



## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	01	APRIL	2024		31	MARCH	2025

### Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Doggy Dens UK Rescue

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1203163

Charity's principal address

Shireoaks Hill Farm

Cuckney

Nottinghamshire

Postcode

NG20 9NW

#### 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	Denise Akbani	Overall Site Manager		
2	Karen Carter	Romanian Liaison Officer		
3	Linda Turner	Accountant	Appointed 1 May 2024	
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#### Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

#### 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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## Section B Structure, governance and management

### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution adopted 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2023
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) Foundation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by the Trustees themselves

### 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.

Health and Safety, Fire and Manual Handling policies are in place and provided to all staff and volunteers, along with the appropriate training, guidance and induction programme.

The Charities organisation structure comprises of:

- 3 Trustees,
- Staff: 1 Full Time & 4 Part Time
- 6 Volunteers

In addition to the objectives set out in the Charity Commission, the three trustees oversee the day to day running of the charity and supporting the kennels.

The charity offers a project, which enables volunteers to support our staff in caring for resident dogs.

Training and handling of all dogs is discussed in detail and daily summaries are shared between staff and volunteers to enable continuation of quality care.

We have links with on-site trainers and sign posting options with trainers for continuation of our work.

We also have links with canine nutritionists for advice surrounding health and well being for each dog. Trustee, Denise Akbani is a member of the Raw Pet Medics group.

Wider networks – we have connections in Romania with one rescue correspondent. We have a UK rescue Vet that refers dogs to us that are possibly adoptable.

All trustees give their time voluntarily and received no remuneration or other benefits.

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

To promote humane behaviour towards dogs, both in the UK and Romania, by providing appropriate care, protection, treatment, safe shelter & security for dogs in need of care by reason of mistreatment, abandonment, poor circumstances or ill use.

To actively seek homes for rescued dogs and advance public understanding of dog welfare by providing training and support to adopters.

In planning our activities for the year we kept in mind the Charity Commissions guidance on public benefit at our trustee meetings.

In the current climate we are being approached daily with dogs that are unwanted for various reasons. We have seen an increase in dogs left from bereavement, financial restraints on families, training ignorance and lack of understanding of dogs needs.

Whilst we have taken many of these dogs into our rescue for rehoming, a lot of them have gone on to remain in their homes with our support and education. We are providing an advisory role to the community dog owners. We also have referred dog owners to engage with local food banks for dogs.

We have been a point of contact for not only vets in the area with dogs presenting for euthanasia but also have had referrals from the bigger rescues namely Jerry Green / RSPCA who very often supply our details to dog owners wanting to surrender their dogs .

## 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)

### The main activities undertaken are as follows:

- A more detailed application form is now used, along with detailed home checking for potential adopters;
- A full training programme has been written with the help of our trainers, which provides further information regarding rescuing a dog;
- Providing the opportunity to engage with our trainers on a 1-2-1 basis soon after adoption;
- Pre-adoption screening has become more in-depth and intense discussions surrounding possible scenarios are discussed prior to adoption;
- Full support to adopters is always provided on an ongoing basis; and
- A dual microchipping service is always implemented to keep track of all the dogs with an admin support check in service which is gradually reduced to annually at an appropriate timescale.

These activities benefit the public by developing their knowledge and understanding of dog welfare and provides them with the skills, knowledge and confidence to train their dogs, who also provide them with companionship.

These activities also benefit our staff and volunteers by developing their skills, self confidence and knowledge; dealing with members of the public, social media and attending fundraising events.

## 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.

Volunteers are vital to our rescue, not only for the smooth running of our back up kennels but also continuing the cycle of rescue and support.

We are grateful for the many hours volunteers have spent working for the rescue. Without this valuable contribution of time, energy and expertise we would not have been able to achieve so much.

**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**

This is the second year our charity has been operational and during this time we have re-homed 96 dogs and raised £63.6k in donations – which has enabled us to achieve the following:

**The main activities achieved during this year are as follows:**

- Continuation of the rescue and re-homing of dogs; working with the dogs to train and rehabilitate them, until they are ready for adoption
- Recruit 2 additional part time staff
- Added electrics & flooring to the main cabin
- Added an outside shed, to safely store all donated items for the auctions
- Condensed a number of small freezers, to one large chest freezer to store all the raw dog food
- Created an outside obstacle / agility course to provide exercise and enrichment for the dogs
- Our Database has been upgraded, making it more accessible and easier to manage and update
- Provide full support to adopters is provided on an ongoing basis

**Fundraising Events**

We have attended several fundraising events to promote local awareness of the charity, to enlist support and recognition. We also run monthly auctions on our website generating valuable funding. The Buddies Club membership has been created which provides us with regular monthly contributions which aid with future financial planning and members feel included in the charity. Members receive a monthly newsletter and a chance of a gift which includes merchandise and dog related items.

**Website**

A website has been created and hosted to promote public awareness and provide information. Details of the charity work can be found on here and a list of available dogs for adoption can also be viewed. An understanding of the work undertaken by the charity is vital for further support. Currently we have over 16,000 followers on social media. (12,000 23/24)

## Section E

## Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

At 31.3.25 the bank balance was £20.5k in unrestricted funds

The funds are held to cover 2 months of operational costs in the event of a loss of income and to meet any unforeseen expenditure that may arise.

The main financial risk / concern to the charity is the reduction in donations, as these are the only form of funding received.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

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.

The main source of funding comes from adoption fees and voluntary contributions boosted by Gift Aid, which has provided much needed financial support.

Fundraising events are attended throughout the year at local carnivals – we have a stall and sell items such as dog beds and bowls along with a tombola and a raffle.

We also run an online auction on a monthly basis selling donated items. This raises on average around £1000 per month.

## Section F

## Other optional information

### FUTURE PLANS:

During Next year we aim to:

- improve the safety of the kennels by adding indoor latches if working with volatile dogs
- Expanding our merchandise items, such as adding a range of gifts eg our Charity Teddy Bear, printed logo tea towels and new designs for Christmas as well as continuation of our Christmas Calendar.
- Continuation of Staff Training – handling and training the dogs

## Section G

## Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>	<i>D. Akbani</i>	<i>L. Turner</i>
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Denise Akbani	Linda Turner
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Overall Site Manager	accountant
<b>Date</b>	04.10.25	



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

DOGGY DENS UK RESCUE

1203163

## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period  
from

01.04.2024

To

31.03.25

### 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 £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations	63,594	-	-	63,594	39,588
Adoption Fees	45,783	-	-	45,783	16,900
Fundraising Events	11,288	-	-	11,288	3,192
Gift Aid Receipts	16,296	-	-	16,296	2,888
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>136,961</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>136,961</b>	<b>62,568</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>136,961</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>136,961</b>	<b>62,568</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Salaries	69,764	-	-	69,764	25,609
Repairs & Maintenance	2,801	-	-	2,801	10,092
General supplies, eg dog food	18,110	-	-	18,110	7,326
Vet Fees	5,524	-	-	5,524	4,236
Dog Transport Fees	4,784	-	-	4,784	2,626
Fundraising Fees	3,422	-	-	3,422	2,067
Donations	17,502	-	-	17,502	1,440
Insurance	1,249	-	-	1,249	-
Miscellaneous	649	-	-	649	-
Website	450	-	-	450	-
Expenses	435	-	-	435	-
Telephone	231	-	-	231	101
Fees, eg PayPal	538	-	-	538	39
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>125,459</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>125,459</b>	<b>53,536</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>125,459</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>125,459</b>	<b>53,536</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>11,502</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11,502</b>	<b>9,032</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>9,032</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,032</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>20,534</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>20,534</b>	<b>9,032</b>

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Cash at Bank	20,534	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	20,534	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	Agreement Error
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds to nearest £</b>	<b>Restricted funds to nearest £</b>	<b>Endowment funds to nearest £</b>
	Gift Aid Claims Due (Jan to Mar 25)	2,996	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost (optional)</b>	<b>Current value (optional)</b>
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost (optional)</b>	<b>Current value (optional)</b>
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which liability relates</b>	<b>Amount due (optional)</b>	<b>When due (optional)</b>
	Salaries for March	unrestricted	5,595	01.04.25
	Pension for March	unrestricted	190	09.04.25
	PAYE (Jan to Mar)	unrestricted	1,101	22.04.25
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	<b>Signature</b>	<b>Print Name</b>	<b>Date of approval</b>	
	D. Akbani	Denise Akbani	04.10.25	
	L. Turner	Linda Turner	04.10.25	





Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Charity Name  
DOGGY DENS UK RESCUE

On accounts for the year  
ended

31 MARCH 2025

Charity no  
(if any)

1203163

Set out on pages

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(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 31 / 03 / 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 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 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:

C Haynes

Date:

20.12.25

Name:

Claire Haynes

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

ACCA – Association of Chartered Certified Accountants

Address:

29 Gressingham Close, Mansfield, Notts. NG19 0FH

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.**