

# Crossing Cottage Greyhound Sanctuary

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER 2022<sup>3</sup>

	2023 £	2022 £
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
Kennel Fees	2,666.31	8,445.89
Adoption Fees	15,585.51	15,360.00
Trainer Donations	-	445.00
Fundraising	19,944.61	11,085.40
Sponsorship schemes	5,919.50	6,866.00
Other Donations	9,008.11	9,318.83
Sale of Goods	904.58	5,245.49
GBGB Bond Net Receipts	<u>40,800.00</u>	<u>34,800.00</u>
Total receipts	<u>94,828.62</u>	<u>91,566.61</u>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>		
Veterinary fees	22,051.76	22,445.73
Wages	38,078.38	32,135.74
Food	13,078.36	11,721.24
Kennel Costs	5,461.84	11,765.69
Fundraising Costs	3,269.44	3,306.09
Website	2,750.00	2,370.00
Cost of Goods Sold	416.06	2,600.69
Bank Charges	-	-
Homing costs	1,513.39	-
GBGB Bonds	<u>-</u>	<u>9,800.00</u>
Total payments	<u>86,619.23</u>	<u>96,145.18</u>
Net receipts	8,209.39	- 4,578.57
Funds at start of year	<u>719.13</u>	<u>5,297.70</u>
Cash funds at year end	<u><u>8,928.52</u></u>	<u><u>719.13</u></u>

## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT THE PERIOD END

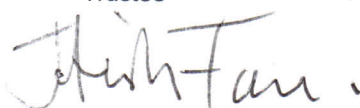
Cash at Bank	<u>8,928.52</u>	<u>719.13</u>
--------------	-----------------	---------------

These financial statements are prepared on a receipts and payments basis.  
Signed for and on behalf of Crossing Cottage Greyhound Sanctuary

Trustee



Trustee



# Crossing Cottage Greyhound Sanctuary

## Independent examiner's report on the accounts of Crossing Cottage Greyhound Sanctuary, Charity number 1184529

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ('the Trust') for the year ended 30th September 2023, which are set out on the previous page.

### 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').

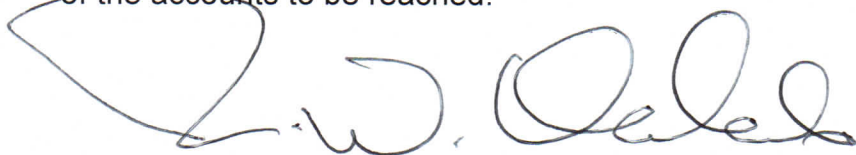
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

### 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

- 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.



R. W. Oakes  
B.A. CTA.  
David Mitchell Accountancy Ltd  
4 The Pound  
Cholsey  
Oxon  
OX10 9NS

Dated 25/06/2024

**Crossing Cottage Greyhound Sanctuary**

**t/a RGT East Midlands**

**Ossington lane**

**Sutton on Trent**

**NG23 6QR**

Annual General Meeting 2024

Minutes of the meeting held 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2024

Present:

David John Morton

Christine Miles

Jo Haigh-Tanner

Chris Marson

Matthew Sullivan

The trustees present their report for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

The accounts and all supporting documents for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2023 have been examined and checked by R W Oakes of David Mitchell Accountancy Ltd.

This year has seen both an increase in income and a decrease in expenditure, resulting in a boost to the cash at bank at the end of the year (£719.13 @ 30/09/2022 vs £8,928.52 @ 30/09/2023).

Income

Material increase in Fundraising Income (£8,859.21) primarily due to the Fifty Shades of Greyhound project and the Online Art Auction, together with an upturn in GBGB Bonds Received (£6,000). These increases were partially offset by reduced income in relation to Kennelling Fees (£5,779.58) and Sale of Goods (£4,340.91).

Expenditure

As ever, the largest areas of expenditure were in relation to Wages (£38,078.38) and Veterinary Fees (£22,051.76). There was an increase in our wages cost of appx 18.5% (£5,942.64). However it was

not necessary for us to make payments to GBGB in order to claim from their Bond Scheme which resulted in a saving of £9,800.

### Staffing

Staffing has been a challenge in the year to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2023. Both Tracy Ryan (Kennel Manager) and Tara Holland (Administrator) left the kennels during the financial year. The staffing costs were also impacted by Judith's poor health. She sadly passed away shortly after the end of the financial year.

Both the administration and kennel management has been picked up by Karen Turner-Nash, supported by a team of part-time employees and volunteers.

### Fundraising

We had great success with our new fundraising initiatives during the year, however it is important for us to attract and retain sponsors for the kennels and long-staying dogs in our care.

We continue to work with Agria Pet Insurance who offer 5 weeks free insurance for each dog homed, then if the owners continue their coverage with Agria we receive a bonus payment.

Our Christmas Raffle, Christmas Cards and calendar sales are always popular and again we attended the Greyhound Derby Final at Towcester Racecourse in July where we raised appx £3,000.

We plan to attend more events in the future, to promote the profile of greyhounds as pets and Crossing Cottage in particular, as well as to raise funds.

### Future Plans

We need to continue to attract and retain volunteers to help both at the kennels and at events. We also need to be more organised in our management of the volunteer team, so we can call on them when required.

We will continue with the GBGB Bond Scheme and maintain our relationship with Towcester Racecourse, as their dogs are funded at £6 per day.

We also need to explore more fundraising opportunities and increase engagement in our local community.