

**THE RED FOUNDATION - EMERGENCY DACHSHUND RESCUE
ANNUAL REPORT & ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 DECEMBER 2019**

Charity Number : 1181158



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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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CHARITY INFORMATION

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

Date of registration	13 December 2018
Registered charity number	1181158
Address	Woodside Cottage Slough Road Danbury Essex CM3 4IX
Trustees	Hayley Boland Leanne Moy-Burkitt Rachel Bracewell Vicky Wilson Lianna Carnell Sharon Laird Samantha Compton appointed 10 June 2020 Helen Mellor resigned 25 July 2019
Accountants	Edmund Carr LLP Chartered Accountants 146 New London Road Chelmsford Essex CM2 0AW

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The charity aim is to promote humane behaviour towards dachshund and dachshund cross breeds throughout the UK by providing the appropriate care, protection, treatment and security for animals which are in need of care and attention by reason of sickness, maltreatment, poor circumstances or ill-usage and to educate the public in matters pertaining to animal welfare in general and the prevention of cruelty and suffering among animals.

The Trustees confirm that the activities of the charity are undertaken to achieve the charity's aims with regard to the public benefit guidance issued by The Charity Commission.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

In 2019 208 dogs were surrendered to The Red Foundation for rehoming. Of those 208, 129 were Male and 79 Female. Mini Smooth Haired far outweighed the other coats and size at a total of 111. Less than 50% of those surrendered were KC registered. 3 Dachshunds were surrendered to us from another rescue who were struggling to rehome them and needed our specialist help, and dog wardens surrendered 2 dogs that were stray. We also had 18 Dogs with Intervertebral Disc Disease (IVDD) surrendered to us for life long care funded by The Red Foundation.

The 4 Main reasons for surrender were

1. Behavioural Issues including dog and human aggression.
2. Change in circumstance of owner meaning the dog was being left too long
3. Ill Health or Death of owner
4. Separation Anxiety & Anxiety Issues

When an owner struggling with behavioral issues or separation anxiety contacts us, we often offer them free behavioural advice with a view to the Dachshund staying with its original owners and working through any problems. We are lucky enough to have 2 qualified trainers & behaviourists that offer their services to us for free, and their help and guidance directly with the owners has stopped many Dachshunds being surrendered.

Applications to our database to adopt, foster or provide transport rose by 2100 this year, bringing the total number of applications to 4500. Each applicant is emailed to confirm receipt and also to remind them that we choose new homes based on the dogs needs not on length of time on the database. One of our team has also begun auditing the database to remove any applicants who are no longer looking to adopt.

Due to the popularity of the breed being used in advertising and on merchandise, we receive many phone calls and hundreds of emails and Facebook messages every week, these generally fall into one of the following categories;

1. Would like to adopt and want more information – They are referred to our website which contains a host of information regarding the nature of Dachshunds, the adoption and fostering process and the issues a dog that has been surrendered to us may have, along with information regarding IVDD and rare breed colour health risks and links to the Dachshund Breed Council.

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2. Reports of dogs for sale on selling sites at very low prices or free, which have a high potential to end up on puppy farms or as bait. We contact each of these adverts to offer our services. We tend to find the owners who are genuinely looking for a good home and have the welfare of their dog as a priority will accept our help to rehome, especially as we offer lifetime support.

3. Change of circumstance leading to the need for their dog to be rehomed. We discuss our procedures and policies, answer any questions they may have and begin the process.

4. Behavioural issues looking for advice.

To cope with the continuing increase in demand of our services our admin and case worker team has risen to a total of 9. In 2019 we also were able to start benefitting from gift aid, became VAT registered and now provide all of our adopted dogs with 2 months free insurance and 5kg of Raw food.

We have seen an increase in Dachshunds with IVDD being surrendered to us this year. This is due to the hard work required to rehabilitate a dog with IVDD after an operation, insurances or funds not being in place to cover the cost of the operations and ongoing costs and care required for dogs that have continued paralysis, which can also be life changing for the owner. In the past these dogs may have been put to sleep as there was no other options for owners that couldn't provide what was required. The Red Foundation are extremely lucky that the Dachshund community continue to fund raise and support us so that we can continue helping IVDD dogs.

We have used the cases of IVDD to publicise and educate owners and potential owners on the need for a good level of insurance for Dachshunds. We also have information regarding the disease on our website and link to The Breed Council's information and studies on IVDD.

Along with IVDD we have used several other of the dogs surrendered to us to educate owners and potential owner about serious issues in the breeding of Dachshunds;

1. Blue and dilute coats – These dogs are advertised by unscrupulous breeders as rare colours and therefore more expensive to buy, however the colour comes from a gene mutation and can cause horrendous skin problems and a lifetime of pain for the dogs. All of the Blue coated Dachshunds rehomed by The Red Foundation, including 1 rescued from a puppy farm will be covered for life with any costs relating to skin conditions or issues that have occurred due to their colour.

2. Double Dapple breeding – Again these dogs can be advertised as rare but in reality they have occurred only due to bad breeding practices. Double dapples can have more health issues than we can list including deafness and blindness. We have been using an example of a puppy surrendered to us from another rescue, who was born deaf and without eyes and was potentially being put to sleep, to educate owners and potential owners regarding double dapples. We rehomed the puppy with a very experienced owner who has several other blind dogs and although there is nothing we can provide to cure the deafness and blindness, we again will cover any vet costs relating to her Double Dapple for life.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

The accounts show total receipts during the year of £90,138 and payments of £68,272.

Reserves Policy

It is the policy of the Charity to maintain cash reserves sufficient to hold minimum reserves of £25,000. Our reserves at the year end were £54,511 and the surplus funds have enable us to continue our activities, despite the cancellation of fundraising events during the pandemic.

POST YEAR END EVENTS

Covid has had an impact on The Red Foundation in the following ways

1. During lockdown we were only able to deal with emergency rehome situations
2. The amount of people applying to register to adopt or foster increased due to their work situations having changed
3. Donations fell due to some standing orders being cancelled, and fund raising events were unable to take place.

As lockdown has eased we have had an increase in demand for behaviour advice after owners have returned to work after being at home for a prolonged period, and the dog no longer being used to being left.

We had a drive to encourage 100 new standing orders to be set up which was very successful and has increased regular monthly donations.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The charity is constituted under the model constitution for Charitable Incorporated Organisations and was registered as a CIO on 13th December 2018.

New trustees are appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the existing trustees. In selecting individuals for appointment, the trustees have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.

The trustees make available to each new trustee, on or before his or her first appointment:

- A copy of the current version of the constitution; and
- A copy of the CIO's latest Trustees' Annual report and statement of accounts.

Approved by the Trustees on 21 October 2020 and signed on their behalf by:

Vicky Wilson
Trustee

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2019 which are set out on pages 6 to 7.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees 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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with these records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Sandra Morrell FCCA
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22 October 2020

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RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

	2019
	£
RECEIPTS	
Adoption donations	46,005
Other donations	35,304
Gift aid	3,346
Justgiving	1,337
Shop sales	1,740
Auctions	1,352
Other income	1,054
Total Receipts	<u>90,138</u>
PAYMENTS	
Vet fees	60,896
Irrecoverable VAT	3,553
Advertising	1,467
Office and administration	530
Insurance	471
Travel and accommodation	356
Shop purchases	271
Paypal costs	94
Sundry expenses	634
Total payments	<u>68,272</u>
Net receipts/(payments)	21,866
Cash funds transferred to CIO on set up:	32,645
Cash funds carried forward	<u><u>54,511</u></u>

All funds are unrestricted

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	2019
	£
Cash funds	<u>54,511</u>

Approved by the trustees on 21 October 2020 and signed on their behalf by:

Vicky Wilson
Trustee