

HAKUNA MATATA ANIMAL TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1203119

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2023-05-18

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

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Activities

Objects: FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC TO RELIEVE THE SUFFERING OF ANIMALS IN NEED OF CARE AND ATTENTION AND, IN PARTICULAR, TO PROVIDE AND MAINTAIN RESCUE HOMES OR OTHER FACILITIES FOR THE RECEPTION, CARE AND TREATMENT OF SUCH ANIMALS.

Activities: Hakuna Matata Animal Trust is an animal sanctuary based in South Devon. We focus on the care and protection of animals and provide a permanent residence where they will live out their lives here at the sanctuary. We also find permanent homes for our smaller, younger rescues. We participate in and help to fund animal rescue missions for animals that would otherwise be euthanized or slaughtered.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Animals
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities

Geography

- Devon

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£32,703	£37,968	-	-
2024-03-31	£11,839	£12,598	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Jay Prescott	Chair	2023-05-18
Christopher Alan Hines Hines		2023-07-03
Dianne McBride		2023-05-18
Georgia Rees Rees		2023-07-03
Kaci Prescott Prescott		2023-07-03
Thomas Harvey Fraser Fraser		2023-07-03
Trevor McBride		2023-05-18

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Trustees report for the charities annual return for 1st April 2024 - 31st March 2025

The trust has had a change of trustees during this period whereby Paige Prescott and Georgia Rees have stepped down and Kaci Prescott, Tom Fraser and Chris Hines have been elected as replacements, the remainder remain the same.

There has been substantial strengthening of the enclosure and perimeter fences and a vast increase of mud matt's put down to help with the mud control during the autumn and winter months in particular!

Some of the small animals have been re-homed after successful home checks were carried out and there has been other small animals brought into the sanctuary, following on from neglect cases and unwanted pets.

There has been a substantial influx of Sheep during this period, as there has been some neglect and threat of slaughter pending over them, thereby resulting in an increase of livestock.

We have taken on several feral cats that basically didn't have placements elsewhere and couldn't have coped in a home setting.

The inventory for this period is as follows: 25 sheep, 8 cats, 6 pigs, 2 chickens, 6 rabbits and 2 guinea pigs. 49 inhabitants in total.



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The Phil Ballard area has been further developed to provide foster care for the smaller animals, which we endeavour to find suitable homes for where possible. The enclosure named as such following his sad departure which his wife wanted to donate some funds for the good of the sanctuary, in his memory.

Veterinary bills continue to be one of our largest financial burdens of running the sanctuary. We continue to be running in deficit, which we continue to try to resolve but without much success. We continue to attempt to bridge the financial gap by way of auctions, table top sales and raising public awareness of the sanctuary but with the current economic climate it is a bit of an uphill struggle.

In looking to the future we are hoping to acquire a shelter for visitors to the sanctuary during bad weather, which would also double up as a viewing aid and when not in use for that, it could be used to store bales of straw in an effort to keep it dry. We also want to further protect the small animals from rats, with steel sheeting.

Primarily, the sanctuary remains a quiet and peaceful place for the animals to live out the remainder of their lives without stress; therefore, visitors are restricted to volunteers and limited to a small amount of visitors by invitation only!

This concludes another fairly successful year, where we have saved a number of lives that otherwise would have been lost.

HMAT			2024/25										
Title	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
Income													
Donations	782.92	2,887.27	1,335.00	1,902.87	1,759.21	1,741.77	1,662.88	1,828.08	1,845.00	2,289.30	733.88	5,163.50	23,931.68
Fundraising (auctions)	312.75	91.05	62.02	31.69	150.57	66.00	60.50	962.55	82.50	97.75	47.00	84.87	2,049.25
Stripe	239.01	83.26	83.26	166.00	156.48	123.00	97.57	107.68	116.72	122.87	204.71	520.91	2,021.47
PayPal					2,293.95		1,129.66		257.01	2,286.64	793.68	423.51	7,184.45
Go Fund Me							48.30						48.30
Torbay Lottery													0.00
Restricted Funds													0.00
Total	1,334.68	3,061.58	1,480.28	2,100.56	4,360.21	1,930.77	2,998.91	2,898.31	2,301.23	4,796.56	1,779.27	6,192.79	35,235.15
Expenditure													
Animal Supplies	687.43	2,527.08	775.17	1,018.50	857.27	1,112.98	1,659.80	1,527.84	1,034.41	1,358.22	925.83	1,472.51	14,957.04
Insurance					283.20								283.20
Maintenance							172.50	120.00	390.00	412.44		55.00	1,149.94
Materials					607.62	1,881.04	103.33	802.23	183.50	601.19	953.20	1,302.37	6,434.48
Merchandise				26.00	16.00	66.00		30.00		49.00			187.00
Security				60.00				8.35		10.00	10.00	122.55	210.90
Veterinary Care	600.00	55.00		1,629.00	544.08		1,071.35		850.30	1,233.74	312.86	434.44	6,730.77
PO Box/Postage / telephone		23.69						111.05	230.70	36.44	100.00	42.10	543.98
Fuel										196.38	180.23	141.94	518.55
Transport Animals					670.00								670.00
Rent		250.00								75.00	125.00	375.00	825.00
Total	1,287.43	2,855.77	775.17	2,733.50	2,978.17	3,060.02	3,006.98	2,599.47	2,688.91	3,972.41	2,607.12	3,945.91	32,510.86
Profit / loss	47.25	205.81	705.11	-632.94	1,382.04	-1,129.25	-8.07	298.84	-387.68	824.15	-827.85	2,246.88	2,724.29

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Hakuna Matata Animal Trust.

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Hakuna Matata Animal Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2025.

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 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 Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

The first accounts I was given to examine were created from receipts and income that the Trustee preparing them were made aware of, and this did not represent the entire 12 months bank statements. I suggested that the accounts should be created on a receipts and payments basis and so the accounts were then amended to represent the Trusts bank statements for the year.

There were some instances of missing payment receipts. A procedure is now in place where the payment receipts are given regularly to the Trustee who is preparing the accounts. Going forwards if a payment receipt is not given to the Trust then a cash book will be used as a record.

There were occasions where Trustees purchase items and then reimburse themselves, the reason for this was either due to cash flow (within the trusts bank account) or because there is only 1 bank card, the Trustees are looking to obtain a second bank card.

The Trust has not received any restricted funds to date but they have been advised to record any future restricted funds separately.

Signed: 

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Date: 19/12/2025

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Title	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	Total
Income													
Auctions/Sales	151.2	56.7	229.5	146.7	78	200	281.5	556.35	0	170	149.59	309	2328.54
Sponsorship	0	0	0	90	150	60	0	0	90	210	60	100	760
Go Fund Me	0	546.7	278.76	37.58	157.52	222.08	48.3	14.06	3123.3	28.38	43.66	4.6	4504.94
Donations	40	125	191.16	616.15	570	82	213.4	258.06	661.71	283.33	629.44	575.58	4245.83
Total	191.2	728.4	699.42	890.43	955.52	564.08	543.2	828.47	3875.01	691.71	882.69	989.18	11839.31
Expenditure													
Animal Feed	118.93	72.55	153.7	207.29	184.54	218.16	310.35	221.47	269.83	543.99	401.98	305.63	3008.42
Insurance	0	0	0	0	305.6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	305.6
Site Maintenance	543.75	22.99	120	0	0	165	0	140	270.13	0	0	20.85	1282.72
Materials	0	404.99	4.99	65.73	359.72	0	255.09	26	167.74	874.56	147.86	127.94	2434.62
Security	7.03	7.03	7.03	7.03	7.03	7.03	7.03	7.03	113.81	7.03	7.03	7.03	191.14
Vetinary Bills	0	281.36	0	1060.1	0	0	0	368.3	0	170.84	407.27	27.27	2315.14
Bedding	10	82.5	21.5	102.57	127.2	108.44	87.47	100.44	301.74	229.98	122	206.12	1499.96
PO Box	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	360
Fuel	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	1200
Total	809.71	1001.4	437.22	1572.7	1114.1	628.63	789.94	993.24	1253.25	1956.4	1216.14	824.84	12597.6
Net Cash Flow	-618.5	-273.02	262.2	-682.29	-158.57	-64.55	-246.74	-164.77	2621.76	-1264.7	-333.45	164.34	-758.29



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Trustees Report for period 18th May 2023 to 31st March 2024

AGM held Monday 1st April 2024 at 19:30

Present: Hayley Prescott, Jay Prescott, Trevor McBride, and Dianne McBride.

Vote taken and meeting chaired by Trevor McBride and minutes taken by Dianne McBride

Apologies for absence: Paige Prescott

Agenda item 1 (Minutes of previous meeting) No previous meeting

Agenda item 2 (Background of Trusts evolvement)

Here's a precede background to the Trust's evolvement: it all started with a Gloucester Old Spot pig in need of rescue when a field was rented for a while to accommodate him, this was later taken back by the owners and a field was subsequently found and purchased in order that he had a permanent home and Hakuna Matata Animal Trust was formed.

Agenda item 3 (Financial Report)

As you will see by the accompanying spreadsheet, we are currently running in deficit. We are constantly seeking new and innovative methods to address the ongoing expense of running the sanctuary. Everyday cost of animal feed, bedding and veterinary bills have been the main focus of expenditure, which is the most fundamental and necessary part of running the sanctuary and there has been little left for other important but less urgent projects to enable enhancement and expansion of the Trust, which would then enable us to take on more animals in need of safe refuge!



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Many lives have already been saved by the Trust since its existence, some are now permanent residents and some have gone onto suitable permanent homes.

Agenda item 4 (Achievements)

The Trust prides itself in working with both the local community and the animal rescue communities up and down the country, helping as many animals and members of the public as we can. We have been able to have visits from local schools and also children being home schooled, we have also had young people doing their Duke of Edinburgh awards thus encouraging young people to respect all life and the environment. This is our first year as a charity and we are proud of our achievements so far, we have lots of ideas in the pipeline and we are looking forward to taking it further in the future.

Agenda item 5 (Current Livestock inventory)

Sheep $2 + 19 = 21$, Pigs $4 + 2 = 6$, Cats $0 + 6 = 6$, Rabbits $2 + 6 = 8$,
Guinea pigs $0 + 4 = 4$, Chickens $0 + 1 = 1$, Cockerels $0 + 1 = 1$
Gerbils $0 + 2 = 2$. Ducks $0 + 3 = 3$

Animals passed away: 3 sheep, 2 rabbits and 1 Duck

Animals re-homed: 5 rabbits, 4 guinea pigs, 2 gerbils and 2 Ducks.

Animals that the trust helped re-home without bringing to the sanctuary:-
We were part of a bigger team that helped re-home 260 sheep and 16 cows from an abuse case in North Yorkshire. We also single handedly found homes for 24 goats and 6 pigs.

Agenda item 6 (Tabled AOB) There wasn't any other business

Agenda item 7 (Schedule next AGM) 1st April 2025

The meeting closed at 20:30