

# Animal Connexions

Northern Ireland · Charity number 109129

## Details

Known as	Animal Connexions Northern Ireland
Status	Received
Registered	2022-09-28
Register	<a href="#">View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register</a>

## Contact

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Website	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/animal-connexions-148502008923">https://www.facebook.com/animal-connexions-148502008923</a>

## Activities

**Purposes:** The Association is established to: Relieve the suffering and distress of cats, kittens, dogs, puppies and other domestic animals who are in need of care and protection by reason of sickness neglect or maltreatment, in particular by the provision of a rescue and re-homing service and by establishing a home or homes as a sanctuary for the temporary or permanent accommodation of such animals. Advance public education in the proper care of animals

**What the charity does:** The advancement of education, The advancement of animal welfare

**How the charity works:** Animal welfare, Education/training

**Who the charity helps:** General public

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£36,074	£38,063	£0	0

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
Mr Jason Lintern Leigh		
Mrs Grace Patricia Leigh		
Mrs Sheelagh Ann Dale		
Mrs Siobhan Gilmore		

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# Accounts

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# Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Animal Connexions

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024

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## Independent examiner's qualified statement

I have completed my examination and I have I have no concerns in respect of any of the matters (1), (2), (3) and (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no other matters that require drawing to your attention.

Name: Victoria Tweed

Address: 15 Carquillan, Hilltown, Newry, Co Down BT34 5UQ

Date: 25<sup>th</sup> October 2025

Signed



Date: 25/10/2025

Time: 14:49:32

## Animal Connexions

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### Profit and Loss

From: Month 1, January 2024

To: Month 12, December 2024

Chart of Accounts: Default Layout of Accounts [PARTIAL]

	<u>Period</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>	
<b>Sales</b>			
Adoptions/Rehoming	6,571.25	6,571.25	
Donations	11,485.05	11,485.05	
Collections/Fundraising	18,018.08	18,018.08	
	36,074.38		36,074.38
<b>Purchases</b>			
Kennel Costs	17,512.00	17,512.00	
Vet Fees	19,658.20	19,658.20	
Animal Supplies	893.75	893.75	
	38,063.95		38,063.95
<b>Direct Expenses</b>			
	0.00		0.00
<b>Gross Profit/(Loss):</b>			
	<u>(1,989.57)</u>		<u>(1,989.57)</u>
<b>Overheads</b>			
Insurance	331.02	331.02	
Fuel	120.00	120.00	
Postage & Stationary	287.19	287.19	
Computer & Software	92.39	92.39	
Motor Exp	189.40	189.40	
Bank Charges/Fees/ Paypal	24.33	24.33	
	1,044.33		1,044.33
<b>Net Profit/(Loss):</b>			
	<u>(3,033.90)</u>		<u>(3,033.90)</u>

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**Balance Sheet**

From: Month 1, January 2024

To: Month 12, December 2024

Chart of Accounts:

Default Layout of Accounts [PARTIAL]

	<b>Period</b>	<b>Year to Date</b>	
<b>Fixed Assets</b>			
		0.00	0.00
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Bank Current Account	(2,973.40)	10,321.04	
Cash	(72.67)	22.44	
Paypal	(1,187.83)	560.36	
	(4,233.90)		10,903.84
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
		0.00	0.00
<b>Current Assets less Current Liabilities:</b>	(4,233.90)		10,903.84
<b>Total Assets less Current Liabilities:</b>	(4,233.90)		10,903.84
<b>Long Term Liabilities</b>			
		0.00	0.00
<b>Total Assets less Total Liabilities:</b>	(4,233.90)		10,903.84
<b>Capital &amp; Reserves</b>			
Funds	0.00	(219.20)	
P & L Account	(3,033.90)	(3,033.90)	
	(3,033.90)		(3,253.10)

Date: 25/10/2025  
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**Animal Connexions**  
**Profit & Loss (with Prior Year Values)**

From: Month 1, January 2024  
 To: Month 12, December 2024  
 Chart of Accounts:

Default Layout of Accounts [PARTIAL]

	<u>Period</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>Prior Year Period</u>	<u>Prior Year To Date</u>
<b>Sales</b>				
Adoptions/Rehoming	6,571.25	6,571.25	7,134.93	7,134.93
Donations	11,485.05	11,485.05	26,002.56	26,002.56
Collections/Fundraising	18,018.08	18,018.08	3,286.48	3,286.48
	36,074.38	36,074.38	36,974.66	36,974.66
<b>Purchases</b>				
Kennel Costs	17,512.00	17,512.00	24,619.00	24,619.00
Vet Fees	19,658.20	19,658.20	10,618.16	10,618.16
Animal Supplies	893.75	893.75	782.23	782.23
	38,063.95	38,063.95	36,019.39	36,019.39
<b>Direct Expenses</b>				
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Gross Profit/(Loss):</b>	<b>(1,989.57)</b>	<b>(1,989.57)</b>	<b>955.27</b>	<b>955.27</b>
<b>Overheads</b>				
Insurance	331.02	331.02	321.42	321.42
Fuel	120.00	120.00	122.06	122.06
Postage & Stationary	287.19	287.19	0.00	0.00
Computer & Software	92.39	92.39	0.00	0.00
Motor Exp	189.40	189.40	57.95	57.95
Bank Charges/Fees/ Paypal	24.33	24.33	130.35	130.35
	1,044.33	1,044.33	1,174.47	1,174.47
<b>Net Profit/(Loss):</b>	<b>(3,033.90)</b>	<b>(3,033.90)</b>	<b>(219.20)</b>	<b>(219.20)</b>

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# Accounts

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Name: Victoria Jane Tweed

Relevant professional qualification if any: Finance & Operations

Address: 15 Carquillan, Hilltown, Newry, Co Down, BT34 5UQ

Date: 4<sup>th</sup> October 2024

Signed



# Animal Connexions

## Profit and Loss Report

01 January, 2023 - 31 December, 2023

### Sales

4000 - Adoptions & Rehoming	7,134.93	
4001 - Donations	26,002.56	
4002 - Collection Boxes/ Fundraising	3,286.48	
4900 - Other income	550.69	
	<b>Total Sales</b>	<b>£36,974.66</b>

### Direct Expenses

5000 - Kennels	24,619.00	
5001 - Vets Fees	10,618.16	
5002 - Animal Supplies	782.23	
	<b>Total Direct Expenses</b>	<b>£36,019.39</b>
	<b>GROSS PROFIT / LOSS</b>	<b>£955.27</b>

### Overheads

7130 - Insurance	321.42	
7300 - Vehicle Fuel	122.06	
7506 - Shows/Fetes Costs	57.95	
7510 - Postage and Carriage	5.44	
7520 - Office Stationery	137.50	
7550 - Computer & Software	160.00	
7611 - Training Fees	160.01	
7900 - Bank Charges/Interest/Paypal Fees	130.35	
8220 - Clothing Costs	79.74	
	<b>Total Overheads</b>	<b>£1,174.47</b>
	<b>NET PROFIT / LOSS</b>	<b>-£219.20</b>

# Animal Connexions

## Balance Sheet Report

To: 31 December, 2023

### ASSETS

#### Fixed Assets

**Total Fixed Assets** £0.00

#### Current Assets

1200 - Bank Account

13,294.44

1210 - Cash

95.11

1230 - Paypal

1,748.19

**Total Current Assets** £15,137.74

**TOTAL ASSETS** £15,137.74

### LIABILITIES

#### Current Liabilities

**Total Current Liabilities** £0.00

#### Future Liabilities

**Total Future Liabilities** £0.00

**TOTAL LIABILITIES** £0.00

**TOTAL NET ASSETS** £15,137.74

**EQUITY**

Net Profit / Loss	15,137.74	
<i>Net Profit / Loss (prior year(s))</i>	15,356.94	
<i>Net Profit / Loss (current year)</i>	-219.20	
	<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>	<b>£15,137.74</b>

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# Annual report

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# **Animal Connexions**

## **Trustees report**

**31<sup>st</sup> December 2023**

### **Trustees:**

**Grace Leigh**

**Jason Leigh**

**Sheelagh Dale**

**Siobhan Gilmore**

### **Who are we**

**We are a small animal rescue in Northern Ireland since 1996. We are solely run by volunteers and have no paid staff, every penny raised goes to ensure the welfare of dogs & cats in our care. Due to complying with Covid19 restrictions this had an impact on the charitable income and volunteer help.**

### **What we do**

**The rescue provides safety & security & love for unwanted, abused and those little ones who find themselves in pounds and basically who have no future. We provide people with contacts such as trusted behaviourists who can help keep a dog in their own home, its works well and many dogs respond well to this & therefore are able to stay in the security of their own homes. We also take in orphan & abandoned new born kittens for hand rearing. We provide the public with advice on spaying and neutering dogs and cats or indeed any concerns they may have. We have a structured**

**rehoming process and a strict No Kill policy. We do not adopt out any animal until a home visit is completed and we get to know the prospective new owner and their family, if successful there will be a meet and greet & any dogs in the home will be brought along. If successful the dog will go to new home for at least 3 weeks before adoption to see if they settle & within that time frame we keep in touch.**

**We promote animal welfare within Northern Ireland and are happy to advise should anyone need our help. We use private boarding kennels where our dogs are very well looked after & are loved by the staff. They have heated kennels and get out every day to play with each other and get walked. Our dogs take turns to go to the doggy fun park where this enables them to socialise with all types of dogs & many humans, it also gives them mental stimulation. We also take some of our dogs for swimming and therapy if required. Many thanks go to the fun park staff and the therapy staff for all they do for us.**

**We are still trying to recover from Covid19 lockdown which took a toll on the rescue. We worked online to raise funds and had so much amazing help from others who also set up fund raising, without their kindness, generosity & support it is doubtful we would have survived. We cannot thank them enough for how they helped us to keep on helping the little ones.**

## **2023 information**

**During 2023 we carried forward 22 dogs from 2022 these dogs were successfully adopted during January, February and March. We had an intake of 54 dogs from January to December 2023, 42 were surrenders from owners, 12 were pound related. Most were successfully adopted during the year. We had some traumatised dogs which needed work & they therefore stayed with us for some time. We rarely get dogs returned to us and on the rare occasion it would be a change of family circumstances. Matching of dogs with new owners takes priority because it has to be their forever home.**

**We have several wonderful foster carers who will care for dogs who have had to have surgery and are traumatised in kennels and also for the little oldies. Our kitten foster mum specialises in new born orphans. The foster carers are the core of the rescue and are very much appreciated. We had an intake of over 100 new born orphan kittens some were sadly lost due to viral illness they carried which affected so many others besides ourselves. Despite extensive veterinary care little could be done. All our animals get the very best in veterinary care and this is what we raise funds for.**

**We keep in touch with all those who have adopted and they update us with progress & photos which is a great joy to us. Our veterinary accounts were high due to orphan kittens and also dogs who came to us and needed spayed, neutered, vaccinated, wormed and various medical conditions.**

**We have at this time to thank our lovely volunteers and supporters, kennel staff, the vets we work with, dog groomers, businesses and others who have supplied us with donated food especially those who help with supplying specialised milk, food and litter for the kittens.**

**The Trustees are hands on and do not have any beneficial interest in the charity. Our team update each other every day on various topics.**

**We welcome new volunteers to work alongside of our happy and friendly team.**

**This report was approved by the Board of Trustees**

**Signed on behalf of Trustees 20<sup>th</sup> October 2024**

*Sheelagh Dale*

*Trustee*

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Dale', with a horizontal line underneath.

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# Annual return

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