



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## **Trustees' Annual Report for the period**

**From 1 APRIL 2022 To 31 MARCH 2023**

**Charity name: Barnsley & District Animal Welfare**

**Charity registration number: 1128029**

### **Objectives and Activities**

|   | SORP reference |  |
|---|----------------|--|
| Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document | Para 1.17      | <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. For the benefit of the public, to relieve the suffering of animals in need of care and attention and in particular, to provide and maintain rescue homes or other facilities for the care and treatment of such animals.</li><li>2. To promote humane behaviour towards animals by providing appropriate care, protection, treatment and security for animals which are in need of care or 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.</li></ol> |

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| 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 | <p>Our fundraising activities and donations from supporters (see next sections) have enabled us to carry out our main objectives ie. to rescue as many unwanted, mistreated and abandoned dogs as possible, give them veterinary treatment where necessary, microchip to prevent future strays, neuter and find them new forever homes.</p> <p>We have continued to offer to take in animals via the dog pounds and from members of the public who could no longer care for their pets. This year we have mainly taken on a number of ex-racing Greyhounds due for retirement from their trainers/owners. Our policy remains to take as many dogs as possible from risk of being put to sleep as we believe they deserve a chance of life. They were given a full vet check, vaccinated, scanned for microchips and if appropriate, given necessary medical treatment. All were either neutered or we provided a free neutering voucher. They were also cared for in kennels or by one of our fosterers until suitable homes could be found. Before rehoming, potential owners were usually subject to a home check to ensure premises were suitable and that gardens were properly fenced and gated. We had to work round this during the Covid-19 pandemic and in most instances vet reference checks were undertaken instead to ensure dogs were being rehomed to responsible owners and we also made use of Google Earth to check on premises. We have continued to adopt this policy as it has proved to be efficient and successful. Individuals were made aware of the commitment needed to care for the lifetime of a dog and assurances sought that dogs wouldn't be allowed to stray, that they wouldn't be left for extended periods without companionship, that booster vaccinations would be administered and that proper diet and exercise would be given.</p> |
| Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit   | Para 1.18          | Trustees have complied with the duty in section 4 of the Charities Act 2006 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Commission.   |
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#### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

|                        | SORP reference |  |
|------------------------|----------------|--|
| Policy on grant making | Para 1.38      |  |

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|--|-----------|---|
| Policy on social investment including program related investment | Para 1.38 |   |
| Contribution made by volunteers                                  | Para 1.38 | <p>We are indebted to our volunteers. They have helped us to raise funds, publicise the aims of our charity and helped to find new homes for our dogs. In particular we want to thank:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Karen King for once again doing a great job on our accounts.</li> <li>• Sandra Longbottom for helping out where possible, advertising our dogs and contributing monies raised from tombolas, car boot sales etc.</li> <li>• Netherlands kennels, also Churchfield vets for taking good care of our dogs.</li> <li>• Numerous regular contributors for their generous donations.</li> <li>• Numerous volunteer dog walkers who help exercise our dogs.</li> <li>• Keith Gill deserves a special mention for time devoted to walking our dogs, bringing scared ones out of their shell and for actively promoting &amp; supporting our cause.</li> <li>• New fundraisers Val, Julie, Sarah, Lindsey, Trish, Karen &amp; Janice who have been very active in promoting our cause, advertising dogs and holding regular fundraising events for us. Their help is very much welcomed.</li> </ul> |
| Other  |           |   |

## Achievements and Performance

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|  | SORP reference |  |
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| <p>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.</p> | <p>Para 1.20</p> | <p>Rehoming of dogs has continued to be exceptionally slow going in 2022/23. This is due to a number of factors - many people got pets during the pandemic and there is therefore less demand; working from home is less prevalent so people have less time to spend with a pet and the cost of living in particular is preventing people from committing to the extra expense of dog ownership. There has certainly been a sharp rise in vet costs and the price of pet food over the last year and we have noticed a marked increase in the number of calls we are getting asking us to take in dogs.</p> <p>We have continued to help with the rehoming of ex-racing Greyhounds via the retirement coordinator at a local Greyhound stadium. They are a lovely gentle breed, easy to look after and make great pets. Of the 24 dogs rehomed during the year, 18 were Greyhounds, however, this is considerably less than the number rehomed in previous years. We know that other rescues are in a similar position and as a consequence dogs are staying with us longer and available kennel space is at a premium.</p> <p>Our Facebook page has continued to flourish and is, in part, responsible for the number of dogs finding homes. Facebook attracts many visitors every week, we get photo's and regular updates on dogs that have been rehomed and is really popular with our supporters.</p> <p>We have teamed up with the Sighthound Social Club as their nominated charity and have received donations of cash, sardines and miscellaneous dog accessories from their supporters. We joined them for the Great Global Greyhound Walk in September and had a stall/tombola. It was a great success, around 300 dogs turned up with their owners and we look forward to repeating it in 2023. We took the opportunity to also do a joint fundraiser with the group in November last year and took two of our harder to rehome Greyhounds on their Valentines walk in February to promote the breed and to try and find them forever homes. Claire &amp; her mum Cath from the Greyt Yorkshire Walkers (another Sighthound group) are also promoting our cause having both adopted Greyhounds from us and have made regular contributions during the year.</p> |
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You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| Achievements against objectives set                          | Para 1.41 |  |
| Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set | Para 1.41 |  |
| Investment performance against objectives                    | Para 1.41 |  |
| Other  |           |  |

## Financial Review

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| Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period              | Para 1.21 | Financial position at the end of March 2023 remains healthy, mainly due to our fundraising activities, the substantial donations from our supporters and partnerships. Full details are contained in our published accounts for 2022/23.   |
| Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held   | Para 1.22 | Our aim was to build up our reserves to allow us at least a 3 month buffer to cover essential veterinary costs and kennel costs in case of illness etc. which would prevent us fundraising. Current expenditure is just over £2750 a month |
| Amount of reserves held  | Para 1.22 | £16,000 (minimum)  |
| Reasons for holding zero reserves  | Para 1.22 | Not applicable   |
| Details of fund materially in deficit  | Para 1.24 | None   |
| Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern | Para 1.23 | No uncertainties regarding the charity continuing as a going concern   |

**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)            | Para 1.47 | <p>Our fundraising venues finally opened their doors to us following the Coronavirus pandemic and we managed to do several events although we were thwarted by the very hot weather in July 2022 resulting in one of our principal gala's (including a popular dog show) being cancelled.</p> <p>We charge an adoption fee for our dogs but taking account of vet and kennel costs etc, this is heavily subsidised. Kennel costs increased again this year and vet fees have gone up substantially. We are reluctant to put people off adopting by increasing our adoption fees but we will continue to keep this under close review going into the next financial year and we will continue to match intake of dogs with income to live within our means. By taking in retired Greyhounds we were able to get some financial help from the owners which went towards some of the costs of rehoming. The Greyhound Board of Great Britain have also provided backing via the Greyhound Retirement Scheme which is very much appreciated.</p> <p>Staff at Wilkinson's store in Wombwell have arranged collections of pet food, treats and knitted blankets on our behalf. The donations have been put to very good use for our dogs and we extend sincere thanks to all the staff and customers for their support. Thanks also go to Greenside Podiatry &amp; New Lodge Post Office for filling collection boxes on a regular basis.</p> <p>We also received donations from our Trustees and regular contributions from numerous individuals. Our grateful thanks go to them. A special mention goes to Mark (supported by Tania) who did a sponsored ultra marathon last May, raising around £900 for us.</p> <p>We received substantial donations during the year from the Pets at Home Foundation and would like to thank all the staff for their continued support and generosity. They donated monies raised during the Santa Paws fundraiser (Give a pet a Christmas dinner) at our partnered stores in Rotherham and Cortonwood. We have also partnered with the Barnsley store in 2023 and look forward to jointly fundraising with them.</p> |
| Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted | Para 1.46 |  |
| A description of the principal risks facing the charity                         | Para 1.46 |  |

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| Other |  |  |
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## Structure, Governance and Management

|   |           |                                |
|---|-----------|--------------------------------|
| Description of charity's trusts:  |           |                                |
| Type of governing document<br>(trust deed, royal charter)   | Para 1.25 | Constitution                   |
| How is the charity constituted?<br>(e.g unincorporated association, CIO)  | Para 1.25 | Trust                          |
| 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 | Appointed by existing Trustees |

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees                | Para 1.51 |  |
| The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works | Para 1.51 |  |
| Relationship with any related parties   | Para 1.51 |  |

## Reference and Administrative details

|                             |  |
|-----------------------------|--|
| Charity name                | Barnsley and District Animal Welfare                                       |
| Other name the charity uses | None   |
| Registered charity number   | 1128029  |
| Charity's principal address | 177B Barugh Lane<br>Barugh Green<br>Barnsley<br>South Yorkshire<br>S75 1LJ |

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### 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 | Margaret Burgess | Chairman        |                                   |   |
| 2 | Ann Taylor       | Secretary       |                                   |   |
| 3 | Stephen Simpson  | Treasurer       |                                   |   |
| 4 |                  |                 |                                   |   |

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 |      |
| Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets                         |      |

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

| Type of adviser | Name | Address |
|-----------------|------|---------|
|                 |      |         |

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

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### Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Not applicable

### Other optional information

### Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

*a Taylor* . *S Simpson*

Full name(s)

ANN TAYLOR

STEPHEN SIMPSON

Position (eg  
Secretary, Chair, etc)

Secretary

Treasurer

Date

1st April 2023

**BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ANIMAL WELFARE**  
**ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

**BARNSELEY AND DISTRICT ANIMAL WELFARE**

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**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

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**BARNSELEY AND DISTRICT ANIMAL WELFARE**

**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

|   | Unrestricted funds<br>2023 |                      | Unrestricted funds<br>2022 |                      |
|---|----------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|
|   | £                          | £                    | £                          | £                    |
| <b>RECEIPTS:</b>                            |                            |                      |                            |                      |
| Rehomed dog donations                       |                            | 4,122                |                            | 7,967                |
| Events income                               |                            | 3,024                |                            | 767                  |
| Other donations (net of bonds paid to GBGB) |                            | 25,205               |                            | 27,967               |
| Other income                                |                            | 38                   |                            | 0                    |
| Bank interest                               |                            | 458                  |                            | 378                  |
| <b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>                       |                            | <u>32,847</u>        |                            | <u>37,079</u>        |
| LESS:                                       |                            |                      |                            |                      |
| <b>PAYMENTS:</b>                            |                            |                      |                            |                      |
| Kennel fees & food                          | 21,992                     |                      | 30,467                     |                      |
| Veterinary fees                             | 6,479                      |                      | 11,975                     |                      |
| Dog training & walking                      | 0                          |                      | 1,215                      |                      |
| Event fees & goods for resale               | 341                        |                      | 110                        |                      |
| Insurances                                  | 520                        |                      | 526                        |                      |
| Website & advertising                       | 69                         |                      | 19                         |                      |
| Motor expenses                              | 1,057                      |                      | 889                        |                      |
| Post & stationery                           | 56                         |                      | 176                        |                      |
| Bank charges                                | 93                         |                      | 104                        |                      |
| <b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>                       |                            | 30,607               |                            | 45,481               |
| <b>NET RECEIPTS/(PAYMENTS)</b>              |                            | <u>2,240</u>         |                            | <u>(8,402)</u>       |
| ADD:  |                            |                      |                            |                      |
| <b>OPENING BANK AND CASH BALANCES</b>       |                            | 59,029               |                            | 67,431               |
| <b>CLOSING BANK AND CASH BALANCES</b>       |                            | <u><u>61,269</u></u> |                            | <u><u>59,029</u></u> |

**BARNSELEY AND DISTRICT ANIMAL WELFARE**

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

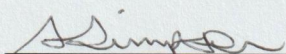
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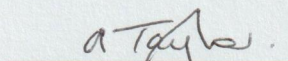
|                           | Unrestricted funds<br>2023 |                      | Unrestricted funds<br>2022 |                      |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|
|                           | £                          | £                    | £                          | £                    |
| <b>FIXED ASSETS</b>       |                            |                      |                            |                      |
| Motor vehicle             |                            | 8,508                |                            | 8,508                |
| <b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>     |                            |                      |                            |                      |
| Bank account              | 20,168                     |                      | 18,386                     |                      |
| Savings account           | 41,101                     |                      | 40,643                     |                      |
| Cash in hand              | <u>0</u>                   |                      | <u>0</u>                   |                      |
| <b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b> |                            | 61,269               |                            | 59,029               |
| <b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>       |                            | <u><u>69,777</u></u> |                            | <u><u>67,537</u></u> |
| <b>FINANCED BY:</b>       |                            |                      |                            |                      |
| <b>RESERVES:</b>          |                            |                      |                            |                      |
| OPENING BALANCE           |                            | 67,537               |                            | 75,939               |
| NET PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR |                            | 2,240                |                            | (8,402)              |
| <b>CLOSING BALANCE</b>    |                            | <u><u>69,777</u></u> |                            | <u><u>67,537</u></u> |

Approved by the Trustees on:

6/9/2023

Signed

  
STEPHEN SIMPSON

  
ANN TAYLOR

# **BARNSELEY AND DISTRICT ANIMAL WELFARE**

## **NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

#### **1. CHARITY REGISTRATION**

The Welfare became registered as a Charity on 20 November 2008 with registration number 1128029.

The Trustees are:

S Simpson  
Miss A Taylor  
Mrs M Burgess

#### **2. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF THE ACCOUNTS**

The accounts have been prepared in compliance with the Charities Act 2011 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting for Charities. The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

#### **3. DONATIONS FROM TRUSTEES**

During the year the following donations have been received from the trustees:

|           | 2023   | 2022   |
|-----------|--------|--------|
| S Simpson | £1,600 | £1,815 |
| A Taylor  | £1,650 | £2,400 |
| M Burgess | £0     | £0     |

# **BARNSELEY AND DISTRICT ANIMAL WELFARE**

## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**

### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2023, which are set out on pages 1 to 3.

#### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act"). The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Act and that an independent examination is needed.

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

#### **Basis of independent examiner's report**

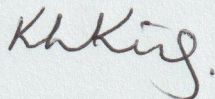
My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures 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**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with Section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records.

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



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Date: 6/9/2023