

# RETIRED GREYHOUNDS CANTERBURY

England & Wales · Charity number 1190386

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2020-07-13

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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**Website** [www.retiredgreyhoundscanterbury.co.uk](http://www.retiredgreyhoundscanterbury.co.uk)

## Activities

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**Objects:** THE OBJECT OF THE CIO IS: FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT TO PROMOTE HUMANE BEHAVIOUR TOWARDS ANIMALS BY PROVIDING APPROPRIATE CARE, PROTECTION, TREATMENT AND SECURITY FOR GREYHOUNDS WHICH ARE IN NEED OF CARE AND ATTENTION BY REASON OF RETIREMENT FROM THE RACING INDUSTRY, SICKNESS, MALTREATMENT, POOR CIRCUMSTANCES AND ILL USAGE, REHOMING SUCH GREYHOUNDS WHERE POSSIBLE AND EDUCATING THE PUBLIC IN MATTERS PERTAINING TO RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNERSHIP AND THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY AND SUFFERING AMONG DOGS, WITH A PARTICULAR FOCUS ON RETIRED RACING GREYHOUNDS.

**Activities:** For the public benefit to promote humane behaviour towards animals by providing appropriate care, protection, treatment and security for greyhounds which are in need of care and attention by reason of retirement from the racing industry, sickness, maltreatment, poor circumstances and ill usage, rehoming such greyhounds where possible and educating the public in matters pertaining to responsible do

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Animals
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups

## Geography

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- Throughout England

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-05	£97,529	£70,349	-	-
2024-04-05	£71,293	£72,759	-	-
2023-04-05	£74,890	£76,307	-	-
2022-04-05	£95,669	£88,661	-	-
2021-04-05	£79,615	£47,785	-	-

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
<b>Robert Keith Tice</b>	Chair	2025-02-22
Caroline Pick		2025-02-22
David James Almond		2022-10-24
Graham Hadaway		2020-06-16
John Whittaker		2020-06-16

**RETIRED GREYHOUNDS CANTERBURY**

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# Accounts

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**REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: CE022510 (England and Wales)**

**REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 1190386**

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES  
AND  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025  
FOR  
RETIRED GREYHOUNDS CANTERBURY**

**Prepared by  
Mrs Jennifer Sherwood  
29 Cherry Orchard  
Chestfield, Kent  
CT5 3NH**

**RETIRED GREYHOUNDS CANTERBURY**

**REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 1190386**

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**TRUSTEE'S ANNUAL REPORT**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Registered Company number**  
CE022510 (England and Wales)

**Registered Charity number**  
1190386

**Registered Office**  
c/o Rosedale Kennels  
Rusham Road  
Shatterling  
Canterbury  
CT3 1JL

**Trustees (as at date of signing)**

Sarah WESTLAKE (resigned 22 Feb 2025)  
David James ALMOND  
Robert Keith TICE  
John WHITTAKER  
Alun WILLIAMS (resigned 14 April 2025)  
Graham HADAWAY  
Caroline PICK

**Bankers**

CAF Bank Limited  
Kings Hill Avenue  
Kings Hill  
West Malling  
Kent  
ME19 4JQ

**TRUSTEE'S ANNUAL REPORT**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

**GOVERNING DOCUMENT**

The charity is constituted as a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) and is governed by its constitution, last amended 10th July 2020. It was entered into the Register of Charities on 13th July 2020.

**ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE**

Retired Greyhounds Canterbury is a public benefit entity whose objects are to promote humane behaviour towards animals by providing appropriate care, protection, treatment and security for greyhounds which are in need of care and attention by reason of retirement from the racing industry, sickness, maltreatment, poor circumstances and ill usage, rehoming such greyhounds where possible and educating the public in matters pertaining to responsible dog ownership and the prevention of cruelty and suffering among dogs, with a particular focus on retired racing greyhounds.

Retired Greyhounds Canterbury currently has 5 trustees who support the work of the charity. They collaborate with the treasurer, who also serves as a trustee, and the kennels manager to advance the objectives of the CIO.

**RISK MANAGEMENT**

In addition to making sure that the proper procedures are in place to offer a reasonable level of assurance against fraud and error, the trustees have a responsibility to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed. These responsibilities are fulfilled by an independent examination of our annual report and accounts, a frequent evaluation of our risk assessment processes, ongoing monitoring, and appropriate action where necessary. Trustee meetings take place frequently throughout the year.

**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

Significant activities

The trustees use the Charity Commission's recommendations on public benefit when organising the charity's operations. The trustees specifically consider how scheduled activities will support the charity's goals and objectives.

In addition to advocating for the humane treatment of greyhounds and increasing public awareness of them, our purpose also includes providing essential care and safety for the dogs that are brought into our care while they are looking for new homes.

Our goal is to rehome such greyhounds when it is feasible and to give suitable care, protection, treatment, and security for greyhounds that require it due to illness, abuse, bad conditions, or retirement from the racing industry. Also educating the public in matters pertaining to responsible dog ownership and the prevention of cruelty and suffering among dogs, with a particular focus on retired racing greyhounds.

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**ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE**

Every person connected to the charity rose to the challenges of finding new homes for the greyhounds within the fiscal year 2024-2025. The rising cost of living for all parties involved—including prospective adoptees—made this increasingly challenging. The events team, manned by a group of dedicated volunteers, continued to attend a number of organised events in the county of Kent, these currently are Pawfest, Greyfest, Paws in the Park, Staple country fayre and Dog Show, Chestfield Fun Day, Quex Park Kent County Show and Lord Whisky Fun Day. Additionally, where requested the team have undertaken ad-hoc attendance at local events with the aim to further promote the charities aims and objectives. Further to these there are two organised monthly walks at Botany Bay and Liminge, these are primarily attended by adoptees of greyhounds, from the charity. The walks raise public awareness of the charity's rehoming side and to allow the opportunity to increase donations. Furthermore, it gives adoptees the opportunity to talk about issues they may have with their own animals.

The dog walking volunteers continued to help the charity by offering enrichment activities for the greyhounds away from the kennels, which enhanced awareness about the re-homing part of the organisation.

The charity is honoured to work in conjunction with the Pets Foundation Charity. This avails the charity to partake in awareness days at their local Pets at Home premises. Volunteers from the charity attend a specific number of days at the stores, notably at Easter and Christmas, these plan events generate significant income for the charity.

The collaborative efforts of the events team, dog walkers, volunteers at Pets at Home, and the individual who regularly attends the Central Park track in Sittingbourne each Saturday evening collectively generate substantial financial contributions that support the charity's rehoming objectives.

Between April 2024 and March 2025, forty-six dogs were re-homed through the efforts of various groups. This figure is marginally lower than that of the previous year, attributed to current economic conditions. The rehoming challenge is a national concern affecting numerous charities.

The charity works with Arena Racing Company (ARC), which manages the Central Park Racing (CP) track in Sittingbourne. The kennel manager communicates regularly with representatives from the company to maintain working arrangements.

**FUTURE PLANS**

Preserving the charity's finances is a top priority for the upcoming fiscal year.

We will keep continue to build on relationships with current supporters of the charity and explore alternative methods of income generation and ways of raising the profile of the charity.

The charity maintains £23,243 in a separate account as contingency reserve funds.

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**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

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**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

The charity has, for financial prudence and by mutual agreement with the kennels, reduced the number of dogs directly in the care of the charity. This has aided us in maintaining our financial stability and carrying on with the retired greyhounds who come to us for re-homing.

Our primary sources of funding include homing donations made by new owners at the time of adoption, as well as income fees linked to each greyhound, which will going forward also be supported by the Greyhound Board of Great Britain because we are one of their certified homing centres.

Donations are collected at events on an ad hoc basis, and individuals can contribute by standing order or by completing Gift Aid forms, which generates additional income.

Our capacity and approach for fundraising are still being developed. Our priorities still include developing direct relationships with individuals and groups within the community and creating excellent presentation materials. Additionally, we will continue our relationship with Pets at Home Stores in Ashford and Sittingbourne to maintain our status as preferred charity partners.

The charity's contingency reserve fund was originally set up in case of exceptional veterinary fees for any individual dog that came into our care. This was to ensure that any dog could receive treatment if needed without finances restricting the provision of required care and treatment, thereby not compromising the health and wellbeing of dogs in the care of the charity.

Additionally, to make sure:

- RGC has sufficient funds to meet its obligations as they fall due
- RGC can allow for contingencies which may arise – such as:
  - a) loss of a major supporter
  - b) an orderly closure of the charity being required

**THE TRUSTEES THANK**

The staff and volunteers at Rosedale kennels without whom the charity could not exist. Our volunteers for their enthusiasm and commitment to everything we do and our donors who generously support the charity and enable its continuance.

**STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES**

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards.

**TRUSTEE'S ANNUAL REPORT**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

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Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP.
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business

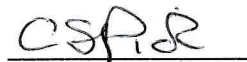
Trustees are tasked with maintaining accurate accounting records that reflect the financial status of the charitable organisation and ensure compliance with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for protecting the charity's assets and implementing reasonable measures to prevent and identify fraud or other irregularities.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on

and signed on its behalf by:



ROBERT TICE



CAOLINE PICK

CAROLINE

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts *of Retired Greyhounds Canterbury* for the year ended 31 March 2025.

**Responsibilities and basis of the 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 material respect:

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.

**Name of examiner:** Mrs Jennifer Sherwood FCA

**Address:** 29 Cherry Orchard, Chestfield, Kent, CT5 3NH

**Date:**

**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 2025	Total funds 2024
	£	£	£	£
<b>Receipts</b>				
Donations	62,058		62,058	46,268
Fundraising	712		712	245
Gift aid	3,858		3,858	2,496
Dogs in	-		-	-
Dogs out	6,075		6,075	4,018
GBGB (Greyhound Board of Great Britain)	18,700		18,700	16,000
Other (including commission and legacy income)	4,250		4,250	-
Sales of Greyhound Equipment	1,496		1,496	1,990
	97,149	-	97,149	71,017
<b>Investment income</b>				
Bank interest	380		380	276
	97,529	-	97,529	71,293
<b>Payments</b>				
<b>Charitable activities</b>				
Kennelling	56,277		56,277	62,691
Veterinary	8,357		8,357	6,012
Purchases of Greyhound Equipment	1,285		1,285	766
Purchases of goods for resale	1,109		1,109	335
Branch equipment	318		318	612
Volunteer expenses	95		95	15
Costs for maintenance	103		103	835
RGC Vehicle expenses	355		355	556
Insurance	1,054		1,054	497
Bank and card machine charges	175		175	60
Website hosting	135		135	-
GBGB (Greyhound Board of Great Britain)	700		700	200
Independent Examiner Fee	350		350	-
Repayments	36		36	180
	70,349	-	70,349	72,759
	27,180	-	27,180	- 1,466
Cash funds last year end	31/03/2024		45,589	47,055
Cash funds this year end	31/03/2025		72,769	45,589

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

	<u>Unrestricted</u> funds	<u>Restricted</u> funds	<u>Total</u> funds 2025	<u>Total</u> funds 2024
	£	£	£	£
<b>Assets</b>				
Cash funds				
CAF Cash A/c	49,526	-	49,526	32,726
CAF Gold A/c	23,243	-	23,243	12,863
	<u>72,769</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>72,769</u>	<u>45,589</u>
Gift aid				
HMRC	1,145	-	1,145	1,196
<b>Total assets</b>	<u>73,914</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>73,914</u>	<u>46,785</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>				
<b>Kennelling</b>				
March 2025	6,370	-	6,370	5,870
<b>Veterinary</b>				
March 2025		-	-	851
<b>Total payments</b>	<u>6,370</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,370</u>	<u>6,721</u>

Sign on behalf of the trustees of the board on \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: *R. Tice*

Date: 26/10/2025

Print name: ROBERT TICE

Signature: *CSP.P*

Date: 26/10/2025

Print name: CAROLINE PICK

**RETIRED GREYHOUNDS CANTERBURY**

England & Wales - Charity number 1190386

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# Accounts

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REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: CE022510 (England and Wales)  
REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 1190386

REPORT OF THE  
TRUSTEES AND  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024  
FOR  
RETIRED GREYHOUNDS CANTERBURY

Prepared by

RETIREd GREYHOUNDS CANTERBURY  
REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 1190386

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RETIRED GREYHOUNDS CANTERBURY  
REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 1190386

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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CE022510 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number  
1190386

Registered Office  
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Shatterling  
Canterbury  
CT3 1-JL

Trustees (as at date of signing)

Sarah WESTLAKE  
David James ALMOND  
Robert Keith TICE  
John WHITTAKER  
Alun WILLIAMS

Bankers

CAF Bank Limited  
Kings Hill Avenue  
Kings Hill  
West Malling  
Kent  
ME19 4JQ

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

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Retired Greyhounds Canterbury currently has 6 trustees who support the work of the charity. They work with a treasurer (who is also a trustee) and the kennels manager to further the work of the CIO.

### Risk management

In addition to making sure that the proper procedures are in place to offer a reasonable level of assurance against fraud and error, the trustees have a responsibility to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed. These responsibilities are fulfilled by an independent examination of our annual report and accounts, a frequent evaluation of our risk assessment processes, ongoing monitoring, and appropriate action where necessary. Generally, trustee meetings take place frequently throughout the year.

### OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

#### Significant activities

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### ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Every person connected to the charity rose to the challenges of finding new homes for the greyhounds within the fiscal year 2023—2024. The rising cost of living for all parties involved—including prospective adoptees—made this increasingly challenging. Our events team volunteers attended Pawfest, Greyfest, Paws in the Park, Staple Dog Show, Stowting County Fayre and Dog Show, Applause for Paws, Ickham

County Fayre, Chestfield Fun Day, Quex Park Kent County Show, Lord Whisky Fun Day, a quiz night and Deal Primary School during this time and as well as in the summer of 24. Additionally, over 20 monthly walks, were held to raise awareness of the charity's rehoming side and to increase donations. Furthermore, we are also honoured to be a part of The Pets Foundation Charity, who allow us to partake in awareness days at their local Pets at Home premises. All of this hard work resulted in resulted in fifty-eight dogs being rehomed from April 2023 to March 2024. This takes into consideration the dogs that were returned because of the economic climate and post pandemic boom. Furthermore, our dog walking volunteers continued to help the charity by offering enrichment activities for the greyhounds away from the kennels, which enhanced awareness about the re-homing part of the organisation.

### FUTURE PLANS

Preserving the charity's finances is a top priority for the upcoming fiscal year.

We will keep looking into and building relationships with companies that have previously sponsored RGC in addition to exploring other sources of income.

The charity maintains £12864.53 in a separate account as contingency reserve funds.

### FINANCIAL REVIEW

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Our primary sources of funding include homing donations made by new owners at the time of adoption, as well as income fees linked to each greyhound, which will going forward also be supported by the Greyhound Board of Great Britain because we are one of their certified homing centres.

We carry out various ad hoc collections of donations at events and encourage people to both donate by standing order and / or complete Gift Aid forms in our favour to generate additional income,

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Additionally, to make sure:

- RGC has sufficient funds to meet its obligations as they fall due
- RGC can allow for contingencies which may arise — such as:
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### THE TRUSTEES THANK

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### STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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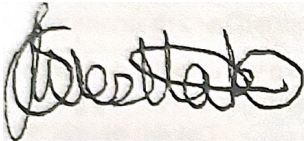
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- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP -  
make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

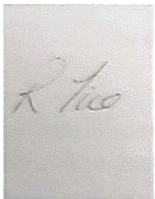
Approved by order of the board of trustees on 5 January 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

Sarah-Jayne Westlake Trustee



Date 05/01/2025

Robert Tice - Trustee



Date 05/01/2025

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF  
REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 1190386

RETIRED GREYHOUNDS CANTERBURY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Retired Greyhounds Canterbury for the year ended 31 March 2024

Responsibilities and basis of the 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 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 45(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:

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.



Name of examiner: Mrs Jennifer Sherwood FCA  
Address: 29 Cherry Orchard, Chestfield, Kent, CT5 3NH  
Date: 27 Jan 2025

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Unrestricted	Restricted funds	<u>Total</u> funds <u>2024</u>	<u>Total</u> 2023
<b>Receipts</b>				
Donations	46,268		46,268	44,487
Fundraising	245		245	
Gift aid	2,496		2,496	2,870
Dogs in				
Dogs out	4,018		4,018	4,973
GBGB (Greyhound Board of Great Britain)	16,000		16,000	20,800
Sales of Greyhound Equipment	<u>71,090</u>		<u>71,090</u>	1,674
	276		276	74,804
<b>Investment income</b>				
Bank interest <sup>86</sup>	<u>71,293</u>		<u>71,293</u>	
<b>Payments</b>				
<b>Charitable activities</b>				
Kennelling	62,691		62,691	56,891
Veterinary	6,012		6,012	12,005
Purchases of Greyhound Equipment	766		766	1,210
Purchases of goods for resale	335		335	1,000
Branch equipment	612		612	727
Volunteer expenses	15		15	281
Costs for maintenance	835		835	

RGC Vehicle expenses	556	556	1,524
Insurance	497	497	497
Bank charges	60	60	72
GBGB (Greyhound Board of Great Britain)	200	200	2.100
	180	180	

Total receipts 74,890

Repayments

Total payments

72,759

76,307

Cash funds Last year end 31/03/2023

47,055

47,055

48,472

Net of receipts / payments 1,466,146

Cash funds this year end 31/03/2024 45,589 45,589 47,055 RETIRED GREYHOUNDS CANTERBURY REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 1190386

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Total funds	funds
	S	2024	2023	

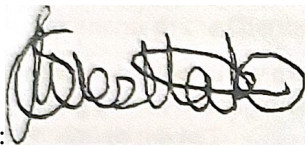
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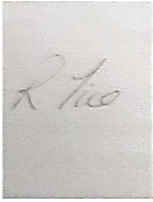
Gift aid	1,196		1,196	835
Total assets	<u>46,785</u>	-	<u>46,785</u>	<u>47,890</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Kennelling				
March 2024	5,870	-	5,870	5,001
<b>Veterinary</b>				
956	851	-	851	956 <sup>24</sup>
Total payments	<u>6,721</u>	-	<u>6,721</u>	<u>5,957</u>

Sign on behalf of the trustees of the board on \_\_\_\_\_



Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 31/01/2025 \_\_\_\_\_

Print name: Sarah Westlake \_\_\_\_\_



Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date; 31/01/2025 \_\_\_\_\_

Print name: Robert Tice \_\_\_\_\_

**RETIRED GREYHOUNDS CANTERBURY**

England & Wales - Charity number 1190386

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# Accounts

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REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: CE022510 (England and Wales)  
REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 1190386

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES  
AND  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023  
FOR  
RETIRED GREYHOUNDS CANTERBURY

Prepared by  
PMS Business Services  
22 Dorset Road  
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**RETIRED GREYHOUNDS CANTERBURY**  
**REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 1190386**

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**RETIRED GREYHOUNDS CANTERBURY**  
**REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 1190386**

**TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Registered Company number**  
CF022510 (England and Wales)

**Registered Charity number**  
1190386

**Registered Office**  
c/o Rosedale Kennels  
Rusham Road  
Shatterling  
Canterbury  
CT3 1JL

**Trustees (as at date of signing)**

Sarah WESTLAKE  
David James ALMOND  
Robert Keith TICE  
John WHITTAKER  
Alun WILLIAMS

**Bankers**

CAF Bank Limited  
Kings Hill Avenue  
Kings Hill  
West Malling  
Kent  
ME19 4JQ

## **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

### **Governing document**

The charity is constituted as a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) and is governed by its constitution last amended 10th July 2020. It was entered into the Register of Charities on 13th July 2020.

### **Organisational structure**

Retired Greyhounds Canterbury is a public benefit entity whose objects are to promote humane behaviour towards animals by providing appropriate care, protection, treatment and security for greyhounds which are in need of care and attention by reason of retirement from the racing industry, sickness, maltreatment, poor circumstances and ill usage, rehoming such greyhounds where possible and educating the public in matters pertaining to responsible dog ownership and the prevention of cruelty and suffering among dogs, with a particular focus on retired racing greyhounds.

Retired Greyhounds Canterbury currently has 6 trustees who support the work of the charity. They work with a treasurer (who is also a trustee) and the kennels manager to further the work of the CIO.

### **Risk management**

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed, and to ensure that appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error. These duties are met by a regular review of our risk assessment procedures, by constant monitoring and action taken where appropriate, and by Independent Examination of our annual report and accounts. Trustee meetings are held approximately every two months.

## **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

### **Significant activities**

In planning the activities of the charity, the trustees refer to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission with regard to public benefit. In particular the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives of the charity.

**Our Vision is to be instrumental in the care and protection of those greyhounds which come into our care in search of a new home and to educate people about greyhounds and promote the humane treatment of them.**

Our Purpose is to provide appropriate care, protection, treatment and security for greyhounds which are in need of care and attention by reason of retirement from the racing industry, sickness, maltreatment, poor circumstances and ill usage, rehoming such greyhounds where possible and educating the public in matters pertaining to responsible dog ownership and the prevention of cruelty and suffering among dogs, with a particular focus on retired racing greyhounds.

#### ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Throughout the financial year 2022-2023, everyone associated with the organisation rose to the challenges of rehoming the greyhounds. This was made more difficult by the rise in the expense of living for everyone involved, including potential adoptees. During this time, our events team volunteers visited a total of 6 events, some of which were two day events. Additionally, 20 monthly walks, were held to raise awareness of the charity's rehoming side and to increase donations. This resulted in fifty-eight dogs being re-homed from January 2022-January 2023. This takes into consideration the dogs that were returned because of the economic climate and post pandemic boom.

Furthermore, our dog walking volunteers continued to help the charity by offering enrichment activities for the greyhounds away from the kennels, which enhanced awareness about the rehoming part of the organisation.

#### FUTURE PLANS

Our AGM was held on February 19, 2023, with the next one scheduled for March, 2024.

A crucial focus for the forthcoming fiscal year is safeguarding the charity's financial stability.

We will continue to investigate and create ties with corporations that have previously supported RGC, as well as alternative revenue streams, particularly in respect to dogs that must remain with the charity for the whole of their lives owing to our policy of never euthanising a healthy dog.

The charity has a contingency reserve money of £12587 in a separate account.

#### FINANCIAL REVIEW

We are proud that this financial year, as an independent charity we have been able to show a surplus in funds which in turn will allow us to increase the number of greyhounds the charity is supporting in kennels at any one time

Our main income is from donations and income fees attached to each greyhound which moving forward will also be supported by the Greyhound Board of Great Britain due to our status as an approved homing centre with them, and then homing donations paid by new owners at the point of adoption

We carry out various ad hoc collections of donations at events and encourage people to both donate by standing order and / or complete Gift Aid forms in our favour to generate additional income.

We continue to develop our fundraising strategy and capacity. We remain focused on making personal contacts with people and organisations in the community, and on producing high-quality presentational material. We will also be reapplying for continued preferred charity partner status with Pets at Home Stores in Ashford and Sittingbourne

The charity's contingency reserve fund is held so that:

- RGC has sufficient funds to meet its obligations as they fall due
- RGC can allow for contingencies which may arise - the main ones identified being:
  - a) loss of a major supporter
  - b) an orderly closure of the charity being required

#### THE TRUSTEES THANK

The staff and volunteers at Rosedale kennels without whom the charity could not exist. Our volunteers for their enthusiasm and commitment to everything we do and our donors who generously support the charity and enable its continuance.

#### STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources

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and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 08/01/2024 and signed on its behalf by:



SARAH WESTLAKE TRUSTEE



Alun Williams

Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF  
REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 1190386**

**RETIRED GREYHOUNDS CANTERBURY**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of **Retired Greyhounds Canterbury** for the year ended 31 March 2023.

**Responsibilities and basis of the 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 material respect:

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.

**Name of examiner:** Pauline Southgate BSC (Hons)

**Name of firm:** PMS Business Services

**Address:** 22 Dorset Road, Merton Park, London SW19 3HA

**Date:** xxxxxxxxxxxxxx

RETIRED GREYHOUNDS CANTERBURY  
REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 1190386

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Last Year £
<b>Receipts</b>				
Donations	44,487	-	44,487	32,123
Gift Aid	2,870	-	2,870	1,922
Dogs In	0	-	0	3,400
Dogs Out	4,974	-	4,974	12,130
GBGB (Greyhound Board of Great Britain)	20,800	-	20,800	44,400
Sales of Greyhound Equipment	1,674	-	1,674	1,692
	<u>74,804</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>74,804</u>	<u>95,667</u>
<b>Investment income</b>				
Bank Interest	86	-	86	2
	<u>74,890</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>74,890</u>	<u>95,669</u>
<b>Payments</b>				
<b>Charitable activities</b>				
Kennelling	56,891	-	56,891	55,383
Veterinary	12,006	-	12,006	14,666
Purchases of Greyhound Equipment	1,210	-	1,210	1,482
Purchases of Goods for Resale	1,000	-	1,000	72
Branch Equipment	727	-	727	1,948
Volunteer expenses	281	-	281	194
RGC Vehicle expenses	1,524	-	1,524	1,348
Insurance	497	-	497	497
Bank Charges	72	-	72	171
GBGB (Greyhound Board of Great Britain)	2,100	-	2,100	12,900
	<u>76,307</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>76,307</u>	<u>88,661</u>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>76,307</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>76,307</b>	<b>88,661</b>
<b>Net of receipts/payments</b>	<b>-1,417</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-1,417</b>	<b>7,008</b>
<b>Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>46,024</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>46,024</b>	<b>46,024</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>44,607</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>44,607</b>	<b>47,056</b>

RETIRED GREYHOUNDS CANTERBURY

CHARITY NO 1190386

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Last Year £
<b>ASSETS</b>				
<b>Cash funds</b>				
CAF Cash A/c	34,468	-	34,468	33,523
CAF Gold A/c	12,587	-	12,587	12,501
<b>Unbanked cheques</b>				
Dogs In	-	-	-	200
Dogs Out	-	-	-	325
Donations	-	-	-	125
<b>Gift Aid</b>				
Via HMRC	835	-	835	785
Via CAF	-	-	-	12
	<u>47,891</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>47,891</u>	<u>47,471</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
<b>Kennelling</b>				
March 2023	5,001	-	5,001	5,001
<b>Veterinary</b>				
March 2023	956	-	956	-
	<u>5,957</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,957</u>	<u>5,001</u>

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

Signature



Print Name

SARAH WESTLAKE.

Signature

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Print Name

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Date of Approval

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**RETIRED GREYHOUNDS CANTERBURY**

England & Wales - Charity number 1190386

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**REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: CE022510 (England and Wales)**  
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**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

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CE022510 (England and Wales)

**Registered Charity number**  
1190386

**Registered Office**  
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Shatterling  
Canterbury  
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**Trustees (as at date of signing)**  
Nicola Joan Anne Crowhurst  
Tracey Jacqueline Lee  
John Whittaker

**Bankers**  
CAF Bank Limited  
Kings Hill Avenue  
Kings Hill  
West Malling  
Kent  
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## **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

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Retired Greyhounds Canterbury currently has 3 trustees who support the work of the charity. They work with a treasurer and the kennels manager to further the work of the CIO.

### **Risk management**

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## **ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE**

RGC has continued the successes of its first year into its second year of existence

Although this period was free from national lockdowns due to covid, there were still many restrictions on public gatherings and therefore many fundraising and awareness opportunities did not take place.

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Greyhound racing resumed which allowed owners and trainers to earn money and care for their charges however for many months it was behind closed doors which reduced our opportunities to interact with the public to raise awareness and funds.

We continued our relationship with Pets at Home Stores in Ashford and Sittingbourne however the requirement to wear masks in shops meant that while we were able to maintain displays in their stores we were not permitted to attend in person for the raising of awareness and funds

The petrol shortage in October 2021 luckily had little impact on the running of the charity however at the end of the period this report pertains to there was concern that the start of the war in Ukraine would potentially impact on energy costs and hence the cost of living

However as was the case in our first year, trustees, volunteers and kennel staff again rose to the challenges

Homings were down in the period 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022 at 92. Although this is a significant drop it should be viewed in the light of the following factors:

- the 1st year's figures were likely slightly inflated by the fact that many people who had fostered for us during the 1st lockdown went on to adopt their foster dogs
- this year many people had uncertain plans as they were returning to the workplace
- many people had been on furlough with the attendant financial implications
- many of our awareness events, which we know encourage people to adopt, did not take place

In view of these factors then I believe it is fair to say that RGC has had another very successful year in this aspect

As previously mentioned, public health restrictions prevented the majority of our summer 2021 events from going ahead which also impacted on the raising of public awareness and public education on greyhounds

## **FUTURE PLANS**

RGC will hold an AGM on 31st May 2022

For the upcoming financial year, ensuring the charity remains on a stable financial basis is a key priority.

We will continue to explore and develop relationships with organisations who have supported RGC to date and also explore other revenue streams, particularly in relation to dogs who need to stay with us for life due to our policy of never euthanasing a healthy dog

The charity continues to ring fence a contingency reserve fund which at the end of the period of this report was of approximately £12,000 held in a separate deposit account

We will continue to explore opportunities to publicise the work of the charity in caring for and homing greyhounds, and are very optimistic that the summer of 2022 will see a complete resumption of face to face events. Said events also allow us to connect with the public to promote humane treatment of greyhounds (and other animals) and to specifically educate the public about this breed

**TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

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**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

We are proud that as an independent charity we have continued to show a surfeit in funds which in turn will allow us to maintain the number of greyhounds the charity is supporting in kennels at any one time

Our main income is from the Greyhound Board of Great Britain bond scheme which is the fee paid by owners / trainers and matched by the GBGB when a dog retires to an approved homing centre. This has replaced the old direct intake fee paid to RGC.

Other important sources of income are homing donations on adoption and other monetary donations.

We carry out various ad hoc collections of donations at events and encourage people to both donate by standing order and / or complete Gift Aid forms in our favour to generate additional income. We continue to develop our fundraising strategy and capacity. We remain focused on making personal contacts with people and organisations in the community, and on producing high-quality presentational material.

We also successfully renewed our preferred charity partner status with Pets at Home Stores in Ashford and Sittingbourne under their revised charity schemes for 2022 although for the duration of this report the requirement to wear masks in shops meant that while Pets at Home permitted us to maintain displays in their stores we were not permitted to have a presence in person for the raising of awareness and funds

The charity's contingency reserve fund is held so that:

- RGC has sufficient funds to meet its obligations as they fall due
- RGC can allow for contingencies which may arise - the main ones identified being:
  - a) loss of a major supporter
  - b) an orderly closure of the charity being required

**THE TRUSTEES THANK**

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**STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES**

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**RETIRED GREYHOUNDS CANTERBURY**  
**REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 1190386**

**TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

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The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 24th October 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

Nicola Joan Anne Crowhurst



Tracey Jacqueline Lee



John Whittaker



**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF  
REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 1190386**

**RETIRED GREYHOUNDS CANTERBURY**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of **Retired Greyhounds Canterbury** for the year ended 31 March 2022.

***Responsibilities and basis of the 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 material respect:

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.

*P. P. Southgate*

**Name of examiner:** Pauline Southgate BSC (Hons)

**Name of firm:** PMS Business Services

**Address:** 22 Dorset Road, Merton Park, London SW19 3HA

**Date:** 26 May 2022

**RETIRED GREYHOUNDS CANTERBURY**  
**REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 1190386**

**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Last Year £
<b>Receipts</b>				
Donations	32,123	-	32,123	31,409
Gift Aid	1,922	-	1,922	-
Dogs In	3,400	-	3,400	28,582
Dogs Out	12,130	-	12,130	13,945
GBGB (Greyhound Board of Great Britain)	44,400	-	44,400	4,400
Sales of Greyhound Equipment	1,692	-	1,692	795
	95,667	-	95,667	79,131
<b>Investment income</b>				
Bank Interest	2	-	2	-
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>95,669</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>95,669</b>	<b>79,131</b>
<b>Payments</b>				
<b>Charitable activities</b>				
Kennelling	55,383	-	55,383	26,418
Veterinary	14,666	-	14,666	7,727
Purchases of Greyhound Equipment	1,482	-	1,482	1,539
Purchases of Goods for Resale	72	-	72	-
Branch Equipment	1,948	-	1,948	623
Volunteer expenses	194	-	194	116
RGC Vehicle expenses	1,348	-	1,348	1,811
Insurance	497	-	497	504
Bank Charges	171	-	171	177
GBGB (Greyhound Board of Great Britain)	12,900	-	12,900	1,200
	88,661	-	88,661	40,115
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>88,661</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>88,661</b>	<b>40,115</b>
<b>Net of receipts/payments</b>	<b>7,008</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7,008</b>	<b>39,016</b>
<b>Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>39,016</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>39,016</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>46,024</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>46,024</b>	<b>39,016</b>

RETIRED GREYHOUNDS CANTERBURY

CHARITY NO 1190386


STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Last Year £
<b>ASSETS</b>				
<b>Cash funds</b>				
CAF Cash A.c	33,523	-	33,523	39,016
CAF Gold A/c	12,501	-	12,501	-
<b>Unbanked cheques</b>				
Dogs In	200	-	200	-
Dogs Out	325	-	325	-
Donations	125	-	125	-
<b>Gift Aid</b>				
Via HMRC	785	-	785	-
Via CAF	12	-	12	-
	<u>47,471</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>47,471</u>	<u>39,016</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
<b>Kennelling</b>				
March 2022	5,001	-	5,001	-
	<u>5,001</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,001</u>	<u>-</u>

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

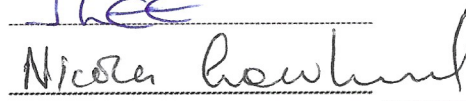
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NICOLA CROWHURST

**RETIRED GREYHOUNDS CANTERBURY**

England & Wales - Charity number 1190386

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# Accounts

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES  
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RETIRED GREYHOUNDS CANTERBURY

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

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RETIRED GREYHOUNDS CANTERBURY

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Registered Company number**

CE022510 (England and Wales)

**Registered Charity number**

1190386

**Registered Office**

c/o Rosedale Kennels

Rusham Road

Shatterling

Canterbury

CT3 1JL

**Trustees (as at date of signing)**

Nicola Joan Anne Crowhurst

Tracey Jacqueline Lee

John Whittaker

**Bankers**

CAF Bank Limited

Kings Hill Avenue

Kings Hill

West Malling

Kent

ME19 4JQ

## STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

### Governing document

The charity is constituted as a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) and is governed by its constitution last amended 10th July 2020. It was entered into the Register of Charities on 13th July 2020.

### Organisational structure

Retired Greyhounds Canterbury is a public benefit entity whose objects are to promote humane behaviour towards animals by providing appropriate care, protection, treatment and security for greyhounds which are in need of care and attention by reason of retirement from the racing industry, sickness, maltreatment, poor circumstances and ill usage, rehoming such greyhounds where possible and educating the public in matters pertaining to responsible dog ownership and the prevention of cruelty and suffering among dogs, with a particular focus on retired racing greyhounds.

Retired Greyhounds Canterbury currently has 3 trustees who support the work of the charity. They work with a treasurer and the kennels manager to further the work of the CIO.

### Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed, and to ensure that appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error. These duties are met by a regular review of our risk assessment procedures, by constant monitoring and action taken where appropriate, and by Independent Examination of our annual report and accounts.

## OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

### Significant activities

In planning the activities of the charity, the trustees refer to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission with regard to public benefit. In particular the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives of the charity.

**Our Vision** is to be instrumental in the care and protection of those greyhounds which come into our care in search of a new home and to educate people about greyhounds and promote the humane treatment of them

**Our Purpose** is to provide appropriate care, protection, treatment and security for greyhounds which are in need of care and attention by reason of retirement from the racing industry, sickness, maltreatment, poor circumstances and ill usage, rehoming such greyhounds where possible and educating the public in matters pertaining to responsible dog ownership and the prevention of cruelty and suffering among dogs, with a particular focus on retired racing greyhounds.

## **ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE**

RGC had an extremely positive first year as an independent charity.

Starting up during the 1st national Covid lockdown brought unique challenges in relation in particular to the suspension of the greyhound racing industry, which had a knock on effect on owners and trainers ability to care for their charges, and the difficulties involved in reaching out to the public virtually both for homing and educational purposes. The trustees, volunteers and kennel staff rose to these challenges inventively and tirelessly

This resulted in a total of 112 greyhound homings in the period up to 31st March 2021.

Although volunteer dog walking and attendance at events had to be suspended for parts of the reporting period, our volunteers continued to support the charity whenever possible. Many of our volunteers supported the greyhounds when the kennels worked with a previous national charity and all of them transferred to support Retired Greyhounds Canterbury when we set up independently.

## **FUTURE PLANS**

Our 1st AGM is to be held on 20th June 2021

For the upcoming financial year, ensuring the charity remains on a stable financial basis is a key priority.

We will continue to explore and develop relationships with companies who have supported RGC to date and also explore other revenue streams, particularly in relation to dogs who need to stay with us for life due to our policy of never euthanasing a healthy dog

The charity continues to ring fence a contingency reserve fund of £7000 held in a separate account

We will continue to explore opportunities to publicise the work of the charity in caring for and homing greyhounds, hopefully with more face to face events. Said events also allow us to connect with the public to promote humane treatment of greyhounds (and other animals) and to specifically educate the public about this breed

## **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

We are proud that in our first financial year as an independent charity we have been able to show a surfeit in funds which in turn will allow us to increase the number of greyhounds the charity is supporting in kennels at any one time

Our main income is from donations and income fees attached to each greyhound which moving forward will also be supported by the Greyhound Board of Great Britain due to our status as an approved homing centre with them, and then homing donations paid by new owners at the point of adoption.

We carry out various ad hoc collections of donations at events and encourage people to both donate by standing order and / or complete Gift Aid forms in our favour to generate additional income.

We continue to develop our fundraising strategy and capacity. We remain focused on making personal contacts with people and organisations in the community, and on producing high-quality presentational material. We will also be reapplying for continued preferred charity partner status with Pets at Home Stores in Ashford and Sittingbourne

The charity's contingency reserve fund is held so that:

- RGC has sufficient funds to meet its obligations as they fall due
- RGC can allow for contingencies which may arise - the main ones identified being:
  - a) loss of a major supporter
  - b) an orderly closure of the charity being required

## **THE TRUSTEES THANK**

The staff and volunteers at Rosedale kennels without whom the charity could not exist. Our volunteers for their enthusiasm and commitment to everything we do and our donors who generously support the charity and enable its continuance.

## **IMPACT OF COVID-19**

During the period of initial lockdown the kennels closed to all visitors and homing activities were ceased. At the same time emergency foster placements were sought for dogs in our care to enable us to take in other dogs in urgent need due to the suspension of racing.

Upon partial lifting of these constraints, the trustees and volunteers sought to restart charity activity within the government guidelines provided to animal charities

## **STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES**

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming

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resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to


- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on

and signed on its behalf by:

Nicola Joan Anne Crowhurst



Tracey Jacqueline Lee



John Whittaker



INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF

RETIRED GREYHOUNDS CANTERBURY

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Retired Greyhounds Canterbury for the year ended 31 March 2021.

***Responsibilities and basis of the 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 material respect:

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.

**Name of examiner:** Pauline Southgate BSC (Hons)

**Name of firm:** PMS Business Services

**Address:** 22 Dorset Road, Merton Park, London SW19 3HA

**Date:**

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 RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	Unrestricted £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
<b>Receipts</b>			
Donations	31,409	-	31,409
Gift Aid	-	-	-
Dogs In	28,582	-	28,582
Dogs Out	13,945	-	13,945
GBGB (Greyhound Board of Great Britain)	4,400	-	4,400
Sales of Greyhound Equipment	795	-	795
	<u>79,131</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>79,131</u>
<b>Investment income</b>			
Bank Interest	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b><u>79,131</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>	<b><u>79,131</u></b>
<b>Payments</b>			
<b>Charitable activities</b>			
Kennelling	26,418	-	26,418
Veterinary	7,727	-	7,727
Purchases of Greyhound Equipment	1,539	-	1,539
Branch Equipment	623	-	623
Volunteer expenses	116	-	116
RGC Vehicle expenses	1,811	-	1,811
Insurance	504	-	504
Bank Charges	177	-	177
GBGB (Greyhound Board of Great Britain)	1,200	-	1,200
	<u>40,115</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>40,115</u>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b><u>40,115</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>	<b><u>40,115</u></b>
<b>Net of receipts/payments</b>	<b>39,016</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>39,016</b>
<b>Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>39,016</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>39,016</b>

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

AS AT 31 MARCH 2021

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	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>Cash funds</b>			
CAF Cash A.c	31,508	-	31,508
CAF Gold A/c	7,500	-	7,500
Petty Cash	<u>8</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8</u>
	39,016	-	39,016
 <b>LIABILITIES</b>			
No liabilities at 31/03/2021	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>