



Trustees Annual Report 2024-2025

Trustees

Name	Date appointed	Role
Siobhan Healey	01/05/2024	Chair, Trustee
Sarah McCluskey	30/10/2024	Trustee
Rob Parker	31/01/2024	Trustee
Sian Owen	31/01/2024	Trustee

Reporting Period

07 May 2024 – 31 March 2025

Charity Details

Charity Name: Charlie's Place UK Budgie Rescue

Charity Number: 1208136

Legal Structure: Charitable Incorporated Organisation (Foundation Model)

Principal address: 39 Chicory Drive, Rugby, Warwickshire. CV23 0UB

Income and Expenditure

May 2024 – March 2025

Income £6,445.88 (donations: £5,445.88 grant: £1000) **Expenditure** £6,299.50
(difference £146.50)

One-off Costs (≥£150) <i>One-off expenditure for this period</i>		Repeatable Costs (expected to vary annually) <i>Ongoing operational costs</i>	
Wet & Dry Vacuums	£168*	Vets	£1287.37
Brinsea Incubator	£294.45*	Food (Haiths seed/dried herbs/frozen fruit & veg)	£772.58*
Materials for aviary upgrade	£250*	Disinfectant/cleaning/bulbs	£578.70*
Roller banners/Charity calendars/mic/tripod/gimbal for content	£379.80*	Toys/enrichment	£428*
Fogger, heaters, tarpaulin, humidifier, nebuliser	£280*	Supplements/stock medicines/first-aid peripherals	£417*
Air purifiers	£240.79*	Air purifier filters	£265
Hospital & travel cages	£185*	Website/email renewal	£260
1 x cage upgrade for indoor bird room	£150*	Easichick bedding	£144.36
Waste removal for aviary upgrade	£150*	Cleaning peripherals/PPE	£48.45
	£2098.04		£4201.46

*This year's expenditure includes several one-off costs related to the initial setup of the charity, which are not expected to recur in the next financial year.

Forecasted expenditure and income for Apr 2025 – Mar 2026

Income

(targets)	Monthly total	Yearly total
Regular donations	£90	£1080
One-off donations	£150	£1800
Grants	-	£500
Events	-	£500

= £3,880

Expenditure

av. monthly total of 43 resident birds (vs 65)

Vets (including disease testing fees): £1300
Food: £550
Bulbs: £150
Toys/enrichment: £350
Supplements/stock meds/first-aid: £400
Cleaning peripherals/PPE: £250
Air purifier filters: £280
Website/email renewal: £260
Printing: £60
Easichick: £160
Mobile phone: £52.80
Bank service charge: £51

= £3863.80

Annual costs: £2,050

Monthly costs: £151.15

Objectives and Activities

Charitable Object: To promote humane behaviour towards Budgerigars by providing care, protection, treatment, and security for those in need due to sickness, maltreatment, or poor circumstances, and to educate the public on Budgerigar welfare.

Public Benefit Statement: The trustees confirm they have complied with their duty under section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Total budgies rescued for the period		202
Completed adoptions		
via CPUK	11	109
direct to adopter	98	
Current flock (as of July 2025)		
available for adoption	27	58
sanctuary care*	31	
deaths	35	Disease/Infection: 22 Rat: 8 Escaped: 4 Vets: 1

* Includes 1) may be suitable for adoption, pending rehabilitation 2) are unsuitable for adoption, by way of health/age and consequential stress impact of rehoming.

CPUK

- Achieved official Charity Commission Charity status in May 2024
- Free CANVA software for social media (saving £12.99 p/m)
- Free WeTransfer software for large file transfers (saving £23 p/m)
- Negotiated discounts (Haiths: seed/Aviform: supplements/Meadows Animal Health: F10 disinfectant)
- Gifted two branded car magnets (saving £50) from Nutmeg Wall Art
- Gifted a large, flight-challenged appropriate cage for indoor bird room (saving £250) from Amazon
- Set up www.charliesplaceuk.com, email address and created digital Charity logo
- Launched CPUK Instagram (584 followers) and Facebook (685 followers)
- Extended existing aviary – only material costs paid

BETTER LIVES FOR BUDGIES

- April 2024:** Completed an active role in the 'Pet Shop Campaign' to highlight evidence of poor animal welfare and pet shop conditions
- July 2024:** Raised funds via social media for Brinsea Incubator (£294.45)
- Aug 2024:** Secured a £1000 grant from Animal Friends Insurance for vet fees and air purifier filters
- Nov 2024:** Completed a large-scale, collaborative rescue operation (involving Busy Beaks Bird Rescue and Craig's Crazy Flock) of 112 birds from a domestic property
- Completed an investigation into the transparency of the register of person(s) disqualified from owning/keeping an animal under s.34 of the Animal Welfare Act 2006
 - 109 adoptions

EDUCATION

- Provided video-content contribution to the worldwide 'Parrot Awareness Week' initiative
- Began a Facebook UK bird rescue networking group (now at 50 members)
- Created Budgie Care PDF Guides & PBFD infographic guides, endorsed & supported by avian professionals

Ambitions

	What?	Why?	Result
1	Increased focus on adoptions	Reduce resident birds at CPUK to create capacity for educational/preventative work and reduce operational costs	- Reduced operational cost - Increase on completed adoptions
2	Increase educational activity/output	To contribute to sustainable harm reduction and prevention	- YouTube channel launched - Representation of CPUK at public events
3	Increase social media following/engagement	To enable greater reach in support of ambitions 1 and 2	- IG: 730 FB: 855

