CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From October 28,2024 To March 31,2026

Charity name: SOS Italian Setters

Charity registration number: 1210696

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	• For the public benefit, to relieve the suffering of Italian Setters in need of care, protection and attention, and, in particular, to source and validate suitable rescue homes and places of safety or other facilities for the rescue, care, treatment and safe rehoming of such dogs. • To educate the public in matters pertaining to animal welfare especially in relation to Italian Setters, preventing cruelty and suffering amongst the breed.
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	• Raising funds to support the rescue and rehoming of Italian setter dogs to the UK • Transporting and rehoming dogs in UK, through foster and adoption • Educating the British public on the identification and management of Mediterranean diseases
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees have reviewed the guidance issues by the Charity Commission (February 2014) and have discussed and minuted it in a Trustee meeting. All trustees are aware of the purposes of the charity and meet monthly to discuss how we achieve those requirements.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	

Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/A
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Volunteers are the backbone of success of the charity, assisting in the temporary rehoming of dogs; transporting them to permanent homes; ensuring they receive veterinary treatment when required; raising funds. There are over 30 volunteers raising funds, and approximately 50 volunteers involved in rehoming and caring for dogs.
Other		N/A

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. There is an "I" at the end of the text in this box: missing text or typo?	Para 1.20	During this accounting period, a total of 33 dogs have been rescued and successfully rehomed in UK. The charity has raised awareness of Mediterranean diseases affecting dogs, by preparing guidance notes for our website and publishing a series of posts on our social media group regarding the various aspects and implications of leishmaniasis: symptoms, when to test the dogs and which tests to ask for, guidance on pet insurance etc. Furthermore, we co-operate with the largest Brucella Canis support group, whose founder shares posts with our supporters to help raise awareness. The issue of awareness of these diseases is completely misunderstood in the UK, both by the population in general and also veterinarians.

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

		Being the first year of the charity, no

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	specific objectives were set in order to better understand the flow of funding, the rate of rehoming, and any unexpected expenses.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	See above.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		N/A

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	At the end of first financial period, the charity had £8,898.79 in its current account.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The charity does not hold reserves per se; however, there is a goal to raise £10,000 in a deposit account for emergency funding of unanticipated veterinary care for dog(s). The charity leaves – conservatively - £5,000 in its current account for ongoing expenses. Any surplus is transferred to the deposit account to build up the 'reserve' fund.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	N/A
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	The charity does not own assets, and does not have ongoing liabilities, apart from annual charity insurance cover. As a result, no reserves are required.
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

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	All funding came from donations during this first year. Many supporters organised car boot sales, e-Bay auctions of items. A holiday let was raffled. The donations were received through • PayPal Giving • Bank account directly • Teaming • GoFundMe • Easy Fundraising • Just Giving The charity is registered with the Fundraising Regulator.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/A
A description of the principal	Para 1.46	The charity risk register is reviewed by trustees twice yearly. The largest risks: • UK veterinarians misdiagnose

risks facing the charity		symptoms of disease • Dog tests positive to Brucellosis when in the country despite a negative test in Italy • Dog attacks a person • Fosterer/Adopter does not want to surrender a dog • Dog gets very ill/dies in transit. • Dog goes missing while in the care of fosterers
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Overseen by UK Charity Commission – Foundation model
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (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	Selection by demonstrated interest in charity's purposes, or possessing qualifications required (e.g. financial, charity law, etc.) for ongoing operation of the charity

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	All policies are available on the shared drive, accessible by all trustees. Each policy reviewed annually by different trustees, and amendments made as required. All trustees review charity governance document on joining, and also the Charity Commission "Charity Trustee Welcome Pack".
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	The charity is run by the trustees; there are no employees. The charity depends solely on its volunteers.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	N/A
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	SOS Italian Setters
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1210696
Charity’s principal address	81 Gayford Road London W12 6BY

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	Iolanda Chiara Carella		10/24-present	
2	Andrew Tizzard		10/24-2/26	
3	Janet Benson		10/24-present	
4	Anne van Ysendyck		4/25-present	
5	Elena Cavalli		1/25-present	
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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)	Janet Benson	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	
Date	7 July 2026	