

Trustees' annual report for the period



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Period start date Period end date

Charity name

Charity No (if any)

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To promote humane behaviour towards animals, particularly ferrets, by providing appropriate care, protection, treatment and security for ferrets 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 ferret welfare in general and the prevention of cruelty and suffering among animals, particularly ferrets.
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	We hold, and attend, fundraising activities, such as fetes and open days, so that we can continue with our work. We also hold raffles and auctions to raise money, as well as sponsored events, such as a sponsored sky dive. We use some of the funds raised for veterinary treatment, as well as running a neutering campaign. We have increased our ferret housing, so that we can help more ferrets than before. We also continue with community education whenever we attend an event or when we are stationed in a pet store.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees have read the guidance on public benefit, and regard this guidance, issued by the Charity Commission, throughout their work with the charity.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	None
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	None
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	We have been very lucky to have had a few volunteers, who have helped with the day to day running of the rescue, such as cleaning and feeding the ferrets. We have also had volunteers help with our fundraising activities.
Other		None

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>For the year 2020, the charity has rescued, and rehomed, 163 animals. This includes 137 of those animals being surrendered by the public, as they could no longer afford to look after them.</p> <p>The rescue has also managed to neuter 106 animals within this year, which is an increase on the previous year.</p> <p>The charity has also widened the area that we will take in animals from, so that we can potentially help more members of the public, and their animals.</p>

Additional information (optional)

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Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	Due to the pandemic, we have been unable to achieve all of the goals that we had set for the charity. However, we have been continuing to work towards these and so hope to fulfill those throughout 2021
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, we have been unable to raise funds as we usually would throughout the year. However, we have still carried out online fundraising, such as holding raffles and applying for grants.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	None
Other		None

Financial Review

	SORP reference	
Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	At the end of December 2020, the charity had built up a further £763.14 in reserves.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Reserves are held, to ensure that we can continue to help animals, when fundraising is not allowed, or when donations to the charity decrease.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£1,500
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	None
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	We are still making payments to a loan we took out the previous year, for a rescue vehicle. We have approx £500 left to pay.
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	The pandemic has seen our income drop dramatically so if this were to continue indefinitely, that could be an uncertainty for the charity.

Additional information (optional)

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The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	This year, we have applied for grants to help us to continue with our work. We also ran online fundraising events, such as raffles, to raise funds.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	None
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Principal risks include lack of funding, either due to the global pandemic, or the drop in income of our supporters.
Other		None

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:	SORP reference	
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
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	Any manager or trustee can recommend potential trustee. The trustees then vote whether to appoint the potential trustee.

Additional information (optional)

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	SORP reference	
Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	Meet with chairperson, who goes through the relevant documents and guidelines with the trustee. When training is complete, they are signed off.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	We have trustees who oversee the working of the charity, with 2 managers who oversee the day to day workings. We also have volunteers who help with basic duties
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	None
Other		None

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Last Chance Coventry Ferret Rescue
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1183440
Charity's principal address	30 Torcastle Close, Coventry CV6 5QH

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	Donna McCarthy			
2	Samantha Moore		21/02/20 - 31/12/20	
3	Cheryl Bridgewater		29/02/20 - 31/12/20	
4	Kate Tomlinson			
5	Rebecca Willson			
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Reference and Administrative details

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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
None		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
None		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	None
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	None

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
None		

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Managers: Peter Phillips and Tracy Phillips

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

None

Other optional information

None

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
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Full name(s)	Donna Joy McCarthy	
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Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chairperson	
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Date	29th March 2021
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