



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	6	April	2024		5 th	April	2025

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Lucky's Legacy Rescue

Other names charity is known by

n/a

Registered charity number (if any)

1189471

Charity's principal address

14b Station Road

Skelmanthorpe

Huddersfield

Postcode

HD8 9AU

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	Estelle Wilkinson			n/a
2	April O'Connell			Estelle Wilkinson
3	Jack Saunders			Estelle Wilkinson
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
As Above	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
n/a		

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

n/a – As per trustee names above

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	CIO – Foundation. Registered 13 th May 2020
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	CIO
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Elected and appointed by Estelle Wilkinson - Founder

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Lucky's Legacy Rescue provides services and advocacy to help animals in need.

Working with shelters in Romania, assisting with the care and rehoming of dogs.

Providing after care support for adopters in the form of advice and training and where necessary rehoming or rehabilitating within the UK.

Lucky's Legacy Rescue has the following policies in place:

- Volunteer Management Policy
- Reserves Policy
- Risk Management Policy (This includes reference to financial, environmental, and political risks)
- Complaints Policy

Lucky's Legacy Rescue consists of 3 trustees and for the period of the annual report a total of 18 UK based volunteers. We partnered with 1 shelter in Romania for the period of the annual report.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

Lucky's Legacy Rescue objectives are to promote humane behaviours towards animals 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. And to educate the public in matters pertaining to animal welfare in general. And to prevent the cruelty and suffering among animals.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

<p>For the period 6th April 2024 to 5th April 2025 Lucky's Legacy Rescue engaged with 1 shelter in Romania (Solca Saved by the Vet), mainly for the purpose of supporting with the care of the animals and rehoming to safe and secure environments where they will be free from future harm.</p> <p>Lucky's Legacy Rescue volunteers and lead trustee Estelle Wilkinson continued to visit the shelter in Romania to ensure that the facilities and care of the shelter staff met with our high expectations of standard for animal care. This also allowed us to assess dogs which enabled a more robust matching process for rehoming.</p> <p>Lucky's Legacy Rescue has a robust rehoming application process, which involves pre-screening application, telephone interview and home check. All rehoming decisions are made collectively by the rehoming team and no unilateral rehoming decisions are made. This ensures the avoidance of any conflict of interest between potential adopter and volunteer and ensures that a wide variety of perspectives are taken.</p> <p>Lucky's does not rehome adult rescue dogs to families with children under 4 years old to ensure the safety of the children and prevent dogs that may have unknown histories becoming triggered in an environment where young children reside.</p> <p>In addition to the care and rehoming of the animals, Lucky's Legacy Rescue also raises funds to support spay & neuter campaigns. These campaigns are critical to getting to the root cause of the stray dog population issues in Romania.</p> <p>All Lucky's Legacy Rescue trustees have signed and adhere to the Charities commissions 'Declaration of Eligibility and Responsibility'</p>
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Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

<p>You may choose to include further statements, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • policy on grantmaking; • policy programme related investment; • contribution made by volunteers. 	<p>n/a</p>
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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

For the period 6th April 2024 to 5th April 2025 Lucky's Legacy Rescue achieved the following:

- 66 dogs rehomed, which is an increase on the previous year due to the DEFRA ban being lifted. This allowed us to continue with the great work of rehoming that had been impacted the previous year by the ban.
- 525 cats and dogs spayed or neutered as part of a campaign in partnership with a local veterinary surgery, the numbers remain consistently high and is something we are very proud of as it tackles the root cause issue of stray animals.
- During this period there was an increase in the spend on UK kennel fees, this was due to an intentional shift in focus on rehabilitating animals and providing behavioural training of animals prior to rehoming.

We have found that this method over direct adoptions straight from Romania into homes has allowed us to better understand the status of dogs behaviour and work to improve the success rate of adoptions via improved behaviour through training and/or making better more informed rehoming / matching selections in a bid to reduce the likelihood of an adoption being unsuccessful and having to rehome an animal that has already been adopted once. Putting less strain on the charity but also minimising the detrimental impact this can have on the animals themselves.

- During this year we also continued to support enhancements to the shelter environment as follows:
 - Paving more of the common areas to provide better access and make cleaning easier to reduce contamination or spread of any diseases and meet DSV requirements
 - Improved sewage system
 - Repair of kennel floors
 - Concrete maintenance in shelter pens
 - Addition of new and repair of older fence panels
 - Amendments to kennels to provide direct access to play areas
 - Improvements to the indoor and outdoor cattery
 - New roof system over outdoor pens

All of the above ensure the shelter environment continues to adhere to the local legislative requirements; in addition to further enriching the lives of the animals that are housed there either temporarily ahead of being rehomed or on a longer term basis in a sanctuary capacity.

Lucky's Legacy Rescue is entirely volunteer lead and supported, this is something we are extremely proud of. All our volunteers give their free time to support in various aspects of the day to day running of the charity such as social media, rehoming, administration, and practical volunteering with our partner shelters in Romania.

All funds raised go towards the care, rehoming, and rehabilitation of the animals.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Lucky's Legacy Rescue has a Reserves Policy which can be viewed by request at any time.

Our policy outlines our intent to where possible spend funds raised as soon as possible.

The use of reserve funds held allows us to draw down funds in the event of an emergency such as sudden or unexpected veterinary treatment for an animal in our care, for example lifesaving surgery.

Our reserve funds also allow us to provide back up support to adopters if UK rehoming and/or rehabilitation is required.

By maintaining some reserve funds this means that the day to day running of the charity is not disrupted in these eventualities.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

n/a

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Lucky's Legacy Rescue funds principally arise from donations from the general public, predominantly within the UK.

For the period of the annual report, Lucky's Legacy Rescue received no government grant or funding.

Section F


Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	April Sian	O'Connell
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	
Date	18/1/26	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Lucky's Legacy Rescue

1189471

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

4/6/2024

To

4/5/2025

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Adoption Fees	18,480	-	-	18,480	22,275
Donations	39,549	-	-	39,549	43,586
Sponsorship	39,484	-	-	39,484	49,606
Bank interest	103	-	-	103	61
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	97,616	-	-	97,616	115,528
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	97,616	-	-	97,616	115,528
A3 Payments					
Insurance	828	-	-	828	428
Telephone / Website & Postage and admin	847	-	-	847	1,137
Donation to romanian shelter inc vet bills and spay & neuter	54,767	-	-	54,767	69,458
Romania Transport	11,829	-	-	11,829	16,179
Volunteer Expenses	2,649	-	-	2,649	2,040
UK kennels, vets and shelter kennel supplies	18,361	-	-	18,361	8,318
Bank charges	874	-	-	874	1,033
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	90,155	-	-	90,155	98,593
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	90,155	-	-	90,155	98,593
Net of receipts/(payments)	7,461	-	-	7,461	16,935
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	93,003	-	-	93,003	76,068
Cash funds this year end	100,464	-	-	100,464	93,003

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	Starling	3,046	-	-
	Virgin	22,579	-	-
	Paypal	75,839	-	-
	Total cash funds	101,464	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
	n/a	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	n/a		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	n/a		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	n/a		-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Lucky's Legacy Rescue

On accounts for the year
ended

05/04/2025

Charity no
(if any)

1189471

Set out on pages

N/A

(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 **05 / 04 / 2025**.

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 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.

Signed:

S. Whittaker

Date:

27/01/26

Name:

Steven Whittaker

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

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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.

N/A