

**Meow Paws North Macedonia SCIO**  
**Scottish Charity number – SC051474**  
**Annual Report and Financial**  
**Statements**  
**For the year ended 31 January 2026**

## **Trustees' Annual Report For the year ended 31 January 2026**

The Trustees have the pleasure in presenting their report together with the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 January 2026.

### **Reference and Administrative Information**

#### **Charity Name**

Meow Paws North Macedonia SCIO

#### **Charity Number**

SC051474

#### **Address**

Meow Paws North Macedonia SCIO  
28 The Maltings  
Haddington  
East Lothian  
EH41 4EF

### **Current Trustees**

|                |             |                       |
|----------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| Iva Stojanovic | Chairperson | 06/01/2022 to present |
| Sue Bagley     | Treasurer   | 06/01/2022 to present |
| Jennifer Duff  | Secretary   | 03/03/2022 to present |

## **Structure, Governance and Management**

### **Constitution**

The Charity is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO). It was registered in its current legal form on 6th January 2022. It was set up with a single-tier structure.

### **Appointment of Trustees**

The above-mentioned trustees had their AGM on 12<sup>th</sup> Sept 2025 and meet three to four times a year. Meetings are carried out via zoom, due to the location of the members. There must be a minimum of three and a maximum of six trustees.

### **Objects**

#### **Charitable Purposes**

The organisation is established for charitable purposes only, and in particular, the objects are:

- to advance animal welfare, in particular the welfare of stray cats and dogs in North Macedonia
- to advance and promote education concerning animal welfare

### **Achievements and Performance**

During 2025, the charity supported the work of the Meow Paws Animal Shelter in North Macedonia who feed 200+ stray cats and dogs twice a day. They monitor their health, and take them for routine vaccinations, worming/flea/tick treatments and as funding allows, a neutering programme. They take in injured/harmed animals which are unfortunately very common. Vet fees are huge. We have focused in the first few months on fundraising and increasing our UK volunteer base.

Before registering as a charity, we started a Go Fund Me fundraiser to create a larger shelter with separate enclosures. The charity successfully applied for grant funding from Wing and a Prayer, another Scottish animal welfare charity and The Belaforte Trust. This has enable us to purchse two further containers to convert into living accommodation for more dogs and a hospital container which will provide quarantine

facilities and recovery from surgery. This will also allow us to expand our CNVR programme without incurring large veterinary fees for recovery.

## **Financial Review**

Income (£14602.15) & Expenditure (£14518.75)

The charity relied solely upon donations to provide their service throughout 2025/6.

## **Reserves Policy**

It is the aim of the trustees to build a reserve account in time, in order to support foster care/vet's fees, etc, although funds have not allowed this yet.

## **Plans for the Future**

The trustees discussed further development and growth of the charity in terms of developing the volunteer base, providing more foster homes and emergency rescue back up. We will continue to focus on our Go Fund Me campaign to develop the shelter in North Macedonia. We would like to put two more containers onto the land, sited on a concrete base, with comfortable enclosures inside allowing for cats and dogs to recover from neutering and surgery and to enable less sociable dogs and cats to be rescued. We have reached out to larger, longer established organisations in order to raise the profile of the charity. We have also begun to apply for grant funding from other rescue organisations to expand the shelter in North Macedonia.

## Statement of Receipts and payments for the year ended 31 January 2026

|                                | Unrestricted<br>Funds | Restricted<br>Funds | Year-end<br>31/01/2026 |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Receipts</b>                |                       |                     |                        |
| Donations                      | 14602.15              | 3485                |                        |
| Opening balance                | 115.79                | -                   |                        |
| Total receipts                 | <u>14602.15</u>       | <u>-</u>            | <u></u>                |
| <b>Payments</b>                |                       |                     |                        |
| Medication                     |                       |                     |                        |
| Postage                        |                       |                     |                        |
| Monthly costs                  |                       | -                   |                        |
| Specific animal donations      |                       |                     |                        |
| Surplus for the year           |                       | 0                   |                        |
| Transfers between funds        | -                     | -                   | -                      |
| Surplus/(Deficit) for the year | <u>83.40</u>          | <u>-</u>            | <u></u>                |

## Statement of Balances – As at 31 January 2026

|                                | Unrestricted<br>Funds | Restricted<br>Funds | Year-end<br>31/12/2026 |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| Opening cash at bank & in hand | 115.79                | -                   |                        |
| Surplus for the year           |                       | -                   |                        |
| Closing cash at bank & in hand | <u>83.40</u>          | <u>-</u>            | <u></u>                |

These accounts have been prepared on the Receipts and Payments basis in accordance with the Charities & Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf.

  
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Name: S. BAGLEY

  
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Name: J. DUFF

Date: 15/7/20

**Registered Charity no: SC051474**

## **Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts**

Report to the Trustees of Meow Paws North Macedonia SCIO, Registered Charity number SC051474 on the accounts of the charity for the period 01 February 2021 to 31 January 2026.

### **Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner**

The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustees Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The Charity Trustees consider that the audit requirements of regulation 10 (1) (d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44 (1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### **Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement**

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. 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 seeks 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 the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. Which give me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

to keep accounting records in accordance with section 44 (1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and  
to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations

have not been met, or

2. To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Date: 15/7/26

**Name: Mrs Lynne Bolton**

**Relevant professional qualifications/professional body: Accounts and Book-keeping Diploma**

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