



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report

Period: February 15, 2024 to February 14, 2025

Charity name: Greek Stray ResQ & Support

Charity registration number: 1207028

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The purpose of Greek Stray ResQ & Support, as set out in its governing document, is to promote humane behaviour towards animals, prevent cruelty and suffering, and provide appropriate care, protection, treatment and security for stray dogs and cats in Greece. The Charity also aims to advance public education in matters pertaining to animal welfare and responsible pet ownership.
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	In furtherance of these purposes, the Charity operates as a volunteer-led organisation providing direct assistance to animals in need across Greece. Its principal activities include coordinating veterinary care, food, parasite treatments, adoption and fostering, and transport for stray animals. The Charity also provides education and guidance to members of the public — including tourists and local residents — on how to support or legally adopt stray animals. Through its digital platforms, the Charity raises awareness, promotes individual animals in need, and facilitates adoptions, fostering, and donations. It does not transfer unrestricted funds to shelters but instead pays directly for goods and services that directly support animal welfare. All activities are delivered without charge and for the direct public benefit.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have	Para 1.18	The trustees confirm that they have had due regard to the Charity Commission's

had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit		guidance on public benefit when planning and reviewing the Charity's activities and objectives. The trustees are satisfied that all the Charity's operations in 2024–2025 have continued to deliver clear public benefit in line with its charitable purposes.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	Greek Stray ResQ & Support does not issue unrestricted grants or lump-sum funding to shelters or individuals. Instead, the Charity provides targeted support by directly purchasing and distributing goods and services such as veterinary treatment, food, parasite treatments, pet transport, and fostering assistance. This approach ensures transparency, accountability, and alignment with the Charity's objectives while allowing for oversight of how funds are used to support animal welfare.
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	The Charity does not currently engage in social investment or programme-related investment activities. Its funds are used solely to further its charitable objectives through direct charitable expenditure.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Volunteers are at the heart of Greek Stray ResQ & Support's operations. The Charity is entirely run by unpaid trustees and supported by a growing network of volunteers across Greece and the UK. Volunteers assist with fostering, transport coordination, translations, fundraising, and social media outreach. They also respond to emergencies, advise tourists and local rescuers, and support the adoption process. Without this voluntary contribution, the Charity's work would not be possible.
Other		The Charity uses its social media platforms and website not only to raise funds, but also to educate the public on responsible pet ownership, legal adoption procedures, and animal welfare best practices. Its digital presence is a key driver of community engagement and facilitates both national and international rehoming efforts.

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
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.	Para 1.20	<p>2024 was a year of significant growth and impact for Greek Stray ResQ & Support, following our registration as a UK charity early in the year. From that milestone, we expanded our reach across Greece and beyond, helping hundreds of stray animals find safety, medical care, foster placements, and, ultimately, loving homes. Through our growing community—now nearing 10,000 members—we built a collaborative platform that empowers tourists, rescuers, and volunteers to intervene on behalf of strays in distress.</p> <p>Throughout the year, we facilitated the adoption of well over 100 dogs and cats, both directly through our platforms and indirectly by connecting individuals with local rescuers. Many of these animals came from heartbreaking situations—paralysed after car accidents, abandoned on mountainsides, or left behind after an owner's death. Our team supported each case with practical assistance, including funding for veterinary care, blood tests, neutering, pet taxis, ferry transport, temporary fosters, and the preparation of legal documentation for international adoptions.</p> <p>We developed strong social media outreach via Facebook, Instagram, TikTok, and our newly launched website, promoting hundreds of individual animals and responding to a constant flow of inquiries from around the world. As a result, our online presence generated donations, increased awareness, and directly led to many adoptions, including from countries such as the UK, the Netherlands, and even the USA. In parallel, our monthly in-person meetings and cross-border collaborations—especially with UK-based volunteers and shelters—helped strengthen ties across our network.</p> <p>The community spirit at the heart of Greek Stray ResQ & Support was reflected in the countless volunteers who answered calls for help, offered foster care, donated funds and supplies, and travelled across Greece to rescue or assess animals in need. Our team worked daily to guide tourists and locals</p>

		<p>alike through the adoption process, advise shelters on legal requirements, and distribute donated medications, bedding, and food. Whether through social platforms, direct support, or tireless behind-the-scenes coordination, our efforts in 2024 laid a strong foundation for expanding our rescue work and impact in the years ahead.</p>
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Additional information (optional)

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Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>In its first year as a registered UK charity, Greek Stray ResQ & Support made measurable progress toward its core objectives: to alleviate animal suffering, promote humane treatment of strays, and educate the public on animal welfare. Through consistent outreach, collaboration with shelters and volunteers across Greece, and targeted use of resources, the Charity directly facilitated dozens of successful adoptions, veterinary interventions, and fostering placements. It also expanded its educational efforts through social media and one-on-one guidance to both locals and tourists, furthering its goal of improving welfare standards and responsible ownership practices.</p>
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>The Charity's fundraising strategy focused on ethical, community-driven campaigns through social media, in-person events, and platform partnerships. These efforts successfully funded core activities such as veterinary care, transport, and fostering, while also building donor trust and engagement. Funds raised were applied in full to operational goals, with all financial activity reviewed monthly by trustees. The successful registration for Gift Aid and expansion to UK fundraising platforms (e.g. Easyfundraising, Give as You Live) have helped lay the foundation for sustainable growth in line with future objectives.</p>
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	<p>The Charity does not currently hold or manage investment assets and focuses exclusively on charitable expenditure to further its aims.</p>

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	At the end of the reporting period, Greek Stray ResQ & Support had total income of £19,484.00, with expenditure of £9,522.65. The Charity maintained a year-end balance of £9,961.35, enabling it to continue delivering its core activities without interruption. All income was generated through donations and fundraising activities. The Charity does not employ paid staff, and all operational activities are undertaken by trustees and volunteers, ensuring that funds are directed primarily toward direct animal welfare interventions.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The Charity's reserves policy is designed to ensure financial stability and continuity of operations in the event of unexpected income shortfalls or emergency expenditure. The trustees aim to maintain unrestricted reserve of a minimum of £1,500. This helps protect the Charity's ability to respond promptly to urgent animal welfare needs while maintaining its commitment to transparency and responsible financial management.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	At the end of the period, the Charity held reserves totalling £1,500, which the target set under the Charity's reserves policy. The trustees will continue to monitor reserves regularly to ensure the policy remains appropriate and sustainable.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	There are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern. The trustees are confident in the Charity's financial sustainability, supported by a growing donor base, effective cost management, and a strong volunteer-led model.

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 principal sources of funding for Greek Stray ResQ & Support are voluntary donations from members of the public, fundraising events such as bazaars and pop-up charity shops, and digital fundraising campaigns conducted through platforms like Facebook, Instagram, TikTok, and the Charity's website. The Charity is also registered with UK fundraising platforms including <i>Easyfundraising</i> , <i>Give as You Live</i> , and <i>Dontsendmeacard.com</i> . No government funding was received during the period.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	The Charity does not currently hold or manage investment assets and has not adopted a social investment policy. All income is used to support charitable activities directly in accordance with the Charity's objectives.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The principal risks facing the Charity include fluctuations in donation income, reliance on volunteer capacity, and the operational risks of coordinating cross-border animal welfare efforts. To mitigate these, the Charity has implemented an annual risk assessment process, maintains strong financial oversight, and provides guidance to volunteers through clear policies. No significant financial or legal risks were identified during the reporting period.

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		Greek Stray ResQ & Support is established as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). It operates solely to pursue the charitable purposes defined in its governing document, with no subsidiary trusts or endowments.
Type of governing document	Para 1.25	The Charity is governed by a constitution approved by the Charity Commission for CIOs under the Foundation model, which outlines its charitable purposes, governance structure, and procedures for trustee appointment and decision-making.
How is the charity constituted?	Para 1.25	The Charity is constituted as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), registered in England and Wales on 15 February 2024.

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	Trustees are appointed in accordance with the provisions of the Charity's Constitution. The board is self-appointing, with new trustees selected and approved by the existing trustees. All appointments and retirements are recorded and managed in compliance with the Charity Commission's requirements. There is no external body entitled to appoint trustees.
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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	New trustees are provided with an induction pack containing the Charity's governing document, key policies, Charity Commission guidance on trustee responsibilities, and an overview of operational procedures. Ongoing discussions and updates ensure trustees remain informed of changes in regulation, best practices, and strategic priorities.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	The Charity is overseen by six volunteer trustees and operates without paid staff. Day-to-day activities are carried out by a network of volunteers across mainly Greece and the UK. The Charity works closely with local shelters, independent rescuers, and partner organisations—particularly those with limited visibility or resources—to deliver practical support for stray animals. It also maintains connections with UK-based supporters to facilitate international adoptions and fundraising.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	There are currently no financial or controlling relationships with any related parties. The Charity occasionally collaborates with aligned organisations or individuals (such as Chrissy's Hope) for specific animal welfare cases, but all charitable funds are managed independently and used solely in line with the Charity's stated purposes.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	GREEK STRAY RESQ & SUPPORT
Other name the charity uses	GSRQ (Working name)
Registered charity number	1207028
Charity's principal address	<p>Cherry Tree Cottage Roxholme Road Leasingham Lincolnshire NG34 8NQ</p> <p>Phone: +44 7534254896 Email: greekstrayresq@gmail.com Website: www.greekstrayrescue.com</p>

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	Suzanne Wingfield	Managing Director		
2	June Newby	Treasurer		
3	Patty Tottas	Community Relations		
4	Stuart Francis	Comms & Marketing		
5	Kent Vorland	Fundraising & Partnerships		
6	Lina Papageorgiou	Legal Liaison Officer	From 10.06.25	
7	Michael Newby			

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	The Charity does not act as custodian trustee for any other charity or hold funds on behalf of any third party.
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Declarations

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

Signed electronically on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature

Suzanne Wingfield

Full name

Suzanne Wingfield

Position

Managing Director

Date

3/10/25





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Charity Name
Greek Stray ResQ and Support

No (if any)
1207028

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
2/15/2024

To

Period end date
2/14/2025

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 £
A1 Receipts					
	19,484	-	-	19,484	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	19,484	-	-	19,484	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	19,484	-	-	19,484	-
A3 Payments					
	9,523	-	-	9,523	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	9,523	-	-	9,523	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	9,523	-	-	9,523	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	9,961	-	-	9,961	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	9,961	-	-	9,961	-

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 £
B1 Cash funds		9,961	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	9,961	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature electronic	Print Name	Date of approval	
	June Newby Stuart Francis	June Newby Stuart Francis	10/3/2025 10/3/2025	