

**Staffordshire Bull Terrier Welfare**  
**Registered Charity Number**  
**1058627**

**For the year ended**  
**July 2025**

**Legal and Administrative**  
**Information**

**Name:** Staffordshire Bull Terrier Welfare

**Charity No:** 1058627

**Address:** 41 Gudsmunsen  
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**Trustees:**

C Hubery Esq BEM	(Chairman)
Mrs A Hubery	(Secretary)
Miss J McLauchlan	(Treasurer)
Miss C.Crossman	Trustee
Miss V McClean	Trustee

**Governing Document:** The Charity is operated under the rules of its constitution adopted 30 March 1996 and amended 21 September 1996. The charity is an unincorporated association.

**Bankers:** Barclays Bank plc

**Independent Examiner Verification: Kate Tulley**

**Date:**

**Signed:**

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# Trustees' Annual Report

The Trustees present their report with the Financial Statements and Independent Examiner's report for the year ended 31 July 2025

## Structure, Governance and Management

### *Appointment of Trustees*

There shall be no fewer than 6 trustees and a maximum of 9. The appointment of new Trustees shall be in accordance with the following requirements:

- The candidate shall have worked with the executive member for a period of one year, and
- The candidate is voted on to the Committee by the existing members at the Annual General Meeting

### Organisation Structure

- All Trustees conduct the Charity's business by attendance of the Charity's executive committee.
- All business decisions are undertaken by the executive committee
- The executive committee may regulate their proceedings as they think fit to consider the business of the association
- The day to day administration is carried out by the Chair and decisions are made by the majority of the executive committee

### **Objects:**

- The objects of the Charity are:
- To alleviate suffering and distress caused to dogs and in particular to the breed or type known as the Staffordshire Bull Terrier, which may be ill-treated, abandoned or neglected
- To re-home abandoned or unwanted dogs
- To finance any assistance as deemed appropriate by the executive committee
- To promote better public understanding and perception of the breed

### **Activities**

A long term aim is to unite an increasing number of rescue groups to promote better collaboration and interaction without interfering with the methods of working of individual member groups. Typically this could include:

- Moving dogs around the country as deemed appropriate
- To encourage the exchange of experience, opinions and views
- Support with vets bills

To this aim we offer membership on two planes, "group membership" for rescue groups and "friends" membership for individuals.

### **Achievements and Performance:**

Because of the pandemic, the Staffordshire Bull Terrier Welfare (SBTW) had a lot of appeals for help for support with vets bills in the Spring of this year. This situation fell back in the Summer but increased again when the energy crisis hit and people were experiencing poverty and unemployment.

This situation has continued to the present. We have helped many more dogs than usual during the year.

The trustees have considered the guidance produced by the Charity Commission on the provision of public benefit and they confirm that public benefit has been provided by the range of activities as described above.

### **Future Plans**

SBTW are constantly looking for funding to help with this situation, however, this is becoming increasingly difficult.

### **Financial Review:**

Financially, we are pleased to report that the trust is still making progress and that the bank balance remains strong.

The trust has no long term commitments so does not aim to keep large sums in reserve. The executive committee has the power from its constitution to invest in such assets as is considered necessary. As the charity has to be able to react quickly to particular emergencies, the trustees believe sufficient funds are immediately available from the trust's current bank account. The executive committee has assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, in particular those relating to the operations and finance of the charity, and is satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to major risks. None of the trust's funds are considered to be restricted.

### **Risk Management:**

The Trustees, who maintain a formal risk assessment register to which the Charity is exposed. They do not consider that there are any substantial financial risks beyond the liabilities disclosed in the Financial Statements. The Charity holds public liability insurance.

### **Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities**

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and financial statements in accordance with applicable Charity Law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Charity Law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which show a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and its financial activities for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- Comply with applicable accounting standards, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operational existence.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose

with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

Name	Clive Hubery BEM	Position	Chair
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Signature		Date	
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Name	Audrey Hubery	Position	Secretary
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Signature		Date	
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## **Independent Examiner's Verification**

Report to the trustees/members of Staffordshire Bull Terrier Welfare on Accounts for the year ended 31 July 2025

### **Respective responsibilities of the Charity and the Independent Examiner**

As members of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements; you consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 3(3) and section 144(2) of the Act do not apply and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to

- Examine the financial statements under s.145 of the 2011 Act;
- Follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145 (5)(b) of the 2011 Act;and
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention

### **Basis of examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 these 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

### **Independent examiner's 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 section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**Kate Tulley**

Date

Signed

# Notes to the Financial Statements

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**For the year ending 31 July 2025**

## **Accounting Policies**

### **Basis of Preparation**

These 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 102) (effective January 2015) - Charities SORP (FRS 102).

Chopwell Regeneration CIO 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 accounting policy note(s).

### **Incoming Resources**

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when:

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability

Donations are only included in the SOFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

Capital Grants are released over the economic useful life of the asset to which they relate

### **Resources Expended and Liabilities**

Resources expended have been analysed using a natural classification.

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

### **Taxation**

The charity is exempt from corporation tax, or capital gains tax on its charitable activities. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the asset cost or expenses to which it relates.

### **Tangible Fixed Assets**

Tangible fixed assets are capitalised if they cost more than £1,000 and can be used for more than one year. The Charity does not currently have any capitalised fixed assets.