CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01/01/2025 Period start date To 31/12/2025
Period end date

Charity name: Alexa's Canine Trust

Charity registration number:1199089

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	**For the benefit of the public to relieve the suffering of dogs in need of care and attention and to provide rescue homes or other facilities for the reception, care and treatment of such animals.** **To relieve the suffering of animals in need of care and attention, through the provision of grants and services for the reception, care and treatment of such animals.**
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	**The charity maintains its attention on dogs and other animals that need help most whether that be by rescuing and rehoming or awarding grants for veterinary costs to enable the animals to remain in loving homes.**
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	**The Trustees declare that the charity is run with due regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit. All guidance documents issued by the Charity Commission have been distributed to the Trustees and agreed.**

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	**The charity has a policy regarding grant giving**
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	

Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	**The charity is volunteer led with no paid employees. During 2025 the charity saw a slight decrease in volunteers. However, the charity was still able to fulfil its objectives and obligations in full. Volunteers on average provide approximately 10000 to 11000 man hours each year and cover rescue and rehoming, retail, fundraising and administration. We also have other supporters who knit items for sale and collect donations for our shop. The contribution that our volunteers make is huge and is very much appreciated by the all Trustees.**
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	**2025 has been a challenging year for the charity with more demands being placed upon it especially by individuals requesting financial assistance to enable them to keep their pets within the family home. Some of that care is a long term commitment by the charity. Added to that we have seen the cost of veterinary medicine rise especially drugs.** **As with previous years we have worked with the local authority, food banks, social care providers and other charities to provide the best possible outcome for both animals and their human owners.** **Our relationships with local vets as well as veterinary hospitals continues to grow year on year. Our network has expanded further and now includes vets in the Newcastle area.** **We have also consolidated our relationships with other local charities in order that we can expand our services further afield.** **Although, we now have only one retail shop, it performed well and has supplied us with a steady income stream. Our fundraising has continued, especially our ever-popular dog shows at local fairs where we are now seen as a fixture.** **In 2025 we were supporting 9 long term foster dogs, although we did have to**

		say goodbye to 2 older dogs during the year. **During 2025 we provided over £28k in veterinary aid to individual owners plus £4300 to other local small charities who were struggling. We also provided over £800 of dog food to our local food bank.** **As always, we provided emergency kennelling for dogs that needed to be removed immediately from their environment.**

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	**Our objective is always to help as many animals as we can and as yet we have never had to refuse any animal help when they needed it.** **Our Facebook page now has over 2k followers.** **We must ensure our costs are met and therefore when necessary we engage in extra fundraising events.**
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	**Although our income has dropped slightly we still had a healthy balance of £28K at the end of 2025.**
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	**The charity does not have a policy on reserves but constantly monitors its reserves to ensure there are sufficient fund to cover 6 months operating costs.**
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	**As with all small charities our main concern is the downturn in the economy which may provide less income and donations. Added to that our volunteers are getting older and recruitment of volunteers is proving challenging.**

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	**The charity's principal funding comes from our charity shop, fundraising, together with donations from individuals.**
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	**Constitution**
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	**CIO**
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	**By appointment of the existing Board of Trustees. All Trustee's must meet eligibility criteria as laid out in the charities constitution.**

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	ALEXA'S CANINE TRUST
Other name the charity uses	ACT
Registered charity number	1199089
Charity's principal address	4 LACY ST LONGHOUGHTON ALNWICK NE663AH

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	ALEXA NISBET	TREASURER		
2	CAROLE GREEN	SECRETARY		
3	IRIS BUTLER			
4	ALISON TOOLE			
5	BRIDIE BENNET			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Other optional information

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	CAROLE LYN GREEN	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	SECRETARY	
Date	27.9.2026	

ACCOUNTS 1/1/2025- 31/12/2025

ALEXA'S CANINE TRUST

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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of: Charity Name: ALEXA'S CANINE TRUST

On accounts for the year ended: 31-12-2025 | **Charity no (if any)**: 1199089

Set out on pages: (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended [redacted].

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

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

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed: K H Potts **Date:** 23rd Sept 2026

Name: KATHRYN H. POTTS

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

Address: 2. Kareth Drive
High Newton by the Sea
Alnwick NE66 3DH.

Section B	Disclosure
	Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).
Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.	