



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' annual report (including Directors' report) for the period

From: 01/07/2023 **To:** 30/06/2024

Charity name: STRAY2ME RESCUE

Charity registration number: 1186687

Company number: CE019835

Objectives and activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The objects of the CIO are, for the benefit of the public, to relieve the suffering of animals 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.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	*To provide financial assistance to rescuers in Romania sheltering stray & abandoned dogs & cats. * To find suitable, safe homes for said animals in Romania, Western Europe & the U.K. * To promote animal welfare in both Romania & the U.K. through education and the support of spay/neutering campaigns. *To support those wishing to adopt an animal by advising them and furnishing them with the appropriate knowledge in order to choose the companion animal that is right for them and their circumstances.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	Not applicable as no grant making is included in the charity's activities
Policy on social investment	Para 1.38	Not applicable

including program related investment		
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	The charity recognises the importance of volunteers in achieving their objectives and activities. The charity recognises the significant value of the time, knowledge, and experience that volunteers offer. The Trustees want to formally acknowledge and appreciate the impact of these volunteers.
Other		

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	The Trustees report to the general public that the Charity has developed its capabilities and activities during the fifth year of operations. The Charity's efficient processes facilitated by positive values and modern technologies have resulted in the recruitment of new volunteers, particularly from amongst adopters, who have enhanced and developed their skills whilst helping to raise the profile of the charity and support its work. The charity maintains a very strong brand identity, enhanced by bespoke merchandising, and an informative and educational website. This has helped the charity to educate, neuter, rescue and rehome cats and dogs from Romania. Some of the achievements are: • Raising over £72,000 towards foster, veterinary, and transport fees – a decline of 12% on the previous year while the UK population faced pressures on disposable income due to the rise in the cost of living; • The maintenance of approximately £5,000 in cash reserves for emergencies and potential costs of offering rescue back up to unsuccessful adoptions. This amount was reduced to £5,000 from the previous year's £10,000 due to the low rate of animals returned during the previous year; • Completing 2 neuter campaigns in Tulcea which resulted in 21 neutered cats and 62 neutered dogs preventing an increase of the stray population of over 10,000; • The successful rehoming of 79 animals during the year: 48 dogs (46 from Romania and 2 from the UK) and 31 cats (all from Romania). • The Trustees have been actively working on producing content and educating
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		prospective adopters on Brucella Canis, a zoonotic disease that has received a large volume of attention on social media and seen a large increase in vet bills for owners and adopters of dogs originating in Romania and other Eastern European countries due to the demand for post-import testing made by many practices. It is the Trustees' view that proactively informing prospective adopters and approaching veterinary clinics to seek confirmation on their policy regarding registering, testing and services provided to dogs who may test positive on UK tests will reduce the number of dogs returned to the Charity and only attract adopters who are willing and able to face any additional requirements imposed by their vets de-escalating any negative publicity given to the disease and foreign adoptions. • The Trustees have also included a serology test for Brucella Canis to their pre-import screening protocol for dogs in an attempt to minimise the risk of importing a Brucella Canis positive dog, and to reduce the likelihood of a false positive once tested in the UK. The Trustees have made the decision not to increase the adoption donation; however, the potential requests from vets for further testing once a dog is in the UK have resulted in increasing costs for adopters, and a subsequent reduction in successful adoption applications. • The Charity provides ongoing funding for sanctuary spaces and veterinary care for a number of traumatised dogs in Romania. Recognising that the dogs' medical needs are likely to grow as they age, the Charity has factored the anticipated increase in veterinary expenses into its future financial planning. The Trustees thank all the volunteers, donors, supporters, and followers for their efforts and look forward to continuing to operate the Charity in the years to come to benefit cats and dogs from disadvantaged backgrounds and humans in need of a companion.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising	Para 1.41	The Charity raised £72,733 (-12%) in the fifth year of operation. The board had forecast an income from donations and Gift

activities against objectives set		Aid of £77,000 in the same period and the shortfall has not resulted in concerns as to the Charity's solvency.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The Charity had £4,578 in its bank accounts and held with PayPal as of 30/06/2024. There were no bills issued by foster carers or veterinarians in Romania that were awaiting payment (creditors). The board allocated those funds to cash reserves to provide for emergencies in Romania and the UK and provisions for bills not yet issued.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Based on the first 4 years of operations rehoming dogs and cats to adopters directly, and taking into consideration the financial strain posed on adopters by the cost-of-living crisis, the board reviewed the risk of failed adoptions at 5% of animals imported and assumed an average stay of 3 months at licensed kennels at an average cost of £392 per animal which would require access to around £5,000 to meet financial obligations.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£4,578
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Donations, Gift Aid
Investment policy and	Para 1.46	N/A

objectives including any social investment policy adopted		
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The decision of rehoming dogs and cats directly means the Charity will assume the risk of failed adoptions and animals needing emergency boarding kennels. The trustees hold sufficient personal wealth to cover those costs may the charity not hold sufficient funds. The impact of the cost-of-living crisis on the general public's finances is likely to cause a medium-term decrease in income, therefore the board is aiming to broaden the number of supporters at a lower average donation.
Other		

Structure, governance and management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document: for example, trust deed , memorandum and articles of association etc	Para 1.25	CIO template governing document
How is the charity constituted? for example limited company , unincorporated association , CIO	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	(1) Apart from the first charity trustees, every trustee must be appointed for a term of one year by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees. (2) In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	

Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and administrative details

Charity name	STRAY2ME RESCUE
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1186687
Charity's principal address	3 rd Floor, 166 Upper Richmond Road, London, SW15 2SH

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Tina Collyer-Cook	Chairperson		
2	Georgiana Cava			
3	Mauro Orru	Treasurer		
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name	

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

The company has taken advantage of the small companies' exemption in preparing the report above.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report (including directors' report) above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees/directors

Signature(s)

	
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Full name(s)

Mauro Orru

Mauro Orru	
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Position (for example
Secretary, Chair, etc)

Trustee

Trustee	
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Date

29/04/2025

29/04/2025



CHARITY COMMISSION
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Charity Name
STRAY2ME RESCUE

No (if any)
1186687

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 01/07/2023	To	Period end date 30/06/2024
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
	72,733	-	-	72,733	82,855
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	72,733	-	-	72,733	82,855
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	72,733	-	-	72,733	82,855
A3 Payments					
	77,995	-	-	77,995	78,886
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	77,995	-	-	77,995	78,886
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	77,995	-	-	77,995	78,886
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 5,262	-	-	- 5,262	3,969
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	9,840	-	-	9,840	5,871
Cash funds this year end	4,578	-	-	4,578	9,840

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank Accounts	4,299	-	-
	PayPal	279	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	4,578	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Mauro Orru	29/04/2025



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name
STRAY2ME RESCUE

On accounts for the year
ended

30/06/2024

Charity no
(if any)

1186687

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **30 / 06 / 2024**.

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 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 (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

20/04/2025

Name:

Yuen Lam CHAN

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

ACCA

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London SE15 5LL

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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.