

## Trustees Report

### Labrador Retriever Rescue Southern England June 2020

At the time of writing this report the effects of the COVID-19 virus are still very much impinging on every aspect of our lives, and charities are not exempt from this. The restriction on physical movement and face to face contact has meant that for the last part of our financial year we have been unable to rehome as many dogs as would normally have been the case. Despite this, the need for us to take over the care of unwanted dogs remains at nearly the same level as other years, and requests for our help remain very high, with families having to work longer hours and finding that their dogs are not coping with being left alone for long periods of time, or being unable to afford medical treatment for their dogs. Marriage breakups or moving into rented accommodation are also common factors for the need to rehome a pet. We have also had an increasing number of young dogs for whom we need not only to find new homes but also to train prior to rehoming them. We have achieved this with the assistance of behaviourists and trainers to resolve issues that the dog arrives with, but this of course is another expense that is covered by us.

We have always tried to do as much as possible to help the stray dogs and have found an increase in the number of dogs we are asked to help from the pounds. These dogs not only require a foster place for assessment but invariably require veterinary treatment prior to being ready for rehoming.

This year has seen a tremendous escalation in our work to help dogs from abroad, particularly China. The difficulties in language, complicated administration to say nothing of the distances to be covered, cannot be underestimated, and the costs are considerable. If the disgusting markets for dogs to be used for human food continue to exist in the Far East, it is difficult to see our responsibilities diminishing in this area.

Veterinary fees and kennelling costs are by far our biggest expense. Where possible we try to put dogs in foster homes. Due to the increased number of dogs we are asked to help we find that kennelling is our only option for many of them. As in previous years we have dogs that we need to continue to support even after rehoming. This has meant that we have been able to place dogs in loving permanent homes that would otherwise have been impossible due to their lifelong medical needs. We have again placed many older dogs with older people and the results for both the people and the dogs are amazing. We have been delighted to see the improvement in the wellbeing and enjoyment of life of both dogs and adopters.

We have not received so much money by bequest this year, but our level of donations has increased considerably which has some gone some way to offset this loss.

All our achievements for this year are, as always, down to the tremendous dedication of our team of volunteers who work tirelessly, giving an ever increasing amount of their time to make life good again for many wonderful dogs and we thank them all.



# Labrador Retriever Rescue Southern England (LRRSE)

## Trustees' Annual Report and Statement of Accounts

Year Ended June 30<sup>th</sup> 2020

Charity Registration Number: 1105955

Patrons: Marc Abraham BVM&S MRCVS, Bryony Hill, Maria Slough

Registered office: 247 Malden Way, New Malden, Surrey, KT3 5QW

# Trustees Annual Report for the year ended June 2020

The Trustees for the period July 2019 to June 2020

Sue Birmingham

Louise Dixon

Sarah Smith

## Charity Aims and Objectives

### Labrador Retriever Rescue Southern England (LRRSE)

1. To unite and re-home to a suitable caring and loving new home pure bred Labrador Retrievers and Labrador cross breeds within the UK.
2. To recover and rehabilitate if necessary, any Labrador Retriever or Labrador Cross which has been ill-treated, neglected, or is unwanted for whatever reason, irrespective of the age, sex or health of the dog.
3. To do all that is possible to ensure the continued welfare of dogs that come through our care and to keep in contact with the dog to ensure its continued well-being.

# Financial Statement

Labrador Retriever Rescue Southern England

Accounting Period: 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019 – 30<sup>th</sup> June 2020

<b>Income</b>	£
Donations & Fundraising	69,444
Legacies	16,777
Gift Aid	6,526
Interest and Sundry Income	1,321
<b>Total Income</b>	94,068

## Expenses

Medical	27,959
Accommodation & Training	27,635
Administration & Transportation	17,659
Overseas Expenses	19,963
<b>Total Expenses</b>	93,216

<b>Net Profit for the year</b>	852
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## Balance Sheet as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2020

### Assets

Cash at bank	Current Account	49,365
	Deposit Account	51,410
	PayPal	2,866
	Nationwide B.S.	80,995
	Shawbrook Bank	80,005
		<u>264,641</u>

<b>Less Sundry Creditor</b>	(10,807)
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<b>Net Assets</b>	253,834
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF  
Labrador Retriever Rescue Southern England  
For the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2020

Respective responsibilities of  
Trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent  
examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's  
statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention

- a) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Acthave not been met or:
- b) which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



C.J.S. Welch FCCA, FIAA  
Independent Examiner