# ADOPT A FURRY FRIEND TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the period 20 December 2017 to 31 March 2019



# Registered Charity no. 1176390

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## **Report of the Trustees**

## Introduction

Adopt a Furry Friend began its activities as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation on 20 December 2017. The Trustees present this, the organisation's first, report and financial statements for the period 20 December 2017 to 31 March 2019.

The financial statements are prepared as receipts and payments accounts, in accordance with section 133 of the Charities Act 2011.

#### Our purposes and activities

The charitable purposes of Adopt a Furry Friends are:

- For the benefit of the public to relieve the suffering of animals on the island of Koh Phangan, Thailand in need of care and attention, and in particular to provide rescue homes or other facilities for the reception, care and treatment of such animals.
- To promote humane behaviour towards animals on the island of Koh Phangan, Thailand by providing
  appropriate care, protection, treatment and security for animals 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 animal welfare in general and the prevention of cruelty and suffering
  among animals.

#### **Public benefit**

The Trustees have reviewed the activity plans of Adopt a Furry Friend, and confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit in doing so.

The Trustees have monitored the progress made by the organisation in meeting its charitable purposes and confirm that all the activities of the charity, described in the present report, were undertaken in pursuit of these purposes.

## **Fundraising practice**

Adopt a Furry Friend's fundraising activities were undertaken by the organisation's volunteers. Specifically, the organisation did not contract any commercial participators or professional fundraisers to solicit donations on its behalf.

#### **Contributions of volunteers**

The operation of Adopt a Furry Friend is undertaken entirely by volunteers, to whom we offer our sincere thanks.

We also offer our gratitude to the many people that support our work by offering temporary foster homes to the puppies under our care. This allows us valuable time during which we can conduct our local outreach efforts and find the puppies permanent homes.

#### **Achievements**

During this period we were delighted to rehome 170 dogs and 30 cats, supported through our system which records and monitors animal numbers. A significant number of street dogs now have owners, and enjoy improved health and a better quality of life.

Cases of animal poisoning continue to occur in the island of Koh Phangan, as individuals attempt to reduce the number of the roaming dogs themselves. This is despite clear legislation for the welfare of animals (The "Prevention of Cruelty and Animal Welfare Provision Act"), which has been in place in Thailand since 2014.

By promoting education in our community, Adopt a Furry Friend helps people to understand the humane and legal way to control the overpopulation of roaming animals. We encourage locals to contact us when they find a pregnant animal or a litter of puppies near their homes. We then step in to spay and neuter the animals and coordinate the adoption of those puppies.

We regularly run a stall at the local Saturday market, where we conduct this community outreach work. At the same time, we use our stall to promote and coordinate animal adoptions, building a better life for the animals who enter our care. Many people have told us how grateful they are for the opportunity to adopt a healthy animal, already vaccinated and neutered.

Thailand is considered a high risk rabies country and rabies is a very dangerous disease also affecting the human population. Adopt A Furry Friend gives its contribution in sustaining the herd immunity by vaccinating against rabies whenever possible. The vaccination against rabies is given to all puppies and kitten if at least of the age of 3 months and to all adult dogs and cats that are neutered at the day of the surgery.

Alongside these projects, we are working together with another local organisation that helps stray dogs by providing them medical assistance. Our role is to prevent healthy puppies from being introduced into the local veterinary clinic, where they can get easily sick. Instead, we organise foster homes for the puppies, so that they have a safe environment in which to live until we can find them a new family.

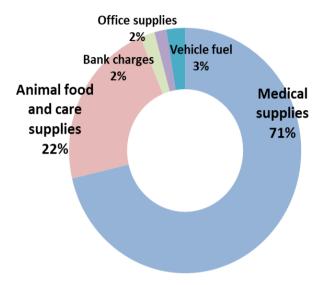
## Financial review of the period

During this, the organisation's first, reporting period since its registration, Adopt a Furry Friend was delighted to receive donations totalling £4,881. We offer our sincere thanks to the generous individuals who contributed to our cause.

Adopt a Furry Friend works hard to ensure that the highest possible proportion of our donations goes directly towards helping the animals who come into our care. Our activities are delivered entirely by volunteers. We work without a dedicated office premises. Because of this, we have no fundraising or governance costs. All expenditure relates directly to charitable activities.

The chart on the right shows the breakdown of our spending during this reporting period.

With careful management of our funds, our total costs for the period totalled £2,835. The remaining £2,046 will ensure we can deliver continuity of service and provide ongoing support to the animals under our care (see Reserves Policy, below).



Above: Analysis of charitable expenditure (see Statement of payments and receipts)

## **Reserves policy**

Adopt a Furry Friend aims to hold a free reserves balance (that is, unrestricted reserves not invested in fixed assets or designated for specific purposes) at a level which can finance a target range of six to twelve months' full operational costs. This is intended to provide a buffer which will ensure the smooth running of our activities in the event that we receive fewer donations.

At 31 March 2019, Adopt a Furry Friend held £2,046 free unrestricted reserves, the equivalent of just under 12 months' operational costs.

## **Going concern**

The trustees review the unrestricted reserves balance and the current financial records at each board meeting, and consider that Adopt a Furry Friend is a going concern.

#### Reference and administrative details

Legal status: Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Charity Number: 1176390

Registered office: 16 Gordon Road, St. Pauls, Bristol, BS2 9RN

**Trustees** 

The Trustees serving were as follows: Jennifer Billington (appointed 20 December 2017)

Luca Ciuffreda (appointed 20 December 2017) Ross Davidson (appointed 20 December 2017)

Key management personnel: Jennifer Billington (Trustee)

Luca Ciuffreda (Trustee)

#### Structure, governance and management

Adopt a Furry Friend is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, registered with the Charity Commission. It is governed by its Constitution.

## **Appointment of Trustees**

As set out in the Constitution, Trustees are appointed for a term of 2 years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees.

In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of Adopt a Furry Friend.

## Trustee induction and training

New Trustees are provided with an induction package, including:

- A copy of the current version of the Constitution; and
- A copy of the organisation's latest Trustees' Annual Report and statement of accounts.

Upon joining Trustees receive induction briefings from the other Board members.

## Organisation

The Board of Trustees, which has 3 members, administers the organisation. Any Trustee may call a meeting of the Trustees. Subject to that, the Trustees shall decide how their meetings are to be called, and what notice is required.

#### Related parties and co-operation with other organisations

None of our Trustees received remuneration or other benefit from their work with Adopt a Furry Friend.

Any connection between a Trustee of Adopt a Furry Friend with an individual, company or organisation with which Adopt a Furry Friend is conducting a relationship in the course of its activities must be disclosed to the full board of Trustees.

Adopt a Furry Friends regularly coordinates with another local no profit organisation, PACS, (Phangan Animal Care for Strays), a nursing hospital that provides medical treatment to stray dogs and cats in the island of Koh Phangan, Thailand. During the reporting period Luca Ciuffreda, one of the Trustees of Adopt a Furry Friend, was employed by PACS. Occasionally, the costs of medicines have been shared between the organizations, to maximize efficiency.

In the reporting period, PACS refunded medicines to the value of £485 from stock held by Adopt a Furry Friend. This transaction was conducted at market value.

# **Statement of receipts and payments**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
RECEIPTS	Funds £	Funds £	Funds £
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Donations	4,881	-	4,881
TOTAL RECEIPTS	4,881	-	4,881
PAYMENTS			
Costs of charitable activities:			
Medical supplies	2,023	-	2,023
Animal food and care supplies	635	-	635
Office supplies	57	-	57
Bank charges	47	-	47
Vehicle fuel	73	<u> </u>	73
TOTAL PAYMENTS	2,835	<u> </u>	2,835
Net of receipts	2,046	<u> </u>	2,046
Opening cash funds balance at 20 December 2017	-	-	-
Total cash funds carried forward at 31 Mar 2019	2,046	<u> </u>	2,046

# ADOPT A FURRY FRIEND STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

# Statement of assets and liabilities at 31 March 2019

Cash funds
Cash at bank and in hand
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Total net assets 2,286

The financial statements were approved and authorized for issue by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Luca Ciuffreda

On behalf of the trustees

Date 15/10/2019

The annexed notes form part of these statements.

# ADOPT A FURRY FRIEND NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the period 20 December 2017 to 31 March 2019

#### Notes to the financial statements

## **Accounting policies**

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

#### a) Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared as receipts and payments accounts in accordance with section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Charities Act').

#### b) Income

Income is recognised when it is received. The economic contribution of general volunteers is not recognised in the accounts.

#### c) Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any of the purposes of Adopt a Furry Friend.

## d) Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised when it is paid.

#### e) Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

#### f) Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rate of exchange ruling at the end of the accounting period.