

**Section E****Financial review**

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Cash in the bank at 31/12/19 was £1127.78 in unrestricted funds. The main financial risk to the charity is a loss, or reduction, of donations from the public. We endeavour to hold one month's operational costs in the event of a loss of income and to meet any unforeseen expenditure that may occur

Details of any funds materially in deficit

There is a loan for a car taken out on 04/12/19 for £1500, as the original csr was unable to be repaired and due to the nature of the rescue, we do require a working vehicle. This loan is to be paid back at £22.80 per month.

Further financial review details (optional information)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Our sources of funds this year has been from a grant (for building new ferret huosing), public donations and fundraising activities. We use the funds to neuter the ferrets, to ensure they do not contribute to an unwanted ferret population in the future. We also use the funds to treat whatever health conditions the ferrets may present with, so that we can return them to full health, so that we can find them a loving home. Funds are also used to purchase consumables, such as ferret food and bedding. We also provide a fuel allowance to the two managers, so that they can transport the ferrets to the veterinary surgery for treatment and neutering, or to fundraising and educational events, to promote appropriate ferret welfare and husbandry, adoption and volunteering opportunities..

**Section F****Other optional information**

Future plans

We plan to apply for more grants, so that we can purchase more gazebos. This is so that we can attend more events to educate the wider public on appropriate ferret care and welfare and to also be able to offer more volunteering opportunities.

**Section G****Declaration**

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

Donna Joy McCarthy

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chairperson

Date

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## Section C

## Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To promote humane behaviour towards animals, particularly ferrets, by providing the appropriate care, protection, treatment and security for ferrets, which are in need of care and attention by reason of sickness, maltreatment, poor circumstances or ill usage. We also educate the public on matters pertaining to ferret welfare and the prevention of cruelty and suffering among animals, particularly ferrets.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

In planning our activities for the year, the trustees kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit at our trustee meetings. The main activities are:  
- teaching the community appropriate ferret husbandry. This includes handling the animals, discussing their welfare and care and whether they would make appropriate pets.  
- volunteering opportunities. These would be either at the rescue, working with the animals alongside our managers, or at fundraising events.  
These benefit the public by developing their confidence, life skills and social skills. We welcome members of the public over the age of 16, regardless of gender, faith, background or personal circumstances.

Additional details of objectives and activities (optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

We are grateful to our volunteers, who have helped with fundraising at our summer fun day event and our Christmas fair, as well as general fundraising throughout the year. The volunteers helped with the preparation of the events, as well as independently running fundraising stalls for the rescue. Without their help, we would not have been able to achieve as much as we have, or to have attended so many events.

## Section D

## Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Since May 2019, we have managed to rehome 56 individual ferrets, having neutered 36 of these (the other 20 were already neutered). This has helped us to work towards our goal of reducing the number of homeless ferrets within our community. We were awarded a grant of £3,500 to build bespoke housing for the ferrets, as the original housing was leaking and in need of constant repairs. This means that we are now not having to use donations for repairs, which means that we have more money to help ferrets that require any medical treatment, neutering and also enrichment for them too. We were chosen as 'Charity of the Year' for the Nuneaton Pets at Home store. This meant that we have been able to go into the store and educate their customers, and the general public on ferret welfare. We have also been able to discuss adoption of ferrets with the public and also the volunteering opportunities that we have to offer. We have also been helping to develop the staff knowledge of ferret care.

We have been able to hold two of our own fundraising and education events (compared to just one event last year) as well as attending various other organisations' events and open days. This means that we have been able to reach more members of the community, to educate them on appropriate ferret care and welfare. It also meant that we have been able to talk to more people about the fundraising opportunities that we can offer.

**Section A****Reference and administration details (continued)****Names and addresses of advisers (optional information)**

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

Peter Phillips and Tracy Phillips

**Section B****Structure, governance and management****Description of the charity's trusts**

Type of governing document  
(eg trust deed, constitution)

Constitution

How the charity is constituted  
(eg trust, association, company)

Foundation

Trustee selection methods  
(eg appointed by, elected by)

Appointed by trustees

**Additional governance issues (optional information)**

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
  - relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Before trustees are appointed, they meet with the chairperson, who will go through our governing document with the potential trustee, along with the most recent accounts. Once trustees are appointed, they are assigned an appropriate role within the rescue, depending upon their previous experience and interests. If they require any training within this area, we find the most appropriate courses for them to attend. The rescue currently has three trustees, who oversee the structural and organisational side of the rescue. We then have the two managers, who are concerned with the day-to-day running of the rescue. All members of the team are involved in fundraising activities.



# Trustees' Annual Report

for the period

From (start date)       to (end date)

## Section A

## Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names the charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address   
  
  
 Postcode

### 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	Donna Joy McCarthy	Chairperson		
2	Rebecca Wilson			
3	Kate Tomlinson			
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### Names of the trustees for the charity, if any (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year



Charity name

Charity number (if any)

For the period from (start date)

to (end date)

## Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations	1190			1190	
Fundraising activities	9315			9315	
Grants		3500		3500	
Car repairs refund	389			389	
<i>Sub total</i>	10894			14394	
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, etc</b>					
		1200		1200	
<i>Total receipts</i>	10894	4700		15954	
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Veterinary fees	2817			2817	
Travel expenses, including diesel	1732			1732	
Fundraising expenses	2669			2669	
Repairs to original ferret housing	418			418	
Consumables (food, bedding, etc)	602			602	
Postage	141			141	
New ferret housing	3337			3337	
Car purchase	965			965	
Public Liability Insurance	183			183	
Mobile phone replacements	305			305	
<i>Sub total</i>	13169			13169	
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, etc</b>					
<i>Total payments</i>	13169			13169	
<i>Net of receipts/(payments)</i>	1225			1225	
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>					
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>					
	29			29	
<i>Cash funds this year end</i>	1254			1254	

**Section B**

**Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period**

Details		Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Bank account	1254		
	<i>Total cash funds (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))</i>	1 2 5 4		


Details		Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>				

Details		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>				

Details		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Car	Unrestricted	1200	1200
	Crafting equipment	Unrestricted	279	279
	Animal enclosures	Restricted	3337	3000

Details		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Car loan	Unrestricted	1 2 0 0	2 years

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print name	Date of approval
	Donna McCarthy	15/01/20