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**Registered charity number: 1167029**

**Sibes and Sled Dogs Husky Welfare Ltd**

**Report of the Trustees and Financial Statements  
for the Year ended 31st May 2019**

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# Sibes and Sled Dogs Husky Welfare Ltd

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# Sibes and Sled Dogs Husky Welfare Ltd

## Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st May 2019

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The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st May 2019.

The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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) - Charities SORP (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)  
- the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

### **Reference and Administrative Information**

Registered company number 09044393

Registered charity number: 1167029

### **Registered Office:**

18 Brentwood Road, Nelson, Lancashire, BB9 8AX

### **Trustees/Directors:**

Christine Duxbury - Trustee/Director  
Angela Hornby - Trustee/Director  
Sammie Widdup - Trustee  
Cameron Firth - Trustee  
Steven Moss - Trustee

### **Independent Examiner:**

David Morgan FMAAT  
Blackburn and Blackburn Limited  
Accountants  
73 Albert Road  
Colne  
BB8 0BP

### **Bankers**

Lloyds Bank

### **Structure, Governance and Management**

The charity is a private company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

The company is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association, amended by special resolution at Companies House May 2016.

**Structure, Governance and Management continued**

The charity's policies and direction are set by the Board of Trustees who meet regularly throughout the year. There is also regular communication by email and telephone, and with informal sub-group meetings.

The Trustees have a duty to identify and review risks to which the charity may be exposed, and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error. Risks to which the charity is exposed have been identified and are regularly monitored.

The Trustees are responsible for complying with the guidance of the Charity Commission on public benefit when performing their duties and confirm that they have done this.

**Overview**

Sibes and Sled Dogs Husky Welfare (SASD) is a dog rescue dealing with the rescue, rehoming and research of Siberian Huskies, Alaskan Malamute and other associated breeds. The rescue was initially established in January 2012 by John Duxbury. SASD gained Registered charity status on 10th May 2016.

**Objectives**

Sibes and Sled Dogs Husky Welfare was established as a charity with the following objects:  
"To promote humane behaviour towards animals by rescuing, researching, rehabilitating and rehoming sled dog breeds which are in need of care and attention by reason of sickness, maltreatment, poor circumstances or ill usage and to educate the public in matters pertaining to animal welfare and prevention of cruelty and suffering".

**Activities**

We have dedicated kennels that we rent, providing emergency kennelling for a maximum of 8 dogs, and rely heavily on a network of foster homes across the UK.

Land is rented from Pendle Borough Council for a nominal amount, this has enabled us to provide an off lead area, a running track and memorial area which is used for a variety of fund raising events from weekly walks to our annual fundraising Funday. We have an annual "away camp" and organise other walks and events to raise awareness of the breed and the responsibilities of owning such dogs and also to raise the profile of the charity and take the opportunity to fundraise.

We also attend throughout the year various fundraising and awareness events including our attendance at fundays, galas, festivals, open days etc.

# Sibes and Sled Dogs Husky Welfare Ltd

## Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st May 2019

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### Our Trustees and Admin Team

#### **Christine Duxbury : Director**

Co-founder and widow of John Duxbury, currently works at Lancashire County Council as a driver for young people and adults with special needs to school/day centres. Support worker for adults with special needs and the elderly. Support with anything and everything, mainly land, events and merchandise but time permitting will support any area as will all of us.

#### **Angela Hornby: Director (appointed 27/9/2019)**

Social Work Manager for Children's services. Volunteer for events and fund raising, home checking, camp activity organiser, transporting and collection of dogs and support at land and off lead.

#### **Andrew MacDonald: Director (resigned 27/9/2019)**

Director at Lustalux, Suppliers of Architectural Window films, Graphics and Signage. Proud adopter of 5 rescue huskies. Support to Christine with all sorts and everything. In my spare time I enjoy being a taxi service to my 2 teenage girls, listening to awful music and pounding the lanes of the Fylde Coast with our 5 rescue huskies and 2 labradors.

#### **Cameron Firth: Trustee**

Been involved with SASD since John started the rescue, help with the kennels, transport runs, support at events and land.

#### **Sammie Widdup: Trustee**

Works in retail locally, helps with merchandise, land, kennels and events.

#### **Steve Moss: Trustee**

Stay at Home Dad. 24 hour SASD emergency phone, hands on with dogs and events. Anything and everything that I can do to support the rescue and this wonderful dog breed.

#### **Ian Hornby: Admin**

Factory Manager. Volunteer for events and fund raising, camp activity organiser, transporting and collection of dogs and support at land and off lead.

#### **Ruth Turner: Admin (resigned 27/9/2019)**

Advocacy and Finance Manager at a charity for Deaf People. Became involved with SASD after meeting Beau when taking our husky Nook to the land for some off lead playtime, had a home check and adopted Beau.

#### **Lucy Pearson: Admin (resigned 27/9/2019)**

Dog Walker and Trainer as a Day Job. Volunteer at SASD as kennel co-ordinator. I am part of the admin team because I want to help the 'difficult' dogs that have been misunderstood by people and therefore end up in rescue. I want to give the dogs that can't be rehomed because of a humans mistakes a higher quality of life.

#### **Penny Wilkin: Admin**

I joined the admin team after being part of the kennel volunteer team for 2 years. I support Lucy with kennel shift duties, feeding, cleaning out the kennels, giving medications and walking the dogs. I also help with meets and get great satisfaction from this. Last year I took a dog into his new home and he has since been adopted. I am happy to be one of the kennel volunteers and support Lucy whenever I can.

#### **Jenny Montgomery: Admin**

I am based in Scotland and have a background in Management Consultancy and customer service. I started as admin with SASD managing the chip changes and gradually started to focus on Scottish operations, booking events, transport and home checks in Scotland and working on business development in Scotland.

### Number of Trustees

The current trustees are happy to continue with their roles and charity is actively looking to appoint additional trustees.

## Sibes and Sled Dogs Husky Welfare Ltd

### Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st May 2019

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#### **Fundraising and Support**

Our main sources of income are fundraising activities, donations and voluntary adoption fees for dogs we rehome. We also have a number of merchandise items for sale through our website shop.

In the year we attended numerous events in and around East/West Lancashire to raise the awareness of the breed and the specific requirements of ownership. We fundraise in a number of ways and event attendance is primarily a fund raiser/awareness raising activity.

Events attended cover schools, petting sessions at local Care Homes and as many local open days and county fairs as possible. Our priorities here are two-fold, to spread awareness but also to raise funds by selling merchandise, tombola stall, raffle etc.

We have an active and informative website and a Facebook page with over 5,000 likes and followers.

#### **Achievements and Performance**

During the year we have supported approximately 300 owners to enable them to be more confident and more equipped to address the needs of their dog, by offering support and guidance, by the way of telephone consultation, email enquiries through general enquiries by way of our facebook page and indeed in person.

85 dogs have been rehomed this year, some coming into kennels for assessment and intensive work by our experienced kennel volunteers, others being able to go into foster homes prior to adoption and some are straight adoptions.

During the year we commenced a small refurbishment project on the kennels, and as these are rented we work closely with the owner to ensure all works are in keeping with their requirement.

As a rescue we work very closely with other sled dog rescues in order to ensure that any larger and more challenging rescue projects are tackled in a coordinated manner in the best interests of all dogs involved.

We as a rescue are very fortunate to work very closely with our local Pets At Home store which includes the rescue being registered with Vets4Pets.

We have over time, particularly the last 12 months, forged a positive working relationship to a point whereby they have chosen us as their Charity of The Year. This entails instore fundraising events which the rescue attends with some of our dogs and in turn they readily support us by attending and running/judging a fun dog show at our annual, in addition to supporting us with food donations to support our resident dogs in our kennels.

#### **Our Euthanasia Policy**

It is the policy of SASD to not euthanise any dog without the express recommendation from a Veterinary Surgeon.

We work with dogs with all manner of issues, food guarding, aggression, separation anxiety etc and when we feel they are ready to be rehomed we spend time searching for the right home, making sure that the adopting home is fully aware of any previous issues and triggers.

# Sibes and Sled Dogs Husky Welfare Ltd

## Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st May 2019

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### Financial Review

During the year the charity received income in excess of £37,000.

Our spending included a total of £9,212 on dog welfare, £4,721 on transport for dogs rescued and rehomed and £5,881 on rent and maintenance of our dedicated off lead area, which is used on a regular basis to provide much needed exercise for our sled dogs in a safe and controlled environment.

We attended two 'camp style' get-togethers for sled dog owners at a cost of £3,577, this cost being offset by donations received from attendees.

### Reserves Policy

The Trustees review the level of reserves on a regular basis to ensure that the appropriate levels are maintained to finance the day to day operations of the charity.

At present reserves are sufficient to manage our regular activities. Should a position be achieved where excess reserves are held then initially these would be held in a separate account and used for vets bills.

### Going Concern

The trustees confirm that the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

### Future Plans

First and foremost our aim is to support more dogs into rescue and into forever homes.

We continue to see an increase in unwanted Sled dogs due to their popularity and being the latest "fashion" dog !

The refurbishment of our kennel is an ongoing project and requires continued volunteer support and financial input during 2019/20.

We aim to continue to raise awareness amongst more communities and individuals, including exploring ways of attracting corporate and small business sponsorship.

We will continue to attend appropriate events and fetes and use social media to interact with and gain new followers, volunteers and donors.

We also intend to further develop our off lead area and improve facilities available within it for the use of dogs living within reasonable travelling distance from our base.

### Special thanks to our regular funders for their support this year:

XLCR Vehicle Management Ltd - [www.xlcrvehicleremarketing.co.uk](http://www.xlcrvehicleremarketing.co.uk)

Merry Puppins - [www.merrypuppinsdogs.com](http://www.merrypuppinsdogs.com) [www.facebook.com/merrypuppinsdogs](https://www.facebook.com/merrypuppinsdogs)

### Contact Details

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Telephone: 07821 876630

Web Site: [sibesandsleddogs.org.uk](http://sibesandsleddogs.org.uk)

## Sibes and Sled Dogs Husky Welfare Ltd

### Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st May 2019

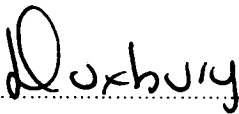
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#### Declaration

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that 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 Companies Act 2006. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

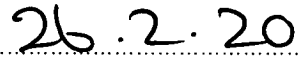
The above report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime as set out in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 and in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102).

Signed on behalf of the Trustees by:

  
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Christine Duxbury - Trustee

Date

  
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# Independent Examiners report to the Trustees of Sibes and Sled Dogs Husky Welfare Ltd

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## Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts.

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

## Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission.

An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

## Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 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; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

I 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 be reached.

Signed:



David Morgan FMAAT

Blackburn and Blackburn Limited  
73 Albert Road  
Colne  
Lancashire  
BB8 0BP

Date

26/2/2020

# Sibes and Sled Dogs Husky Welfare Ltd

Statement of financial activities (including summary income and expenditure account)  
for the period 1st June 2018 to 31st May 2019

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year funds
<b>Income</b>					
Donations and legacies	17,828				11,815
Charitable activities	6,935				6,763
Other	12,940				18,302
<b>Total</b>	<b>37,703</b>				<b>36,880</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
Raising funds	10,210				10,707
Charitable activities	25,828				22,118
Other	1,044				4,094
<b>Total</b>	<b>37,082</b>				<b>36,919</b>
<b>Net income/(expenditure) before tax</b>	<b>621</b>	<b>0</b>			<b>-39</b>
<b>Tax payable</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>			<b>0</b>
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>	<b>621</b>	<b>0</b>			<b>-39</b>
<b>Transfers between funds</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>			<b>0</b>
<b>Other recognised gains/(losses):</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>			<b>0</b>
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>621</b>				<b>-39</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>					
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>	<b>12,077</b>				<b>12,116</b>
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>13,392</b>				<b>12,077</b>

# Sibes and Sled Dogs Husky Welfare Ltd

## Balance Sheet at 31st May 2019

FIXED ASSETS	Note	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Endowment funds	Total this year	Total last year
Tangible assets		6,002				6,977
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>						
Stock of merchandise		400				375
Cash at bank		7,127				5,675
Cash in hand		10				10
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>						
Creditors and accruals		-840				-960
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>12,699</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12,699</b>	<b>12,077</b>
<b>FUNDS AND RESERVES OF THE CHARITY</b>						
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>		<b>12,699</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>12,077</b>

The company was entitled to exemption from audit under s477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with FRS102 SORP.

**Signed by a trustees/director on behalf of all the trustees/directors :**

Print Name: Christine Duxbury

Date

Signed:

Christine Duxbury

26.2.20

**Signature of director authenticating accounts being sent to Companies House**

Name: Christine Duxbury

Date

Christine Duxbury

26.2.20

# Sibes and Sled Dogs Husky Welfare Ltd

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31st May 2019

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### Basis of preparation

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with:

the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) - Charities SORP (FRS 102) (effective January 2015) - the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

### Company Status

The company is a private company limited by guarantee and consequently does not have share capital.

### Accounting policies

#### Recognition of income

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

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources;
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

#### Grants and donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met.

During the year a grant of £5,500 was received from Support Adoption For Pets as a contribution to a year's vet fees thus freeing up other funds to pay for dedicated staff training for kennel volunteers.

A donation of £1,815 was also received from one of our regular supporters XLCR Vehicle Management Ltd.

#### Volunteer help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

#### Expenditure and liabilities

Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

#### Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

#### Assets

Tangible fixed assets for use by charity are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year and cost at least £50. They are valued at cost and depreciation is provided at an annual rate of 15% written down value.

#### Stocks

Goods or services provided as part of a charitable activity are measured at cost.

#### Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

#### Trustee's Remuneration, Benefits and Expenses

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31st May 2019.

Trustee's were occasionally reimbursed for small basic meal costs whilst on long journeys to collect or deliver dogs.

#### Related Party Transactions

There have been no related party transactions in the reporting period.

# Sibes and Sled Dogs Husky Welfare Ltd

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31st May 2019

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### Notes to the accounts

#### INCOME

##### Analysis of Income

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds £	Prior year
<b>Donations and legacies:</b>					
General donations and gifts	12,086				11,206
Kennel sponsorship	2,520				609
Gift Aid	0				0
Legacies	275				0
Grants	5,500				0
				<b>20,381</b>	<b>11,815</b>
<b>Charitable activities:</b>					
Off Lead Area	270				70
Dog Adoptions	4,111				6,693
				<b>4,381</b>	<b>6,763</b>
<b>Other Income:</b>					
Event Income	11,803				12,815
Other	1,138				5,487
				<b>12,941</b>	<b>18,302</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>37,703</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>37,703</b>	<b>36,880</b>

# Sibes and Sled Dogs Husky Welfare Ltd

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31st May 2019

EXPENDITURE		£	Prior year	
<b>Expenditure on raising funds:</b>				
Incurred seeking donations - merchandise	7,378		5,495	
Staging fundraising events	5,511		5,212	
Advertising, marketing, direct mail and publicity		12,889	0	10,707
<b>Expenditure on charitable activities:</b>				
Kennel rental	3,180		3,180	
Temporary kennels	0		293	
Other kennel costs	1,807		1,765	
Pet food supplies	150		111	
Vets fees	6,715		6,665	
Specialist dog rehabilitation fees	540		295	
Van expenses - fuel, insurance and maintenance	4,721		6,768	
Subsistence payments to volunteers	0		0	
Off lead area	2,701	19,814	3,041	22,118
<b>Other administrative costs:</b>				
Software	287		287	
Bank charges	232		58	
Accountancy	340		360	
Independent examiners fee	475		600	
Depreciation	975		738	
Insurance	859		894	
Equipment repairs	0		279	
Printing and stationery	537		279	
Sundries	240		75	
Telephone	434	4,379	524	4,094
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>37,082</b>	<b>36,919</b>	

# Sibes and Sled Dogs Husky Welfare Ltd

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31st May 2019

### Movement In funds - cash flow statement

#### Cash flows from operating activities:

	Opening balance	Incoming	Resources expended	Fund transfers	At 31 May 2019	Prior year
Unrestricted funds	12,077	37,703	-37,082	0	12,699	11,977
Increase (decrease) in stocks	375	25			400	375
(Increase) decrease in creditors	-960	120			-840	-960
Tangible assets	6,977		-975		6,002	6,977
Cash in bank and hand	5,685	1,452			7,137	5,685
Total funds and reserves	12,077	1,597	-975	0	12,699	12,077

#### TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Plant & Equipment	Van	Total
<b>Cost</b>			
b/fwd	6,997	4,500	11,497
additions in year	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	6,997	4,500	11,497
<b>Depreciation</b>			
b/fwd	3,012	1,508	4,520
charged in year	<u>598</u>	<u>377</u>	<u>975</u>
	3,610	1,885	5,495
<b>Net Book Value at 31st May 2019</b>	3,387	2,615	6,002

#### CREDITORS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR:

	2019	Prior year
Accrued expenses	840	960