



The Westie Rescue Scheme Limited

**Report and Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 31 December 2020**

**Charity Number 1107970
Company Number 05165270
Scottish Charity Number SC040484**

Westie Rescue Scheme

Financial Statements Year Ended 31 December 2020

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Report of the Management Committee for the Year Ended 31 December 2020

The Management Committee presents its report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020

Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name: Westie Rescue Scheme Limited

Charity Registration Number: 1107970

Company Registration Number: 05165270

Registered Office: 5 Georgina Court
Bolton
Greater Manchester
BL3 3RD

Management Committee

Mr S Yeomans	Chairman
Mr D Entwistle	Treasurer
Mrs M Evans	Secretary
Mrs J Sunter	
Mr S Thomas	
Mrs L Banham	

Accountants

Metcalfe's 3 Back St Mary's Pl, Bury BL9 0DZ

Bankers

HSBC, 59 Old Christchurch Road, Bournemouth, Dorset BH1 1EH

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 29 June 2004 and registered as a charity on 4 February 2005. The company was established under a Memorandum of association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up, members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £10.

This governing document supersedes that of charity number 280657, which was incorporated on 20 July 1980 and whose assets were transferred to the charitable company limited by guarantee 1107970 on 01 September 2005

Recruitment and Appointment of Management Committee

The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law (Section 97 of the Charities Act 1993) and under the company's Articles are known as members of the Management Committee. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association the members of the Management Committee are elected to serve for a period of 3 years after which they must retire and be re-elected at the next Annual General Meeting.

One third of the Management Committee will retire which is to be decided by lot under the company's Articles of Association. The results of this election will be announced at the Charity's Annual General Meeting on Saturday 26th May 2018

The Management Committee have a broad skill mix and whilst the charity's main activity is focussed on the management of West Highland White Terriers, the necessary business focus is well represented. In order that the broad skill mix is maintained, members of the Management Committee constantly keep abreast of all current practices within the veterinary and business world, seeking advice. In relevant circumstances, individuals with key skills and knowledge are approached to offer themselves for election to the Management Committee.

Risk Management

The Management Committee continually review the major risks to which the charity is exposed. The annual renewal of specific specialist insurance ensures that as far as the Management Committee are able, all volunteers and West Highland White Terriers that are within the charity's care are protected. Where appropriate, systems and/or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. Internal controls have been established by the Management Committee and are reviewed on a regular basis to ensure that wherever possible, all risks have been identified and procedures put in place to mitigate those risks.

Organisational Structure

The Westie Rescue Scheme has a Management Committee of up to 16 members who meet quarterly and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity. At the end of the financial year 17, the Committee had 4 (four) members from a variety of backgrounds relevant to the work of the charity.

A scheme of delegation is in place and ultimate responsibility for the charity rests with the Chairman along with other members of the Senior Management Committee (Secretary and Treasurer). The Chairman is responsible for ensuring that the charity delivers the services specified and laid out in the Charity's Articles and Memorandum of Association. The Secretary has day to day responsibility for the supervision of all regional Co-Ordinators and to ensure that they are aware of the most current guidelines and that everyone is working to them. It is also the Secretary's responsibility to ensure that the team continue to develop their skills and working practices in line with the Management Committee's current 'Guidelines'.

Related Parties

In so far as is complimentary to the charity's objects, the charity is guided by both local and national policy pertaining to the welfare of animals. Some members of the Committee are also members of relevant breed organisations and also professional bodies pertaining to their particular role within the Charity. The charity also subscribes (freely and without payment) to the Kennel Club's Rescue Directory, which is published annually.

Objectives and Activities

The company's objects and principal activities are to:

- benefit the public by relieving the suffering of West Highland White Terriers (and other breeds at the discretion of the directors) which are in need of care and attention and
- in particular to provide and maintain rescue homes or other facilities for the reception, care and treatment of the said animals.

Charity Activity

Below are the statistics for dog movement throughout 2020:

Accepted in 2020: 21

Adopted in 2020: 18

Still in foster care to 31/12/2020: 0

Long Term Foster Care (LTF) to 31/12/2020: 22

Life Time Care (LTC) to 31/12/2020: 18

Long Term Foster Care - These are dogs which are unlikely to be adopted due to chronic health or behavioural problems or long term treatment.

These dogs are deemed to be "Not available for adoption" and will remain with their foster carer likely for their life time.

Life Time Care - These dogs have been adopted with known veterinary or behavioural issues that The Westie Rescue Scheme will continue to pay the dogs veterinary and or behavioural care but only for the condition(s) known at the time of adoption. The new owner is responsible for all other care costs.

The adoption of these dogs is entered into with the new owner's full knowledge and understanding of the health and or behavioural of the dog concerned.

A legally binding agreement is completed and signed by the new owner and The Westie Rescue Scheme.

Financial Review

Total income for 2020 decreased to £19,295, which, given the Charity had to effectively close down at the beginning of the year, is not surprising. Despite the Charity being unable to operate, efforts were still made to raise as much money as possible in order to keep the Charity fluid, during the pandemic.

Thanks to prior years' efforts to reduce costs, the Charity still managed to control costs, despite having to hold sick dogs within the Scheme. Being unable to rehome dogs during the pandemic had a negative effect on veterinary costs, but on the whole, expenses still remained under control and at much lower levels than we have seen in prior years.

Overall the Charity reported a £25,217 deficit for the year, resulting in net reserves decreasing to £619,321

Principal Funding Sources

As has been reported in prior years, the principal sources of funding come from generous donations; be they general donations from the public or through bequests and legacies. Aside from legacies, there continued to be a good amount of donations from the public and continued support from all the Friends of the charity.

Principal Expenditure

The trustees regularly review the financials of the Charity and ensure all costs are as streamlined as possible. It is the charity's endeavour to keep the proportion of expenditure on the dogs above 80% of all expenditure. In 2020, the Charity fell short of the target by just 4.6% at 75.4%.

Reserves Policy

Bank Reserves stood at £619K in 2020, a 25K decrease on 2019.

Thanks to a very large bequest left some time ago, the Trustees established the Linda Stafford Memorial Reserves Fund. The aim of this fund is to identify the reserves required to support all Westies that are in Life Time Care up until the end of their life. This has been calculated based on the average cost of each dog per year in life time care.

As a result, the Trustees reported the Linda Stafford Reserves as £109,482 in 2020, with other Charity Reserves standing at £509,839. This represented £49,231 for LTF dogs and £60,251 for LTC dogs

Responsibilities of the Management Committee

Company law requires the Management Committee to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure for the financial year. In preparing those financial statements, the Management Committee should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the company will continue on that basis.

The Management Committee is responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The Management Committee is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Members of the Management Committee

Members of the Management Committee, who are directors for the purpose of company law and trustees for the purpose of charity law, who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out on page 3.

Simon Yeomans

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Director

19th June 2021

Approved by the Board of Directors 19th June 2021

Registered Number:05165270

England and Wales

The Westie Rescue Scheme Limited

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For the year ended 31 December 2020

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The Westie Rescue Scheme Limited
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As at 31 December 2020

	£	2020 £	£	2019 £
Fixed assets		3,245		3,164
Current assets	617,744		642,788	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(1,669)		(1,415)	
Net current assets		616,075		641,373
Total assets less current liabilities		619,320		644,537
Net assets		619,320		644,537
Capital and reserves		619,320		644,537

Notes to the Accounts

Statutory Information

The Westie Rescue Scheme Limited is a private limited company, limited by guarantee, domiciled in England and Wales, registration number 05165270.

Registered address:

5 Georgina Court
Bolton
Lancashire
BL3 3RD

The presentation currency is £ sterling.

1. Average number of persons employed

During the year the average number of employees was 0

For the year ended 31 December 2020 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- a) ensuring that the company keeps proper accounting records which comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of each financial year and of its profit or loss for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Section 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the micro-entities provisions and delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

These financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board on 30 September 2021 and were signed by:

Simon J Yeomans
Director



Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/members of

Charity Name

THE WESTIE RESCUE SCHEME LIMITED.

On accounts for the year ended

31/12/20

Charity no (if any)

1107970

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

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 (other than that disclosed below*):

(1) 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;
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

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Chartered Certified Accountants
3 St Mary's Place
Bury
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Signed

David Stott

Date 30/9/2021

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems

Give here brief details of any items that the
examiner wishes to disclose