



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01/01/24
Period end date

Period start date To 31/12/25

Charity name: Alexa's Canine Trust

Charity registration number:1199089

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	For the benefit of the public to relieve the suffering of dogs in need of attention and to provide and maintain rescue homes or other facilities for the reception, care and treatment of such animals.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	The charity maintains its attention on dogs and other animals that need help most whether that be by rescue, rehoming, fostering or awarding grants for veterinary costs to enable the animals to remain in loving homes.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees declare that the charity is run with due regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit. All guidance notes issued by the Charity Commission have been issued to the Trustees.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	The charity has a policy on grant making
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	The charity is volunteer led with no paid employees. During 2024 the charity had 25 volunteers who carried out various tasks including, retail, fundraising, administration and rescue and rehoming. They contributed an

		<p>estimated 11,500-man hours in 2024. Their contribution is immeasurable. We also welcomed our first Duke of Edinburgh volunteer. We also have a special needs volunteer who greatly enhances one of our shops with their chatter and laughter and hard work. We continue to have the support of our knit and natter group plus a further 6 volunteers who pick up donations for our shops from family and friends. Two of our supporters put together a lovely Christmas Hamper raffle which raised £200.</p> <p>It is true to say that without the invaluable work of our volunteers our charity would not exist and for that the Trustees are profoundly grateful.</p>
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
<p>Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.</p>	<p>Para 1.20</p>	<p>During 2024 we felt the continued downturn in the economy with more people coming to us asking for financial assistance.</p> <p>We have continued to offer advice on pet care, but we have seen a rise in the numbers of people coming to us with age related issues, unemployment and mental health issues.</p> <p>Consequently, where appropriate we have continued to work with social services and other primary health care professionals to provide the best solution not only for them but also their pets. Where applicable we have also continued to signpost owners to other charities which could offer help and support e.g. food banks, breed specific dog rescues.</p> <p>We continue to have good relationships with all local veterinary practices. This now includes the local pet hospital which deals with more complicated intrusive veterinary care.</p> <p>During 2024 we continued to trade via our two shops in Wooler and Amble. However, due to the economic climate we saw a downturn in our sales in Wooler, but each shop continued to act as a hub for the local communities.</p> <p>We continued our fundraising efforts and attended local village and farmers</p>

		<p>shows not only to raise funds but to raise awareness of our work.</p> <p>We were chosen as Charity of the Year by TT Electronics which not only saw an increase in funds but again allowed us to talk to a new audience about our work.</p> <p>We provided over £35K of veterinary care to animals in 2024 (this is a mixture of grant requests and foster care) We also provided emergency kennelling for dogs that needed to be removed from their current environment.</p> <p>We continued to offer lifetime financial support to 8 dogs including one that is insulin dependent. These dogs include those that are fostered due to their age and /or health conditions. Due to the hard work of our rehoming team 9 dogs were rehomed to lovely forever homes.</p>
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>Due to the continued economic downturn our Wooler shop became much quieter and a decision was taken to cease trading at the end of 2024.</p> <p>As ever we are trying to spread the word about responsible pet ownership and through our efforts our FB page now has 1800 members .</p>
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Through the hard work of our volunteers and sponsors we found ourselves in a healthy position at the end of 2024 with a balance of £36K at the end of the year.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The charity does not have a policy on reserves but constantly monitors its reserves to ensure they are sufficient for at least 6 months operating costs.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The charity's principal funding comes from the income of its shops and fundraising. Together with donations from individuals and companies.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g. unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	By appointment of the existing Board of Trustees. All appointed Trustees must meet eligibility criteria as laid out in the charity's constitution.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	ALEXA'S CANINE TRUST
Other name the charity uses	ACT
Registered charity number	1199089
Charity's principal address	4 LACEY ST LONGHOUGHTON ALNWICK NE66 3AH

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	ALEXA NISBET	TREASURER		
2	CAROLE GREEN	SECRETARY		
3	IRIS BUTLER			
4	BRIDIE BENNET			
5	ALISON TOOL			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Carole Lyn Green	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Secretary	
Date	22/09/2025	

ALEXA'S CANINE TRUST

ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

1ST JANUARY 2024 – 31ST DECEMBER 2024

EXPENITURE

RENTS	£21,100
WATER	£849.00
VETS	£34,292.99
KENNELING	£3010.00
DOG TRAINING	£275.00
INSURANCE	£1591.42
PR	£641.79
EVENTS	£413.47
IT	£238.80
MISC	£172.45
SERVICES	£2805.30
BANK ADJUSTMENT	£473.00
ICO	£40.00
TOTAL	£75,684.55

INCOME

TRADING	£72,312.89
DONATIONS	£6957.57
EVENTS	£1593.90
REFUND	£115.00
ADOPTIONS	£1600.00
TOTAL	£82,579.34

Surplus 2024	£6894.79
Uncredited banking	£1792.71
Reserves carried	
forward 2023	£29,849.04
Year end balance	£36,743.83



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

ALEXA'S CANINE TRUST

On accounts for the year
ended

31-12-24

Charity no
(if any)

1199089

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above
charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

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 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 (other than that disclosed below *) 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.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

DAWat

Date:

10.9.25

Name:

Debra Waterson

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

N/A

Address:

1 Richman Field, High Newton by the Sea
Alnwick, Northumberland, NE66 3EE

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.