting any dog who has bitten.

We increased our case workers to 10 during 2024 and we continue to train new case workers to ensure our levels of active rehoming do not drop so substantially again. Following the successful introduction of a dedicated surrender team we also created a dedicated administration team to complete the administrative activities relating to the dogs in our care and to control the adherence to our policies and processes. This has enabled the core team of Trustees to focus on the controlled running of the charity, and on fundraising and increasing the profile of the charity.

The total number of dogs we were able to help in 2024 increased to 156 compared to 133 in 2003 due to the increase in the number of case workers we now have. However 2025 looks to be much busier and our rehoming numbers have exceeded 2024 numbers already this year. We are finding that rehoming generally takes much longer than previous years due to the lack of suitable homes available, and often the need for no other animal and children homes which are fewer and fewer.

Our lifetime care numbers continue to grow year on year, with the number of dogs currently suffering from IVDD, or have had it in the past being one of the main medical reasons for surrender. Our lifetime and medical dogs now total 305, which is an increase on the previous year, and 128 of these are IVDD care. Funding and fundraising are still extremely vital to ensure that we can cover any costs associated with these dogs. Despite the overall increase in the number of dogs requiring lifetime care we have seen our costs relating to vets fee reduce. This is attributed to the introduction of more conservative treatment for IVDD, and this has reduced our overall costs.

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- In April we had 15 runners in the London Landmarks Half Marathon again, and nearly £8,000 was raised through this event.
- Our lottery continues to run and raises funds monthly, however this hasn't taken off quite as well as expected, but we continue to advertise it to hopefully encourage new players. We are very grateful that it seems most people donate their winnings back to us when they win small prizes. So far the lottery has raised over £4,000 since its launch.
- We continue to raise funds via our online shop and online auction. Christmas is our busiest season, but we are selling items all year round now. In 2024 the shop raised £8,025 which is an increase on 2023 and the auction raised £3,699.
- We continue fundraising events via our Enthuse fundraising hub. In 2024 we hosted 2 events under the banner of "Spesh's Legacy".
 - A Summer Fun online dog show which we held in conjunction with Dedicated to Dachshunds with IVDD. The event raised over £2,800 which was split between both charities.
 - A Christmas Bingo event which raised £382.

We are continuing fundraising events into 2025 and onwards.

- In December 2024 we once again lit up our Tree of Remembrance and this year changed the format slightly which means that each name on the tree will remain there year after year. Owners have an option to also have a shape sent to them for their own tree, or they can also order a shape to be sent only to them as a Christmas decoration for their current dogs. We intend to do this every year, and in 2024 it raised £915.
- In May 2024 we launched "Wolfies Wish": a new fundraising campaign to help towards the cost of behaviour support for our fostered and adopted dogs. Wolfie was a dachshund who struggled with fear and anxiety throughout his life, and his mum Anna generously donated £2,500 in Wolfie's name to start the fundraising off. We intend to run several fundraising events in 2025 to add to this fund.
- Our Enthuse Platform has proved to be very successful and has given us the ability to run ticketed events, and also for our supporters to set up direct debits via the page. So far the total raised on Enthuse is £63,200

We continue to expand our Board of Trustees and we have re-structured to align overall accountability to key areas of the charity, and we continue to review and expand the Board.

Financial Review

Total income for 2024 was £173,420 (down £15,475 on 2023)

Total expenditure for 2024 was £155,474 (down £48,191 on 2023)

The majority of our costs were vets' fees, totalling £120,674, the majority of this made up of IVDD & Lifetime Care dogs totalling £73,075.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued)

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Reserves Policy

We currently have 305 Lifetime Care Dogs in our care (this includes IVDD). Reserves are required to fund the care of these dogs as well as our other charitable activities. Total funds at 31 December 2024 were £190,136 of which £1,850 were restricted. The unrestricted reserves balance at the end of 2024 was £188,286 which the Trustees consider sufficient to meet current commitments.

Structure, Governance and Management

The Red Foundation is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation and is governed by its constitution dated 13th December 2018.

New trustees are appointed by a resolution passed at a meeting of the existing trustees. In selecting individuals for appointment, the trustees have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO. The trustees make available to each new trustee, on or before his or her first appointment:

A copy of the current version of the constitution; and

A copy of the CIO's latest Trustees' Annual report and statement of accounts.

This annual report was approved by the trustees of the Charity on ~~17 Sept 2025~~ and is signed on their behalf by

Samantha Compton
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S Compton (Chairman)

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024 which are set out on pages 6 to 11.

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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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 charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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.

Alex Stone
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22 Sept 2025

THE RED FOUNDATION**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES****YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
INCOME from:					
Donations and legacies:	2	107,375	-	107,375	123,669
Charitable activities	3	54,321	-	54,321	52,517
Trading activities	4	11,724	-	11,724	12,709
TOTAL INCOME		<u>173,420</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>173,420</u>	<u>188,895</u>
EXPENDITURE on:					
Raising funds		3,471	-	3,471	3,077
Charitable activities	5	151,353	650	152,003	200,588
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		<u>154,824</u>	<u>650</u>	<u>155,474</u>	<u>203,665</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)/ NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		18,596	(650)	17,946	(14,770)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		169,690	2,500	172,190	186,960
Total funds carried forward		<u>188,286</u>	<u>1,850</u>	<u>190,136</u>	<u>172,190</u>

The notes on pages 8 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

		2024		2023	
	Note	£	£	£	£
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank		187,037		167,261	
Debtors	8	5,514		7,289	
		<u>192,551</u>		<u>174,550</u>	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>2,415</u>		<u>2,360</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			190,136		172,190
NET ASSETS			<u>190,136</u>		<u>172,190</u>
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY					
Restricted	10		1,850		2,500
Unrestricted			188,286		169,690
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS			<u>190,136</u>		<u>172,190</u>

These financial statements were approved by the Trustees on ...17 Sept 2025... and signed on their behalf by:

Samantha Compton
 S Compton
 Trustee

The notes on pages 8 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared in accordance with the statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2019.

The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The Red Foundation is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). It is a registered charity in England and Wales, and in Scotland and meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Incoming Resources

Donations are recognised when receivable.

Resources Expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. The majority of costs are attributable to specific charitable activities. Governance costs are associated with the governance arrangements of the charity.

Debtors and creditors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due. Creditors are recognised at their settlement amount.

Cash at bank

All funds are held within the charity's bank account.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)
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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Fund accounting

Funds held by the charity are either:

Unrestricted general funds – these are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.

Designated funds – these are funds set aside by the trustees out of unrestricted funds for specific future purposes or projects.

Restricted funds – these are funds that can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity.

Taxation

As the Red Foundation is a charity, it is exempt from taxation, other than VAT, to the extent that any income and gains are applied to its charitable objectives.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Donations and gift aid	104,375	-	104,375	123,669
Grants	3,000	-	3,000	-
	<u>107,375</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>107,375</u>	<u>123,669</u>
2023:	121,169	2,500	123,669	

3. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Adoption donations	54,321	-	54,321	52,517
	<u>54,321</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>54,321</u>	<u>52,517</u>
2023:	52,517	-	52,517	

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4. INCOME FROM RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£
Auction income	3,699	-	3,699	5,404
Shop income	8,025	-	8,025	7,305
	<u>11,724</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,724</u>	<u>12,709</u>
2023:	12,709	-	12,709	

5. CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£
Vet fees	120,674	-	120,674	175,313
Other dog welfare costs	4,565	650	5,215	2,415
Advertising and website	1,560	-	1,560	2,879
Office and administration	21,342	-	21,342	15,811
Travel and accommodation	512	-	512	975
Governance costs (note 6)	2,700	-	2,700	3,195
	<u>151,353</u>	<u>650</u>	<u>152,003</u>	<u>200,588</u>
2023:	188,953	11,635	200,588	

6. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	£	£
Fees payable to independent examiner	2,300	2,710
Legal and professional fees	400	485
	<u>2,700</u>	<u>3,195</u>

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7. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION

Payments totalling £13,537 were made to Vicky Wilson (Trustee) in the year in respect of administration services provided in accordance with the terms of the charity's governing document (2023 - £8,930).

8. DEBTORS

	2024 £	2023 £
Trade debtors	2,517	-
VAT	2,997	7,289
	<u>5,514</u>	<u>7,289</u>

9. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Accruals	2,415	2,360
	<u>2,415</u>	<u>2,360</u>

10. RESTRICTED FUNDS

Current year	Balance at 1 Jan 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at 31 Dec 2024 £
a) Medical costs fund	-	-	-	-
b) Clinical animal behaviourist fund	2,500	-	(650)	1,850
	<u>2,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(650)</u>	<u>1,850</u>

Prior year	Balance at 1 Jan 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at 31 Dec 2023 £
a) Medical costs fund	11,635	-	(11,635)	-
b) Clinical animal behaviourist fund	-	2,500	-	2,500
	<u>11,635</u>	<u>2,500</u>	<u>(11,635)</u>	<u>2,500</u>

- a) Grants were received in 2022 from Pets at Home Foundation, Jean Sainsbury Trust and Animal Friends Foundation towards the payment of vet fees.
- b) Donation received in 2023 for the Wolfies Wish campaign towards the cost of behaviour support for fostered and adopted dogs.
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