

**REGISTERED CHARITY 1188618**

**Buddy's Rural Animal Rescue**

**Report of the Trustees & Unaudited Financial Statement**

**For the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025**

**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 1188618**

**Charity Address**

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**TRUSTEES**

Peter Bowden – Chair

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The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025

## **OBJECTS & AIMS**

The objects of the charity

- A) For the benefit of the public to relieve the suffering of animals in need of care and attention, and to provide and maintain rescue homes or other facilities for the reception, care and treatment of such animals.
- B) To promote humane behaviour towards animals by providing care, protection, security and treatment for animals in need of attention by reason of sickness, maltreatment and to prevent the suffering among animals. To educate the public of good husbandry to all animals.

The Trustees are selected having regard to the skills, knowledge and experience which they can bring to assist the effective running of the charity and demonstrate commitment to the aims and objectives of the charity.

## **PUBLIC BENEFIT**

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance in the Charity's Commission General Guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Charity aims and objectives in planning future activities.

This Report was approved by the Trustees on 8<sup>th</sup> September 2025 and signed

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Peter Bowden (Chair)

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Jane Hill (Secretary)

Buddy's Rural Animal Rescue is a small Independent Charity in Somerset with a handful of volunteers working within our means to ensure we can honour every dog we take in and work with before placing them into the best home suited to their needs.

We focus primarily on Working Dogs and if the dog is young enough and has drive and enthusiasm then we will look to see where we feel they will be best placed eg Police, Conservation Therapy, Gun Dogs, Agility.

We pride ourselves on our home choices for each dog.

This year has been a very different year as we have not taken in the volume of dogs we have in previous years. The reason being we took in a very young puppy that someone had purchased and discovered when she got home the puppy was not able to walk properly... After seeing our vet we were told the Pup had a condition called Cerebellar Hypoplasia which is an underdeveloped brain that controls the movement of the body.. Dogs with this condition can go on to live fulfilled & Happy lives so rather than rehome him to yet another home he has stayed with us...We called him Finn and he went on to develop more problems which were gradually getting worse. He was regurgitating most days and was particularly bad come the night times, he was given meds which did not help the problem and after a slump one night where I was very concerned and rushed him to the vets, they kept him in as he had Aspiration Pneumonia which can be fatal. We were recommended to see a Specialist which took place two days later and after a series of tests Finn was diagnosed with Megaoesophagus which means the tube that moves food to the stomach becomes enlarged and weakened preventing food from entering the stomach causing regurgitation weight loss and Aspiration Pneumonia. A blood test was also done (AChR Antibody Test) which we had to wait a couple of weeks for the results which came back positive for Myasthenia Gravis. So Little Finn really drew the short straw when he was born with all

his problems. We have had to make a lot of adjustments to help Finn live a good quality of life..

Feeding Programme, Food weighed made up to a set consistency, fed in an upright position now on 3 times a day (was 4) and upright position for 15 minutes post feed, muzzled outside as will eat anything. Gets tired easily so is carried at intervals,

Finn is on medication which will probably be lifelong and its not cheap. And yes he has a good quality of life and is a happy little boy.

Finn is also the reason why I have only taken in a couple of dogs as I feel with everything he is going through it would be unwise to take in dogs that would upset the balance.

Rolo was donated to A&S Police and Dexter was donated to a Dog Trainer who could help Dexter become the Gundog he was meant to be. We had only one paid adoption for this year....

(But then its not about the money its about prioritising)

We have 4 long term rescues with us that will live their lives with us and two of our own)

## April 2024   Opening Balance   £10,601.21

Money In 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2024 to 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2025	£12,604.38
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Total	£23,205.59
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Money out   “”                      “”	£19,527.57
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(closing Bank Statement End of March 2025	£2,708.01
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### Money In

Donations	1273.00
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Agria Commission	880.51
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Dog Food into A/C	341.92
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Pay Pal Dog Food	9,658.95
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Adoption	450.00
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Total	£12,604.38
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#### Money Out

GA Pet Food	8,909.25
Car HP	2,225.76
Vets	5,422.33
Car Mainetnance & fuel	1,890.43
Kennels	400.00
Greens of Mendip	255.30
Dog Grooming	300.00
Stowey	186.80
 Total	 £19,589.87

Stowey / Canned Wet Food

Greens of Mendip / Goat Milk, Slippery Elm, Chew/Bones, etc Misc.....

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