

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day05	Month05	Year2020		Day05	Month05	Year2021

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name DOGS FOR HEALTH

Other names charity is known by N/A

Registered charity number (if any) 1191801

Charity's principal address 26 Kendrick Close

WESTBURY

WILTSHIRE

Postcode BA13 3QT

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	JAMES LEWIS	CHAIR OF TRUSTEES		
2	AMY WOOD	TRUSTEE		
3	ANN SWIFT	TRUSTEE		

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
NONE AT THIS TIME		

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

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	DOGS FOR HEALTH is governed by a Constitution as laid out during its formation. The Constitution uses the Charity Commission standard template and was revised in April 2021
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	The charity is an association as per the guidance of the charity Commission
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Initial selection was the three Trustees who formed the charity. The charity plans to run in this form for two years with elections in March 2022 to form the new board of Trustees. The aim will be to increase this from the original three trustees to five.

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.

During the forming phase of the charity the original policies and procedures will be maintained.

The Trustees will meet on a regular basis and review progress in the initial two-year formation term of the charity.

The charity will seek to align itself with the working arrangements of partners, namely local doctors' surgeries, the NHS and other charity groups that support the client group of the charity DOGS FOR HEALTH

Partnerships will be formed, and methods of working documents drawn up when partnerships are considered. Including partnership with Alzheimer's UK branches in Warminster, Trowbridge and Devizes. Wiltshire Council have become a regular partner in relation to weekly visits and fund raising events on behalf of the charity by the council. Help for Heros and three local doctors surgeries are forming partnerships to support the charity to develop into PTSD by end of 2023

The charity in the second year will face the Covid challenge and design the support to maintain safety, support and future relationships with partners to deliver support to patients.

The risks for the charity are the challenge of Covid, protecting our volunteers, supporting other partners, maintaining a service that matches the requirements in place due to the pandemic.

Section C Objectives and activities

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

To support people who are in need regardless of their age, disability, health or social circumstances. Particularly but not exclusively by the provision of pets and their volunteer owners or carers visiting individuals' homes or visiting public places such as hospitals, workplaces, care and nursing homes and schools. To share learning and resources.

We will do this by:

1. a) Organising pets to visit private homes, workplaces or public venues/spaces.
2. b) Providing training and education sessions.

3. c) Sharing resources and research findings.

Setting up of regular support visits to Alzheimer's UK at various Alzheimer's UK bases within our area.

Joining the multi-agency team supporting vulnerable individuals within Warminster and Westbury. Via the Avenue Surgery and White Horse Health Centre.

Accepting referrals from agencies to support the vulnerable within Frome, Westbury, Warminster and other areas.

Ongoing recruitment and training of volunteers within the charity in supporting vulnerable individuals. This training included safeguarding, equality and diversity, health and safety, manual handling, first aid and person centred care.

Online training has been developed with social care TV website to ensure future volunteer training is aligned to the care sector training and volunteers are better placed to understand the needs of dementia and Alzheimer's patients as we make further contact. PTSD training will come online in 2023 as the charity seeks to expand after the two years of Covid reduced working

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)

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- ☐ policy on grantmaking;
- ☐ policy programme related investment;
- ☐ contribution made by volunteers.

Dogs for Health is seeking to align itself with local vets practices and to support the health and wellbeing of animals as well as supporting the community. In 2022 we were supported as named charity by a local vets practice and supported them at events and in their practices to raise awareness of therapy dogs.

Volunteers have made significant effort during Covid to adapt to change, there have been walk and talk groups to get people meeting in line with guidance that has changed numerous times during the year. The purpose of walk and talk is being developed so that in 2022-23 we will use this as part of the assessment process for volunteers and the dogs. Increased awareness of the risks to the volunteers and handlers will mean increased training commitments and increased insurance that will take effect by February 2023.

2022 has seen an increase in spending on equipment, licence disks, collars, uniform design and our presence at events have been examined and changes implemented to streamline these.

Our website continues to grow and develop under the expert guidance of Nigel. Now we have new policies in place, a volunteer area, online referrals, online applications will follow this year as we seek to further reduce our reliance on paper based activities.

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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Fund raising for training and support packages, This year 2021-22 saw very little increase due to covid

Good connections with local support networks. These have increased and the team continues to establish new relationships and build schools programmes.

Completion of a website and social media marketing plan has been a success, now Nigel is seeking to streamline functions and reduce paper

Taken part in community awareness events has increased, new social prescribers from local doctors have started to make use of the services offered.

Completed school assemblies, provided support in classrooms now developed into supporting the schools to have their own dogs on site and training for staff.

Completed ambulance service wellbeing visits to support moral boosting for front line crews. However, these have reduced due to issues within the service and extended waiting times at hospitals which prevents crews having down time. Local hospitals have expressed a wish to look at how we can support patients well-being.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity is in the second year of setting up, starting with a NIL balance was always going to be a challenge. The aim this year has been to build a reserve to cover insurance and other costs to allow the rest of the funds to be utilised to support engagement with patients. The funds have continued to rise, the charity has ended this year with a balance of over three thousand pounds and planned events for 2022-23 to increase funding further

Details of any funds materially in deficit

NIL deficit

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.

Principle source of funds have been a dog show, other fund raising events, no regular donations, still true in year two but commitment from a large vets to sponsor the charity this year will see a good increase in funding for 2022-23

Expenditure in year one has prioritised a laptop, phone, website building, display boards and booking space at events to highlight the work of the charity. This has continued due to covid and the laptop will need to be updated to cope with higher demands for IT based assessment.

The biggest single expenditure is insurance and this continues to be the priority of the charity to ensure we are protected in the event of any such mishap. Year two has seen this cost rise and we are investigating further insurance avenues for the coming year

There is no funding for investment due to covid limitations

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)	James Lewis	Amy Wood
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Trustee

Date

02/02/2023



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name DOGS FOR HEALTH 1191801	No (if any)
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01.04.2021	To	31.03.2022
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £
A1 Receipts				
DONATIONS	2,500	-	-	2,500
INVOICED WORK	-	-	-	-
VOLUNTEER CONTRIBUTIONS	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	2,500	-	-	2,500
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	2,500	-	-	2,500
A3 Payments				
PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE	238	-	-	238
EVENTS	150	-	-	150
EQUIPMENT	200	-	-	200
	-	-	-	-
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	-	-	-	-
Sub total	588	-	-	588
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)				
LAPTOP, MOBILE PHONE, DISPLAY BOARDS, SIGNAGE, PRINTED MATERIALS	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total payments	588	-	-	588
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,912	-	-	1,912
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	1,912	-	-	1,912

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds		-	-
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	Total cash funds (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	-	-
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B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
	NIL ASSETS	-	-
		-	-
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B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
	NIL ASSETS		-
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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
	NIL ASSETS		-
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B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)
	NIL ASSETS		-
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	
		JAMES LEWIS	
		AMY WOOD	

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Date of
approval

9/5/2022
9/5/2022