

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 JUNE 2024  
FOR  
WILD THINGS RESCUE**

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**  
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The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 28 June 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

**Objectives and aims**

The objects of the CIO are for the benefit of the public to relieve the suffering of animals, in particular native wildlife 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.

We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning future activities.

**Volunteers**

The Charity currently has around 30 active volunteers, who on average provide around 150 hours per week to the Charity.

**ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE**

**Charitable activities**

Wild Things Rescue has successfully met its charity objectives by providing a wide range of services in collaboration with the public, veterinary professionals, and partner organisations, including the police, local councils, and the RSPCA. We have focused on ensuring that animals in distress are promptly rescued and treated, while also minimising the stress for the public involved. From 29th June 2023 to 28th June 2024, we admitted approximately 800 animals. This number is lower than in previous years due to rising operational costs and a reduction in volunteer numbers, which led to occasional limitations on our capacity. Additionally, the impact of Avian Influenza meant that many birds were referred directly to veterinary practices for assessment rather than being admitted to our centre.

Throughout the year, we received around 6,000 calls and messages requesting assistance. Many of these cases were directed to veterinary practices across the county, with some animals requiring euthanasia, which meant they did not enter our care. In some instances, we also referred animals to other services with more specialised facilities, such as RSPCA East Winch, to ensure the best possible outcome for the animals.

In early 2024, we were fortunate to receive a generous legacy donation, which has significantly contributed to the improvement of our facilities. This donation could not have come at a better time, as donations had been reduced due to the current financial climate, and operational costs were at an all-time high. With this support, we have been able to redesign the centre and purchase new equipment, enhancing our organisation and overall efficiency. The donation has also allowed us to acquire additional resources to improve animal care, including new hedgehog enclosures. Most importantly, this contribution has provided us with much-needed peace of mind, offering a level of financial security that has been vital during these challenging times. It ensures that we can continue to provide essential services to wildlife in need without compromising the quality of care we offer.

In the spring of 2024, we installed walls within the centre to divide the two larger rooms into five smaller more manageable spaces. This change has not only made it easier to separate animals based on species, condition, or recovery stage, but it has also significantly reduced stress for the animals. By minimising noise and visual distractions, the animals are now able to recover in a more peaceful and controlled environment. Additionally, the new layout has helped with the overall organisation and cleanliness of the centre, creating a more efficient workflow for our team. We have expanded our volunteer opportunities and work experience placements, providing valuable chances for people to get involved. We also held support sessions for individuals experiencing mental health challenges, offering a safe space for personal growth and connection. From these support sessions to general volunteer duties, it has been incredibly rewarding to see the positive impact on those involved.

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**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

**Financial position**

Wild Things Rescue has had a relatively strong year financially in 2024, thanks to the generous support of our donors, local businesses, and an increased presence in the community. Several key developments have contributed to our financial stability and growth, enabling us to continue providing essential care and services for wildlife within Lincolnshire.

One of the most significant financial boosts came from a legacy donation, which provided us with much-needed security during a time when donations were lower than usual due to the challenging financial climate. This donation has helped us to strengthen our financial position and provided us with peace of mind, knowing that we have a buffer to support our work in the coming months and years. Additionally, we saw a dramatic increase in the number of monthly donors this year. This growth in recurring donations has provided us with a more predictable and reliable income stream. Our social media presence has also played a vital role in raising funds. By increasing our profile across various platforms, we have connected with a wider audience, generating significant interest in our cause. Social media has become one of our biggest sources of income, with followers contributing through donations and supporting fundraising initiatives.

We have also received generous donations from local businesses, further demonstrating the strong community support for our work. These partnerships have not only provided vital financial resources but have helped us raise awareness of our mission within the local area.

Overall, 2024 has been a year of financial growth and stability for Wild Things Rescue, and we are incredibly grateful for the support from our dedicated donors and local businesses. This support has allowed us to continue our work rescuing, rehabilitating, and releasing wildlife in need, while also positioning us well for the future.

**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

**Governing document**

Wild Things Rescue is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) registered on 19th August 2020 and is governed by its Constitution.

**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Registered Charity number**

1190933

**Principal address**

2 Tomlinson Close  
Tattershall  
Lincolnshire  
LN4 4NH

**Trustees**

Miss E J Stokes  
Mrs J L M Freeman  
J C L Raggo  
Mrs K L Merrell  
Miss L A Steele  
S Brown

**Independent Examiner**

Mrs Nicola Lenton FCCA  
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 19 May 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

Miss L A Steele - Trustee

# INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF WILD THINGS RESCUE

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## **Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Wild Things Rescue**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Wild Things Rescue (the Trust) for the year ended 28 June 2024.

## **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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.

Mrs Nicola Lenton FCCA

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19 May 2025

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 JUNE 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Designated fund £	Restricted £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>						
Donations and legacies		<b>74,634</b>	<b>24,000</b>	<b>40,192</b>	<b>138,826</b>	72,330
Other trading activities	2	<b>888</b>	-	-	<b>888</b>	1,111
Investment income	3	<b>74</b>	-	-	<b>74</b>	-
<b>Total</b>		<b>75,596</b>	<b>24,000</b>	<b>40,192</b>	<b>139,788</b>	73,441
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>						
Raising funds		<b>938</b>	-	-	<b>938</b>	1,162
<b>Charitable activities</b>						
Support Costs		<b>3,311</b>	-	-	<b>3,311</b>	3,648
Governance Costs		<b>3,302</b>	-	-	<b>3,302</b>	2,173
Charitable Activities		<b>77,276</b>	-	<b>7,600</b>	<b>84,876</b>	41,648
<b>Total</b>		<b>84,827</b>	-	<b>7,600</b>	<b>92,427</b>	48,631
<b>NET</b>						
<b>INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>		<b>(9,231)</b>	<b>24,000</b>	<b>32,592</b>	<b>47,361</b>	24,810
Transfers between funds	9	<b>5,800</b>	-	<b>(5,800)</b>	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>(3,431)</b>	<b>24,000</b>	<b>26,792</b>	<b>47,361</b>	24,810
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>						
Total funds brought forward		<b>38,927</b>	-	-	<b>38,927</b>	14,117
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<b>35,496</b>	<b>24,000</b>	<b>26,792</b>	<b>86,288</b>	38,927

The notes form part of these financial statements

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## BALANCE SHEET 28 JUNE 2024

		Unrestricted fund £	Designated fund £	Restricted £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>	Notes					
Tangible assets	6	28,303	-	-	28,303	16,662
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>						
Debtors	7	832	-	-	832	-
Cash at bank		7,561	24,000	26,792	58,353	22,265
		<u>8,393</u>	<u>24,000</u>	<u>26,792</u>	<u>59,185</u>	<u>22,265</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>						
Amounts falling due within one year	8	(1,200)	-	-	(1,200)	-
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>7,193</u>	<u>24,000</u>	<u>26,792</u>	<u>57,985</u>	<u>22,265</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>35,496</u>	<u>24,000</u>	<u>26,792</u>	<u>86,288</u>	<u>38,927</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>35,496</u>	<u>24,000</u>	<u>26,792</u>	<u>86,288</u>	<u>38,927</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>	9					
Unrestricted funds					59,496	38,927
Restricted funds					26,792	-
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					<u>86,288</u>	<u>38,927</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 19 May 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

L A Steele - Trustee



NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

**Basis of preparing the financial statements**

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

**Income**

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

**Expenditure**

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

**Tangible fixed assets**

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Improvements to property	- Straight line over 10 years
Plant and machinery	- 25% on reducing balance
Fixtures and fittings	- 25% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	- 25% on reducing balance

**Taxation**

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

**Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Designated funds are those unrestricted funds which have been set aside by the charity to be spent on a particular purpose.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 JUNE 2024

### 2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Sales of products	888	556
Services income	-	555
	<u>888</u>	<u>1,111</u>

### 3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2024	2023
	£	£
Deposit account interest	74	-
	<u>74</u>	<u>-</u>

### 4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

During the year one of the trustees received an income from the charity totalling £7,840 for project managing a grant received by the charity.

#### Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 28 June 2024 nor for the year ended 28 June 2023.

### 5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Designated fund £	Restricted £	Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>				
Donations and legacies	72,330	-	-	72,330
Other trading activities	<u>1,111</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,111</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u>73,441</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>73,441</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>				
Raising funds	1,162	-	-	1,162
<b>Charitable activities</b>				
Support Costs	3,648	-	-	3,648
Governance Costs	2,173	-	-	2,173
Charitable Activities	<u>41,648</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>41,648</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u>48,631</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>48,631</u>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	24,810	-	-	24,810
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>				
Total funds brought forward	<u>14,117</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,117</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<u>38,927</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>38,927</u>

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**6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	Improvements to property £	Plant and machinery £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
<b>COST</b>					
At 29 June 2023	-	3,217	13,015	430	16,662
Additions	6,975	11,268	1,436	-	19,679
At 28 June 2024	6,975	14,485	14,451	430	36,341
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>					
Charge for year	698	3,620	3,613	107	8,038
<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>					
At 28 June 2024	6,277	10,865	10,838	323	28,303
At 28 June 2023	-	3,217	13,015	430	16,662

**7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2024 £	2023 £
Prepayments and accrued income	832	-

**8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2024 £	2023 £
Other creditors	1,200	-

**9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 29.6.23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 28.6.24 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	38,927	(9,231)	5,800	35,496
Designated fund	-	24,000	-	24,000
	38,927	14,769	5,800	59,496
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Lottery Funding	-	13,592	-	13,592
Lincs County Council	-	13,200	-	13,200
The Belforte Trust	-	5,800	(5,800)	-
	-	32,592	(5,800)	26,792
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	38,927	47,361	-	86,288

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 JUNE 2024

### 9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	75,596	(84,827)	(9,231)
Designated fund	24,000	-	24,000
	<u>99,596</u>	<u>(84,827)</u>	<u>14,769</u>
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Lottery Funding	16,712	(3,120)	13,592
Lincs County Council	17,680	(4,480)	13,200
The Belforte Trust	5,800	-	5,800
	<u>40,192</u>	<u>(7,600)</u>	<u>32,592</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>139,788</u>	<u>(92,427)</u>	<u>47,361</u>

### Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 29.6.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 28.6.23 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	14,117	24,810	38,927
	<u>14,117</u>	<u>24,810</u>	<u>38,927</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>14,117</u>	<u>24,810</u>	<u>38,927</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	73,441	(48,631)	24,810
	<u>73,441</u>	<u>(48,631)</u>	<u>24,810</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>73,441</u>	<u>(48,631)</u>	<u>24,810</u>

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 JUNE 2024

### 9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 29.6.22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 28.6.24 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	14,117	15,579	5,800	35,496
Designated fund	-	24,000	-	24,000
	<u>14,117</u>	<u>39,579</u>	<u>5,800</u>	<u>59,496</u>
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Lottery Funding	-	13,592	-	13,592
Lincs County Council	-	13,200	-	13,200
The Belforte Trust	-	5,800	(5,800)	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>32,592</u>	<u>(5,800)</u>	<u>26,792</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>14,117</u>	<u>72,171</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>86,288</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	149,037	(133,458)	15,579
Designated fund	24,000	-	24,000
	<u>173,037</u>	<u>(133,458)</u>	<u>39,579</u>
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Lottery Funding	16,712	(3,120)	13,592
Lincs County Council	17,680	(4,480)	13,200
The Belforte Trust	5,800	-	5,800
	<u>40,192</u>	<u>(7,600)</u>	<u>32,592</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>213,229</u>	<u>(141,058)</u>	<u>72,171</u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued  
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**10. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

One of the trustees currently lives on the land rented by the Charity, this is to ensure that there is always someone present if the animals are in need.

# WILD THINGS RESCUE

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 JUNE 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>		
<b>Donations and legacies</b>		
Donations	24,859	25,147
Legacies	56,025	-
Grants	43,692	47,183
Donated goods and assets	14,250	-
	<b>138,826</b>	<b>72,330</b>
<b>Other trading activities</b>		
Sales of products	888	556
Services income	-	555
	<b>888</b>	<b>1,111</b>
<b>Investment income</b>		
Deposit account interest	74	-
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b>139,788</b>	<b>73,441</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
<b>Raising donations and legacies</b>		
Raising funds	264	597
Advertising	674	565
	<b>938</b>	<b>1,162</b>
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Wages	28,604	10,263
Rent and rates	13,460	13,364
Animal Feed	4,535	2,607
Animal Medication	406	312
Animal supplements	254	355
Vets bills	622	522
Building maintenance and repairs	6,467	370
PPE	-	340
Supplies	4,938	4,469
Volunteer expenses	-	1,119
Volunteer materials	501	2,250
Volunteer training	1,132	1,579
Volunteer travel expenses	399	2,957
Waste disposal	2,867	1,141
Donated goods	13,250	-
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	8,038	-
	<b>85,473</b>	<b>41,648</b>

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## DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 JUNE 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
<b>Support costs</b>		
<b>Finance</b>		
Bank charges	60	68
Bank interest	-	3
	<u>60</u>	<u>71</u>
<b>Other</b>		
Insurance	199	777
Telephone	841	850
Postage and stationery	422	890
Sundries	10	-
Computer costs	1,231	365
Dues and subscriptions	739	695
Travel and accommodation	1,009	-
	<u>4,451</u>	<u>3,577</u>
<b>Governance costs</b>		
Accountancy	1,200	329
Professional fees	305	1,844
	<u>1,505</u>	<u>2,173</u>
Total resources expended	<u>92,427</u>	<u>48,631</u>
<b>Net income</b>	<u>47,361</u>	<u>24,810</u>

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