

**FRENCHIE AND FRIENDS FOUNDATION**  
**TRUSTEES REPORT AND ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

## **FRENCHIE AND FRIENDS FOUNDATION**

### **LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

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<b>Trustees</b>	Natalie Batchelor Ross Keeley Cherry May Jacqueline May Sandra Anne Whiffen
<b>Charity number</b>	1198675
<b>Principal Address</b>	5 Warwick Road Welling DA16 1SP
<b>Independent Examiner</b>	TC Group The Courtyard Shoreham Road Upper Beeding Steyning West Sussex BN44 3TN
<b>Bankers</b>	Barclays Bank 1 Churchill Place London E14 5HP

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# **FRENCHIE AND FRIENDS FOUNDATION**

## **TRUSTEES' REPORT**

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The Trustees of Frenchie and Friends Foundation present their annual report for the year ended 31 December 2023 together with the financial statements for that period. The financial statements comply with Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS 102) and the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP2015).

### **Objectives and Activities**

The charity was set up to relieve the suffering of French Bulldogs with health, behaviour or welfare issues; by providing, funding and maintaining rescue homes and veterinary treatment in the rehabilitation and rehoming of French Bulldogs. The charity also aims to promote humane behaviour towards animals, especially those of the French Bulldog breed by providing appropriate care, protection, treatment and security to animals in need of care.

The Trustees have referred to the guidance from the Charity Commission on public benefit in producing this report and when reviewing our aims and objectives and planning our future activities. In particular, the Trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

### **Achievements and Performance**

Our main achievement in the 2023 financial year was to have rescued and rehabilitated 96 dogs into their forever homes. We guide fosterers through the very start of the journey with their new foster dog, ensuring veterinary intervention when required and address any behavioural issues, through either our own experiences or sourcing a local behaviourist.

Throughout the year we have attended many local dog events to raise awareness of the breed by speaking to people who either have French bulldogs or people looking to adopt or buy a dog and are looking for advice from behaviours to health conditions common in the breed. This year we are in partnership with Pets at Home in Kent where we hold events and support the branch in special events they are holding.

We are looking at different ways to help rescue dogs settle into their new environment easier and are currently in the process of putting together a welcome pack to go with them to their foster homes, which is a one stop access for families to see why the dog has been surrendered, vaccination status etc. We have also formed a number of relationships with dog pounds. When a dog has completed the 7 day assessment, we put a parcel together to include a blanket, harness, lead, bowl and a toy to send to the new home, as these dogs have no possessions at all, and these items will then move with them to their eventual forever home.

### **Financial review**

Total income for the year was £59,394 (2022: £67,423), all of which was unrestricted. Total expenditure for the year was £65,695 (2022: £62,292). We recorded a deficit for the year of £6,301 (2022: surplus of £5,131). At 31 December 2023 total reserves stood at £8,873 (2022: £15,174).

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## TRUSTEES' REPORT

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Our reserves policy and our target reserves levels are reviewed annually by our Trustee Board and our current policy will be to build up reserves to cover 3-4 months of expenditure, approximately £15,000 to £17,000. As at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023 free reserves stood at £8,873. The charity will look to improve its level of reserves in the future.

### **Structure, Governance and Management**

Frenchie and Friends Foundation was founded in 2019 as a charitable incorporated organisation registered in England and Wales (charity number 1198675). Its registered office is 5 Warwick Road, Welling, DA16 1SP. It is governed by its Constitution adopted on 21<sup>st</sup> April 2022. The members of the Trustee Board are Trustees under charity law. They are also known as Board Members.

### **Recruitment of Trustees**

Trustees are recruited in accordance with our Constitution. In selecting individuals for appointment of trustees, the charity trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the Charity.



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Sandra Whiffen

Trustee

## **BATTEN DISEASE FAMILY ASSOCIATION**

### **STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES**

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The Charities Act 2011 requires the trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that year.

In preparing these accounts, the trustees are required to:

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

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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### INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF FRENCHIE AND FRIENDS FOUNDATION

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I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023 which are set out on pages 5 to 11.

#### Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

#### Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the company as required by section 386 of the 2006 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.



Mark Cummins FCCA, FCIE

#### On behalf of TC Group

The Courtyard, Shoreham Road  
Upper Beeding, Steyning  
West Sussex  
BN44 3TN

Dated: 15 April 2024.

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## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

		Unrestricted Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
<u>Income from:</u>	Notes	£	£	£
Donations and grants	2	20,943	20,943	32,887
Charitable activities	3	30,015	30,015	31,825
Other trading activities	3	8,436	8,436	2,609
Other income	4	-	-	102
<b>Total income</b>		<b>59,394</b>	<b>59,394</b>	<b>67,423</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>				
Charitable activities		65,695	65,695	62,292
<b>Total expenditure</b>	5	<b>65,695</b>	<b>65,695</b>	<b>62,292</b>
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>(6,301)</b>	<b>(6,301)</b>	<b>5,131</b>
Net assets transfer from unincorporated charity		-	-	10,043
Net funds brought forward at 1 January 2023		15,174	15,174	-
<b>Net funds carried forward at 31 December 2023</b>		<b>8,873</b>	<b>8,873</b>	<b>15,174</b>

The notes on page 7 to 11 form part of these accounts.

All income and expenditure shown above relate to continuing activities.




# FRENCHIE AND FRIENDS FOUNDATION

## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Notes	£	2023 £	2022 £
<b>Current assets</b>				
Debtors	9	2,677		10,672
Cash at bank and in hand		8,644		5,502
		<u>11,321</u>		<u>16,174</u>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	10	(2,448)		(1,000)
<b>Net current assets</b>			<b>8,873</b>	<b>15,174</b>
<b>Total net assets</b>			<b>8,873</b>	<b>15,174</b>
<b>Income funds</b>				
Unrestricted funds - general			<b>8,873</b>	<b>15,174</b>
			<b>8,873</b>	<b>15,174</b>

The accounts were approved by the Board on 20.3.2024

  
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Sandra Whiffen  
Trustee

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these accounts.

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**1.0 Accounting policies**

**1.1 Basis of preparation**

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by the 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 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulation 2006 (as amended).

Frenchie and Friends Foundation meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s). In accordance with Section 7 of FRS 102 the charity is claiming exemption from the requirement to prepare a cash flow statement on account of its size.

The financial statements are prepared in Sterling which is the functional currency of the charity and rounded to the nearest £1.

**1.2 Going Concern**

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Foundation has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

**1.3 Income**

Voluntary income including donations is recognised where there is entitlement, certainty of receipt and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Grants are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS 102 SORP).

Adoption fees and fundraising are recognised on a received basis.

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.

**1.4 Expenditure**

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to the expenditure. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs to the category.

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Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

**1.5 Debtors**

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

**1.6 Cash at bank and in hand**

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments. The Trustees seek to use short and medium term deposits where possible to maximise the return on monies held at the bank and to manage cash flow.

**1.7 Financial instruments**

The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

**1.8 Creditors and provisions**

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the Charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably.

**1.9 Taxation**

The Foundation is registered as a charity and all of its income falls within the exemptions under Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010.

**2 Donations and grants**

	Unrestricted funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£
Donations	20,943	20,943	25,618
Grants	-	-	7,269
	<b>20,943</b>	<b>20,943</b>	<b>32,887</b>

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**3 Charitable activities and other trading activities**

	Unrestricted funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£
Adoption fees	30,015	30,015	31,825
Fundraising	8,436	8,436	2,609
	<b>38,451</b>	<b>38,451</b>	<b>34,434</b>

**4 Other income**

	Unrestricted funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£
Other income	-	-	102

**5 Total expenditure**

	Other Costs	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£
<b>Charitable Activities</b>			
Veterinary bills and medication	56,852	56,852	55,430
Support costs (note 6)	8,843	8,843	6,862
	<b>65,695</b>	<b>65,695</b>	<b>62,292</b>

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**6 Support costs - other**

	<b>Total 2023</b>	<b>Total 2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Other costs</b>		
Advertising & Marketing	148	-
Audit & Accountancy fees	4,150	1,000
Paypal Fees	162	363
Entertainment	91	-
Postage, Freight & Courier	956	-
General Expenses	487	323
Insurance	94	-
Fuel - Motor Vehicles	1,637	2,478
Printing & Stationery	265	1,158
IT Software and Consumables	442	961
Subscriptions	294	-
Travel - National	117	579
Advertising & Marketing		
	<b>8,843</b>	<b>6,862</b>

**7 Trustees**

During the year no trustees entered into any related party transactions with the charity.

**8 Employees**

The charity had no employees in the year.

**9 Debtors**

	<b>Total 2023</b>	<b>Total 2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
VAT	2,677	10,672
	<b>2,677</b>	<b>10,672</b>

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**10 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year**

	<b>Total 2023</b>	<b>Total 2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Accruals	<b>2,448</b>	1,000
	<b>2,448</b>	<b>1,000</b>

**11 Related party transactions**

There were no related party transactions during the current or previous year.

**12 Control**

The charity is controlled by the trustees.