

CHARITY NUMBER: 1147353

HUNGARIAN VIZSLA WELFARE CHARITY

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE PERIOD 21 MAY 2022 TO 31 MAY 2023

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

TO THE TRUSTEES OF HUNGARIAN VIZSLA WELFARE CHARITY – REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 1147353

I report on the Accounts of the Charity for the period ended 31 May 2023 which are set out on the attached pages.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES AND INDEPENDENT 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(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the 2011 Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS' REPORT


My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 the seeking of explanations from you as 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 EXAMINERS' STATEMENT

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with s130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Acthave 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.

14 March 2024
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M N Jenks
Director in M N Jenks & Co. Limited
Chartered Accountants

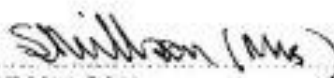
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTSFOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MAY 2023

	<u>Period</u> <u>21.05.2022</u> <u>to</u> <u>31.05.2023</u> <u>£</u>	<u>Year End</u> <u>20.05.2022</u> <u>£</u>
<u>RECEIPTS</u>		
Adoption Donations	21,396	21,565
Surrender Donations	1,290	
Monthly Donations	3,745	
Single Donations	28,624	
Just Giving Donations	4,586	
Amazon / Easy Fundraising	921	508
Auctions and PayPal Income	14,722	750
Legacy	-	500
Pet Plan Commission	971	671
Gift Aid	11,250	100
Miscellaneous Income	1,373	-
	<u>88,878</u>	<u>24,094</u>
<u>PAYMENTS</u>		
<u>Cost of Charitable Activities</u>		
Vet Bills	29,223	7,585
Fostering	10,898	4,310
Boarding and Assessment	14,684	720
Rehabilitation and Training	4,051	6,090
Insurance	1,132	1,129
Printing, Postage and Stationery	265	207
Sundry Expenses	1,226	156
Bank Charges	77	39
Legal Fees	60	765
Transport	1,209	2,265
Website Expenses	93	-
Donation for Vet Fees	1,300	-
	<u>64,218</u>	<u>23,266</u>
<u>GOVERNANCE COSTS</u>		
Independent Examiner Fees	-	150
<u>Total Payments</u>	<u>64,218</u>	<u>23,416</u>
<u>NET SURPLUS FOR THE PERIOD</u>	<u>24,660</u>	<u>678</u>
<u>CASH AND BANK BALANCES AT 20.05.2022</u>	<u>43,699</u>	<u>43,021</u>
<u>CASH AND BANK BALANCES AT 31.05.2023</u>	<u>£ 68,359</u>	<u>£ 43,699</u>

HUNGARIAN VIZSLA WELFARE CHARITY
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT 31 MAY 2023

CHARITY NUMBER: 1147353

	<u>31.05.2023</u>	<u>20.05.2022</u>
	£	£
<u>MONETARY ASSETS</u>		
Bank Current Account Balance	68,359	43,699
	<small>68,359.00</small>	<small>43,699.00</small>
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>		
Gift Aid Debtor	£ -	£ -
	<small>0.00</small>	<small>0.00</small>
<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>		
<u>Creditors</u>		
Independent Examiner Fees (£500 + VAT)	£ 600	£ 280
	<small>600.00</small>	<small>280.00</small>


 SUE MILLSON
 TRUSTEE

Statements were approved on 14 March 2024



Hungarian Vizsla Welfare Charity

Helping vizslas enjoy a better life



Registered Charity No 1147353

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15th March 2024

Hungarian Vizsla Welfare Charity - Trustees Annual Report 2022-23

Charity Personnel

Trustees

Susan Millson - Charity Chair/Secretary & Welfare Officer

Claire Aldridge - Committee Chair

Noanie Heffron - Treasurer/Web Administrator

Sue Aldous - Newly Appointed Trustee in 2023, after serving as an exceptional Welfare Officer for several years. Special responsibilities for our Facebook pages, as well as continuing to be a Welfare Officer.

Welfare Officers

All as above, plus:

Karen Foster - also responsible for updating our database as changes happen

John Duncan - special responsibility for microchip reassignment to new owners' names

Shelley Owens - newly appointed in 2023 - experienced professional dog handler

Elaine Entwistle - newly appointed in 2023 - experienced professional dog handler

Regardless of where our Welfare Officers live, we cover the whole of the UK, wherever there is a need - if the welfare officer nearest to a new rehoming request is already busy, the case is picked up by whomever is free.

Fundraising Team

Kim Dixon

Barb Short

Volunteers & Foster Homes

We have an amazing number of fosterers and other volunteers who are ready to help us whenever we contact them, and in some cases, will travel a large distance to either deliver a dog to its new home or pick up a dog from its old family. However we are always looking to recruit additional experienced foster carers to help us with those Vizslas who still have rough edges needing to be smoothed off.



Aims and Objectives

Rehoming

Our main aim, as always, is to focus on the rehoming of Vizslas who for a multitude of reasons cannot stay with their owners. We also remain committed to supporting families who are not wanting to rehome their Vizsla but do not yet have sufficient knowledge/experience to resolve the dog's behaviour issues themselves.

Education

This also remains one of our priorities and our Facebook Page and Group are both good resources to help us reach our regular followers, as well as brand new Vizsla owners, and disseminate useful information.

Health

We continue to support the research into autoimmune illnesses in the breed, which is still being led by Di Addicott at the Vizsla Health Trust. If any of our adopted dogs present with any of the illnesses, we ask owners to contact her, so records can be started and relevant DNA collection can be carried out. Medical records are collected from the dog's vet so they have input and all information can be verified. Also if any members of the public contact us with health issues that sound to be autoimmune then again we encourage them to contact Di Addicott. At present Cambridge Veterinary University holds all the DNA swabs that have been collected over the years, along with the dogs' veterinary documentation, and the breed is very lucky to have that facility along with the dedicated work of Di Addicott and the Vizsla Health Trust.

Charity Activities 2022-23

Rehoming

2022-23 saw yet another increase in the number of requests made to us and the number of dogs rehomed.

121 requests were made for rehoming. Of those, 62 were surrendered to us, and 3 of these were assessed as dangerously aggressive and were humanely euthanised. This course of action is only ever done as a last resort, after extensive behavioural assessment and attempts to retrain and rehabilitate.

Of the 59 dogs we rehomed, 27 required extensive input - either behavioural assessment and modification, extended time in foster, or with trainers as mentioned above. Total behavioural modification and training costs for the year were £19,000+. Fostering expenses for the year were £10,000+.

Several more dogs, all under 3 years old, required very expensive specialist veterinary care to enable them to lead a healthy and pain free life. Total vet bills for the year were £29,000+.

We have an exceptional behaviourist in Jess Probst BSc CFBA of Dundee Dog Training. She and her team will take on our behaviourally problematic/aggressive dogs and carry out extensive assessment and behavioural modification work. We also have proven trainers spread around the entire country that we can call on if we feel a young dog has simply not been given any boundaries and therefore their owner is able to be supported to keep the dog rather than feel the need to avail themselves of our rehoming services.



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Fundraising

On line auctions and other in-house fundraising activities raised approx. £6060. A sponsored West Highland Way hike by a team of our supporters raised just over £3,500. A pay-to-join online behavioural seminar run by Jess Probst BSc CFBA of Dundee Dog Training raised a further £1,500. Hopefully there will be more of these online educational fundraisers in 2024.

There are numerous Viz Whizz groups that meet up all around the country - sometimes up to 30 Vizslas all playing happily off lead together, which shows the temperament this breed should have. After all going for a walk with their dogs they often hold a collection for us.

Finances

End-of year Balance

Despite high outgoings, we finished our financial year 2022-23 with a healthy balance of £69,831, which was a large increase on our 2021-22 figure of £43,700.

Reserves

As a charity, we want to spend money on our aims. At the same time, we need to ensure financial security as well as the ability to cover sudden large expenses. We understand that if our reserves are too low, our future may be put at risk, but if our reserves are too high, funders and donors may be unwilling to support us. Our higher than anticipated end of year balance was due to an unexpected and very sizeable donation rather than any reluctance on our part to spend money on our stated aims. Our full Reserves Policy can be found on our website.

Assets

No assets are held by the Charity at this time.

In Summary

2023-24 looks to be gearing up yet again for another busy year, but with our generous donors, volunteers, foster carers and the behaviourists and trainers we have worked hard to build solid working relationships with, I know Vizsla Welfare will be there to answer each and every emergency call as and when it comes in.

Kind Regards
Sue Millson (Mrs)
Chair