# **Second Chance Animal Rescue**

Trustees Annual Report and Annual Accounts For the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020

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## Second Chance Animal Rescue For the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020

## **Reference and Administrative Information**

**Charity Name:** 

Second Chance Animal Rescue

Also known as:

**SCAR** 

**Charity Registration Number:** 

1160126

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#### **Management Committee**

John Ranger

Chair

Susan Brady

**Charles Ranger** 

Kara Lee

Linda Burns

#### Trustees Report January 2020 - December 2020

The trustees are pleased to present their annual report for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020. The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, Companies Act 2006, Accounting and Reporting by Charities; Statement of Recommended Practice (Sorp 2015) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1"January 2015).

#### **Objectives of the Charity**

Second Chance Animal Rescue (CIO governed by Constitution) is a public benefit entity which aims to rescue, rehabilitate and rehome animals that have been abandoned, neglected or abused. We aim to relieve the suffering of animals in need by providing appropriate care, protection, treatment and security.

We are committed to raising awareness of animal welfare in general and the prevention of cruelty and suffering among animals through working with the public. We also support the therapeutic value of involvement with animals by encouraging volunteering, particularly for members of the community with physical and mental disabilities or who are socially isolated.

#### **Main Activities of the Charity**

To rescue, rehabilitate and rehome animals suffering from abuse or neglect. If animals cannot be rehomed they are provided a home at the rescue for the remainder of their natural lives.

To take part in external events such as fetes and school/uniform groups activities, to raise awareness of animal welfare to members of the public.

To provide volunteering opportunities to a diverse range of people, providing experience of working with animals and the opportunity to be part of the team.

#### **Achievements and Performance**

This year began with many plans to improve and expand our services with a renewed focus on diversifying our income and improving our processes in all areas. The Covid-19 pandemic had a significant impact on our plans for the year but in spite of many challenges it also provided opportunities for us to review, refocus and continue to develop.

We had hoped to continue to increase our events and fundraising which began positively for the year but ultimately came to an end upon announcement of the first lockdown in March 2020. As the wellbeing of our volunteers, animals and the communities we support is of utmost importance to us the Trustees took the decision to close the rescue to everybody else throughout the first lockdown. This posed a significant challenge as it left us with a skeleton staff but we are proud that we were able to continue rescuing animals in need and providing a high level of care to our resident animals.

Due to the reduced enquiries, events and rehoming visits this enabled us to focus on renovating areas of the rescue which were due for an upgrade earlier than anticipated. We

have been able to completely renovate our Cattery to provide a better experience for our cats and improve the maintenance and cleaning of enclosure as well as improving processes for our volunteer team. We are also incredibly proud that we have been able to renovate our Small Animal Barn enabling us to get our rabbits out of hutches and into larger runs. This has been an aspiration of ours for a number of years and the reduced foot traffic has finally made this possible.

We are continuing to focus on improving the environments for our animals and will be redeveloping our exotics area in the coming year to improve conditions and give us space to expand should we need it.

Although initially, like many other animal rescue organisations, we experienced increased requests to rehome animals and reduced demand to take animals in due to lockdown and homeworking this began to change towards the end of the year. We anticipate that the next year will be increasingly busy with requests to take in animals and are beginning to plan what will be needed to allow us to do as much as we can. This includes not only renovating and expanding our physical space but also thinking about improving and expanding our volunteer recruitment as well as developing new fundraising streams.

This year we have been supported by a number of organisations who have made it possible to continue our work. We have once again been Charity of the Year for our local Pets At Home store, which has not only donated to our work financially but also provided much needed food and supplies. We are incredibly grateful to all of their teams for this support and look forward to continuing to work with them next year. We would also like to thank Petts Woodstock, Charities Aid Foundation, Petplan Trust, Greenhall Foundation and Asda for their generous donations which helped us to continue our work at such a difficult time.

Of course, we must also thank all our individual supporters who have continued to be unwavering in their support for us throughout the year. Even the smallest individual donation has made a significant impact in our ability to continue rescuing as many animals as we have, and we are incredibly grateful to everybody who supports us in such a range of ways.

Finally, we would like to thank our wonderful team of dedicated volunteers. Without them we would not be able to rescue and rehabilitate so many animals or support people who find themselves in such difficult positions. The Trustees are truly grateful to every volunteer who dedicates their time to improving the lives of animals and local people.

Over the coming year we will focus on rebuilding from the pandemic and trying to respond flexibly to the needs as they arise. It is difficult to predict what the future holds but we anticipate a rising demand as people return to work or the effects of the pandemic are felt, a reduction in income due to the pandemic and the need to review and adjust our processes. We will continue to work to improve the experiences of animals and offer support to our local community through these difficult times.

#### Governance

New trustees are appointed through either an application process or through invitation to join the board based on skills and experience. They are inducted through a buddying system with existing trustees. The charity is run solely by volunteers and employs no paid staff. At present the trustees are responsible for decisions and day to day management.

The trustees are confident that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the commission's public benefit guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant.

John Ranger

Chairman on behalf of

**Board of Trustees** 

Second Chance Animal Rescue

## **Notes Forming Part of the Financial Statement**

#### **Financial Review**

In spite of significant challenges we saw an increase in our income this year predominantly thanks to the increased support of individual donors. Whilst our events income decreased due to the pandemic we worked to develop alternative ways to raise funds which we hope to continue doing in the coming year. We have continued to work on increasing our rehoming fees, which although affected by the pandemic, has shown an increase.

In total our grants and earned income were significantly impacted by the pandemic but due to the increase individual giving we have shown an overall increase in income.

Several areas of expenditure increased this year, such as hay and straw, veterinary costs and fuel of which most can be attributed rising prices due to the pandemic and the increased demand. Due to increased demand and rising costs due to the pandemic our expenditure also increased this year, but not at the rate of our income. This has meant that we have been able to slightly increase our reserves providing further financial security for the coming year which we anticipate to be equally as challenging.

#### **Accounting Policies**

The principal accounting policies are summarised below. The accounting policies have been applied consistently through the year and in the preceding year.

#### **Basis of accounting**

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and with the Charities Act 2011.

#### **Fund accounting**

- Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.
- Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the Trustees for particular purposes – the charity has no designated funds in this period.
- Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal – the charity has no designated funds in this period.

#### **Incoming resources**

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is entitled to, or virtually certain to receive, the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- Voluntary income is received by way of grants, donations and gifts and is included in full in the Financial Statements when receivable. Grants where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.
- Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included in these accounts.
- Any tax recoverable from Gift Aid income is reflected in the accounts in the year in which it is received.

#### Resources expended

- Expenditure is recognised on a cash basis.
- Costs of generating funds comprise the costs associated with attracting voluntary income.
- Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities. It includes costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.
- Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include the Independent Review fees linked to the strategic management of the charity.

#### Statement of Cash Flow

As Second Chance Animal Rescue is not considered a larger charity a Statement of Cash Flow is not required.

#### **Fixed assets**

Fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. The costs of minor additions or those costing below £100 are not capitalised. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of each asset over its expected useful life, which in all cases is estimated

at 4 years. Impairment reviews are carried out as and when evidence comes to light that the recoverable amount of a functional asset is below its net book value due to damage, obsolescence, or other relevant factors.

#### Reserves

Whilst the trustees had previously committed to trying to hold reserves of 3 months running costs in case of an emergency or a sudden change in our income, due to the pandemic which resulted in rising costs, rising demands but reduced income we have now revised our reserves policy. We will be seeking to maintain between 3 and 6 months reserves to enable us to adequately ensure the wellbeing of our animals in the event of the organisation being unable to continue.

# Second Chance Animal Rescue Income & Expenditure for the year ending 31st December 2020

	2020	2019
	£	£
REVENUE	132,704	119,068
Expenses	(115,221)	(108,568)
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NET INCOME BEFORE INTEREST	17,483	10,500
Interest Received & Other Income	6	14
NET INCOME BEFORE TAXATION	17,489	10,514
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Taxation	-	_
NET INCOME FOR THE PERIOD	17,489	10,514
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# Second Chance Animal Rescue Assets & Liabilities As at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020

	Notes	2020	2019
FIXED ASSETS		£	£
Land & Buildings	1	0	83
Tangible Assets	1	2,925	994
		2,925	1,077
CURRENT ASSETS		20.067	22.627
Cash at Bank and in Hand		39,867	23,627
Petty Cash		486	1,085
		40,353	24,712
CREDITORS – Amounts Falling Due Within One Year		0	0
NET CURRENT ASSETS / (LIABILITIES)		40,353	24,712
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITES		43,278	25,789
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILTIES		-	-
NET ASSETS			
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RESERVES Brought forward		25,789	15,275
Surplus		17,489	10,514
TOTAL RESERVES		43,278	25,789
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## **Notes to the Accounts**

## 1. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

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	Land &		
	Buildings	Equipment	Total
COST	£	£	£
COST	2.000	7.070	0.070
As at 31.12.19	2,000	7,070	9,070
Additions	0	3,900	3,900
Disposals	(0)	(0)	(0)
At 31.12.20	2,000	10,970	12,970
DEPRECIATION		<u> </u>	<u></u>
As at 31.12.19	1,917	6,076	7,993
Charge for Year	83	1,969	2,052
Disposals	(0)	(0)	(0)
At 31.12.20	2,000	8,045	10,045
NET BOOK VALUE	<u></u>		
At 31.12.20	0	2,925	2,925
At 31.12.19	83	994	1,077
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		Income	
		Account	
			Total
		£	£
As at 31.12.19		25,789	25,789
Net Income for period		17,489	17,489
As at 31.12.20		43,278	43,278
			15,270

# **Statement of Financial Activities**

		2020		2019
	£	£	£	£
REVENUE				
Voluntary Income	90,027		52,855	
Rehoming Donations	5,188		4,954	
Livery	8,301		6,755	
Donations from Trusts	21,601		25,100	
Earned Income	7,587		29,404	
Bank Interest Received	6		14	
TOTAL INCOME		132,710		119,082
EXPENDITURE				
Advertising/Marketing	-		261	
Animal Feed	8,814		7,126	
Bank/Donation Charges	896		427	
Hay & Straw	28,073		22,664	
Insurance	1,684		1,350	
Telephone	=		17	
Printing, Post & Stationary	471		229	
Motor Expenses	11,917		8,973	
IT costs	367		66	
Vet & Medical Expenses	4,106		2,237	
General Animal Expenses	3,995		651	
Fundraising Expenses	765		456	
Small Tools	1,109		62	
Sundry Expenses	862		164	
Depreciation	2,052		2,267	
Building Supplies/Maintenance	13,730		23,983	
Equipment Hire	340		12	
Rent	36,040		37,635	
Loss on disposal of assets				
		115,221		108,568
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NET SURPLUS		17,489		10,514
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The charity holds no designated or restricted funds in this accounting period

# Independent Examiner's Statement To the Trustees of Second Chance Animal Rescue Year ending 31st December 2020

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2020 set out on pages 7 to 13 which have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act). Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act and that an independent examination is needed. I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- follow the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- 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 material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that, in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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 a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Paul Barker, FCCA 154 Widmore Road Bromley, Kent

29/10/21

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Date: