## PHOENIX FRENCH BULLDOG RESCUE (REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER : 1171943)

# TRUSTEES' REPORT AND UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

# **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019**

The committee present their report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2019.

### **Charity number**

1171943

### **Principal address**

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### Trustees

Stephen A Cargill Teresa L Cargill Kimberleigh L Malyan

### Independent examiner

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## **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019**

#### STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Phoenix French Bulldog Rescue, also known as Phoenix FBR, registered charity no 1171943, operates in England, Scotland and Wales to assist in the rescue, rehabilitation and rehoming of French Bulldogs in need or at risk. The year 2018/2019 is our second year of accounting since the award of charity status in March 2017. Trustees for this period are unchanged as follows:

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#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

The aims and objectives of the charity is to offer a home to any Frenchie (or crossbreeds thereof) in need, but also to educate the public on this wonderful breed, promote good ownership and to help keep Frenchies at home with their families wherever possible.

#### **RISK ASSESSMENT**

The Committee has identified that it is exposed to normal risks, and in doing so has established control systems, which comply with the requirements of current legislation in order to manage those risks.

#### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Income for the year totalled 128,219 (2018:  $\pm$ 76,511) with expenditure of  $\pm$ 141,143 (2018:  $\pm$ 76,241) resulting in a deficit for the year of  $\pm$ 12,924 (2018:  $\pm$ 270 surplus).

## **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019**

### **REVIEW OF THE YEAR**

During 2018/2019 Phoenix FBR continued to attend events to raise both funds and profile, and the number of dogs being surrendered into the care of the charity continued to rise steeply. Numbers of followers through social media continues to rise as do the numbers of those wishing to foster/adopt. Continued promotion and advertising for foster/adoptive families continues to be a necessity in order to rehome the dogs coming to us with varied medical and behavioural needs. Behavioural issues are presenting more frequently and the Management Team regularly discuss each dog to determine if rehabilitation is possible. Phoenix FBR is beginning to refuse dogs on behavioural grounds and this change to the breed is of concern. Annual figures on all dogs coming to Phoenix FBR are reported to French Bulldog Club of England (FBCE) to which Phoenix has member representation, and who coordinate all health testing for the breed, which Phoenix FBR openly promotes.

In 2018/2019 Phoenix FBR was active in the rescue of 315 French Bulldogs – an alarming increase on the 117 for 2017. Advice and support were given to enable other dogs to remain in their homes. Relationships have been built with other major dog rescue organisations, including regional RSPCA centres, that take all dog breeds, and Phoenix FBR takes French Bulldogs from them to be able to provide specialist care to this complex breed.

We have moved forward with recognising specialised veterinary practices where breed-specific surgeries can be carried out at lower costs and on-line fundraising through social media has been a huge help in enabling this. A working relationship with PDSA continues and professional memberships of ADCH (Association of Dog and Cat Homes), Dog Law and the KC (Kennel Club) have ensured that we remain ahead of all new legislation and all means of assistance. Grants applications have been submitted on a number of occasions and have had mixed success. These will continue in 2019/2020.

### **FUTURE PLANS**

In the year ahead we expect to fully investigate VAT registration and implement Gift Aid; voluntary staffing, including the Trustees, means that we cannot achieve all that we would like in short timescales and the work of the charity continues to be very reactive and proactivity is not always possible in many areas. Growth is expected to continue and there are hopes for a Junior Club to help support and educate young people to be good dog owners in the future. Funding remains our greatest concern and this will be actively addressed by means of fundraising and grants. Adoption fees for rehomed dogs is our only regular means of funding.

There are no plans to become a premise-based rescue and we remain resolutely opposed to rehoming dogs from foreign countries, preferring to concentrate on matters closer to home.

Signed on behalf of the committee on 31 January 2020

**T L Cargill** Trustee

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF PHOENIX FRENCH BULLDOG RESCUE

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Phoenix French Bulldog Rescue for the year ended 31 March 2019 which are set out on pages 5 to 9.

#### RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

As the trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

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

#### INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

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

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- (2) the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- (3) the accounts do 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 other 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

**CJ GOODHEAD FCA** Knight Goodhead Limited Chartered Accountants 31 January 2020

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## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

	Total 2019 £	Total 2018 £
INCOME	-	-
Donations and legacies	128,219	76,511
TOTAL INCOME	128,219	76,511
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities	141,143	76,241
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	141,143	76,241
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	(12,924)	270
FUND BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD	270	-
FUND BALANCES AT 31 MARCH 2019	(12,654)	270

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

## **BALANCE SHEET AT 31 MARCH 2019**

	Notes		2019		2018
		£	£	£	£
CURRENT ASSETS Cash at bank and in hand		1 069		990	
		1,968		990	
CREDITORS: amounts falling	4				
due within one year		(14,622)		(720)	
			(12,654)		270
		_	(12 65 4)	_	270
NET (LIABILITIES) / ASSETS		=	(12,654)	=	270
FUNDS					
Restricted funds			_		_
Unrestricted funds:					
General fund	5	(12,654)		270	
			(12,654)		270
		_	(12 65 4)	-	270
TOTAL FUNDS		_	(12,654)	=	270
Approved by the board of trustees on 31 Janu	uary 2020				

Approved by the board of trustee and signed on its behalf by:

**T L Cargill** Trustee

### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

### **1** ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant

The accounts have been prepared on the going concern basis.

b) Income

All income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income.

- Donations and legacies are received by way of grants, donations, and gifts, and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable.
- c) Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. It includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates:

• Charitable activities comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries.

#### d) Fund accounting

Funds held by the charity are either:

Unrestricted general funds	Funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.
Designated funds	Funds which are set aside for specific purposes by the trustees to be used in accordance with the charitable objects.
Restricted funds	Funds that can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purpose.

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019 (continued)

### 2 LEGAL STATUS

The charity is an unincorporated organisation and registered with the Charity Commission in England and Wales on 8 March 2017. The charity is a public benefit entity.

#### **3** CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES EXPENDITURE

	2019	2018
	£	£
Vets	93,105	39,728
Cost of dogs coming in	382	2,698
Adoption packs	595	245
Event costs	3,189	3,651
Local projects	-	578
Event item purchase	2,630	2,583
PR (Literature & Brochures)	3,513	248
Goods purchased for auction	6,633	1,289
Merchandise purchases	7,547	4,812
Events purchases	379	1,840
Travel and subsistence	1,220	630
Printing, postage and stationery	3,543	3,097
Subscriptions	1,530	1,303
Telephone	5,066	1,635
Computer software	1,145	288
Website	161	120
Motor running expenses	6,721	3,810
Refreshments	35	83
Sundry	2,164	127
Bank interest paid	-	11
Bank charges	270	73
PayPal fees	595	221
Irrecoverable VAT	-	6,451
Accountancy and independent examination	720	720
	141,143	76,241

# NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019 (continued)

4 CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	2019	2018
	£	£
Trade creditors	13,182	-
Accruals	1,440	720
	14,622	720

5 UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	At				
	beginning				At end
	of year	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	of year
	£	£	£	£	£
General fund	270	128,219	(141,143)	-	(12,654)
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