

Directors' Report

Audited Financial Statements

PAWS UNITED CHARITY LIMITED

For the year ended 31 December 2023

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Directors' Report

The directors submit herewith their annual report and audited financial statements of Paws United Charity Limited ("the Association") for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Principal activities

The Association is a non-profit organisation. Its principal activities are:

- (a) to raise awareness of animal welfare issues;
- (b) to reduce the large number of dogs and cats that are abused, abandoned or destroyed everyday;
- (c) to provide proper treatment and medication to animals; and
- (d) to plan, organise and implement re-homing and/or adoption programmes for animals.

Financial performance

The results of the Association for the year ended 31 December 2023 and its statement of affairs as at that date are set out in the financial statements on pages 6 to 14.

Business review

The Association is exempted from preparation of a business review which the Association falls within the reporting exemption for the financial period, and the Association is not required to prepare a business review for the financial period.

Directors

The directors who held charity during the year and up to the date of this report were:

Jennifer Chan
Chan Yau Kam Joseph

In accordance with the Association's Articles of Association, unless otherwise specified in the appointment, a director holds office for an unlimited period of time.

The Association did not enter into any contract, other than the contracts of service with the directors or any person engaged in the full-time employment of the Association, whereby any individual, firm or body corporate undertakes the management and administration of the whole, or any substantial part of any business of the Association.

Arrangements to acquisition of debentures

At no time during the year was the Association a party to any arrangements to enable the directors of the Association to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of debentures of, the Association or any other body corporate.

Directors' material interests in transactions, arrangements or contracts

No transactions, arrangements and contracts of significance in relation to the Association's business to which the Association was a party and in which a director of the Association had a material interest, whether directly or indirectly, subsisted at the end of the year or at any time during the year.

Management contracts

Save as mentioned above, no other contracts concerning the management and administration of the whole or any substantial part of any business of the Association were entered into or existed during the year.

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Equity-linked agreements

No equity-linked agreements into which the Association entered subsisted at any time during the year.

Permitted indemnity provisions

No permitted indemnity provision was in force during the year, or is in force at the date of this report, for the benefit of a then director or a director of the Association (whether made by the Association or otherwise) or a then director or a director of its holding company, subsidiary, or fellow subsidiary (if made by the Association).

Auditor

A resolution will be submitted to the annual general meeting to re-appoint Latitude CPA Limited, *Certified Public Accountants*, as the auditor of the Association.

By order of the Board



Jennifer Chan, Director
6 June 2024



Independent Auditor's Report

To the members of

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Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Paws United Charity Limited ("the Association") set out on pages 6 to 14, which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2023, and the income and expenditure account, statement of changes in reserve and fund, and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the Association's affairs as at 31 December 2023 and of its income and expenditure and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standard ("HKFRSs") issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA") and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing ("HKSA") issued by the HKICPA. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Association in accordance with the HKICPA's *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* ("the Code"), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Information Other than the Financial Statements and Auditor's Report Thereon

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the directors' report, but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.



Independent Auditor's Report (Cont'd)

To the members of
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Information Other than the Financial Statements and Auditor's Report Thereon (Cont'd)

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of Directors and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

The directors are responsible for the preparation and the true and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the HKFRSs issued by the HKICPA and the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the Association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Association or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Association's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. This report is made solely to you, as a body, in accordance with the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance, and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility towards or accept liability to any other person for the contents of this report.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with HKSAAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with HKSAAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.



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Independent Auditor's Report (Cont'd)

To the members of

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Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements (Cont'd)

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Association's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Association's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Association to cease to continue as a going concern.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Law Ka Lok

Latitude CPA Limited
Certified Public Accountants
Law Ka Lok
Practising Certificate Number – P04116

Hong Kong,
6 June 2024

PAWS UNITED CHARITY LIMITED**Income and Expenditure Account**

For the year ended 31 December 2023

	Note	2023 HK\$	2022 HK\$
INCOME			
Revenue	5	2,083,057	3,174,590
Government grant	5	1,360,675	-
Bank interest income	5	4,661	798
		<u>3,448,393</u>	<u>3,175,388</u>
EXPENDITURE			
Accounting fee		28,000	28,000
Advertising and promotions		42,180	53,716
Audit fee		25,000	25,000
Bank charges		19,654	22,660
Cleaning expenses		31,966	30,038
Computer expenses		28,342	-
Depreciation		129,889	129,889
Directors' remuneration	6	-	-
Insurance		9,903	6,206
Legal and professional fee		30,000	70,000
Pet food		118,997	133,263
Pet medical expenses		93,995	49,114
Pet training		131,270	139,000
Postage and courier		1,020	1,619
Pre-construction works of government grant		1,360,675	-
Printing and stationery		25,973	6,619
Rent, rates and building management fees		287,925	206,386
Repair and maintenance		101,175	110,465
Secretarial fee		6,520	8,910
Storage		44,880	3,740
Sundry expenses		178,593	258,207
Telecommunication		13,592	31,214
Transportation and freight		173,560	198,507
Utility		36,318	37,648
Veterinarian		1,016,715	1,168,822
Volunteers' functions		36,728	18,443
		<u>3,972,870</u>	<u>2,737,466</u>
(Deficit) / Surplus for the year		<u>(524,477)</u>	<u>437,922</u>

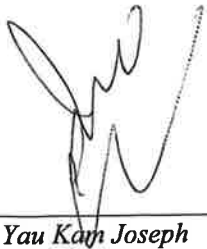
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PAWS UNITED CHARITY LIMITED**Statement of Financial Position**

As at 31 December 2023

	Note	2023 HK\$	2022 HK\$
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	8	<u>389,666</u>	<u>519,555</u>
Current assets			
Deposits paid		72,210	72,210
Prepayment		4,000	10,000
Cash and bank balances	10	<u>577,451</u>	<u>984,482</u>
		<u>653,661</u>	<u>1,066,692</u>
Current liabilities			
Accruals		53,000	71,443
Amounts due to directors	11	<u>54,322</u>	<u>54,322</u>
		<u>107,322</u>	<u>125,765</u>
Net Current Assets		<u>546,339</u>	<u>940,927</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>936,005</u>	<u>1,460,482</u>
Reserve and Fund		<u>936,005</u>	<u>1,460,482</u>

Approved on behalf of the Board by

Jennifer Chan
Director

Chan Yau Kam Joseph
Director

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Statement of Changes in Reserve and Fund

As at 31 December 2023

	General fund	Subscriber's and member's fund	Total
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Balance as at 31 December 2022	1,460,482		1,460,482
Deficit for the year	(524,477)	-	(524,477)
Balance as at 31 December 2023	936,005	-	936,005

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Statement of Cash Flows

For the year ended 31 December 2023

	Note	2023 HK\$	2022 HK\$
Cash flows from operating activities			
(Deficit) / Surplus from operations		(524,477)	437,922
Adjustments for:			
Bank interest income		(4,661)	(798)
Depreciation		129,889	129,889
Operating (deficit) / surplus before working capital changes		(399,249)	567,013
(Increase) in deposits paid		-	(16,280)
Decrease / (Increase) in prepayment		6,000	(10,000)
Increase in accounts receivables		-	-
(Decrease) in accruals and other payables		(18,443)	(3,557)
Increase in accounts payables		-	-
(Decrease) in amounts due to directors		-	(9,078)
Cash (used in) / generated from operations		(411,692)	528,098
Finance costs		-	-
Net cash (used in) / generated from operating activities		(411,692)	528,098
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchases of property, plant and equipment		-	(244,264)
Bank interest income		4,661	798
Net cash generated from / (used in) investing activities		4,661	(243,466)
Net (decrease) / increase in cash and cash equivalents		(407,031)	284,632
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning for the year	10	984,482	699,850
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year	10	577,451	984,482

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Accounting Policies and Explanatory Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2023

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Paws United Charity Limited (“the Association”) is incorporated in Hong Kong with limited by guarantee without a share capital. The address of its registered office and principal place of business is located at Shop B, Ground Floor, 130 Caine Road, Mid Levels, Hong Kong.

2. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

Under the provisions of the Association’s Articles of Association, every member shall, in the event of dissolution of the Association, be responsible for the debts and obligations of the Association to the extent not exceeding HK\$100 per member.

3. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND ACCOUNTING POLICIES

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards (“HKFRSs”) issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (“HKICPA”) and the requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

The Association qualifies for the reporting exemption as a small guarantee company under section 359(1)(a) of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance (Cap. 622).

The measurement base adopted is the historical cost convention.

The following are the specific accounting policies that are necessary for a proper understanding of the financial statements:

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, demand deposits and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less. Bank overdraft is shown within borrowings in current liabilities on the statement of financial position.

Income recognition

Revenue is recognised when it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Association and when the revenue can be measured reliably, on the following bases:

- (i) revenue are recognised when cash is received and includes all sums received up to the date of the statement of financial position; and
- (ii) interest income is recognised on a time proportion basis taking into account the principal outstanding and the interest applicable.

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Foreign currency translation

(a) **Functional and presentation currency**

Items included in the financial statements of the Association are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates (the functional currency). These financial statements are presented in Hong Kong Dollars, which is the Association's functional and presentation currency.

(b) **Transactions and balances**

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at year-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in surplus or deficit.

Foreign exchange gains and losses that relate to borrowings and cash and cash equivalents are presented in surplus or deficit within "finance costs". All other foreign exchange gains and losses are presented in surplus or deficit within "other income" or "other expenses".

Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

The depreciable amount of an item of property, plant and equipment is allocated on a systematic basis over its estimated useful life using the straight-line method. The principal annual rates used for depreciation are as follows:

Decoration	20%
Motor vehicle	20%

Impairment of assets

An assessment is made at the end of each reporting period to determine whether there is any indication of impairment or reversal of previous impairment, including items of property, plant and equipment, intangible assets and long-term investments. In the event that an asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount, the carrying amount is reduced to recoverable amount and an impairment loss is recognised in the income statement. A previous recognised impairment loss is reversed only if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount, however not to an amount higher than the carrying amount that would have been determined (net of amortisation or depreciation), had no impairment losses been recognised for the asset in prior years.

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Leases

Leases are classified as finance leases whenever the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the leased asset to the Association. All other leases are classified as operating leases.

Rights to assets held under finance leases are recognised as assets of the Association at the fair value of the leased property (or, if lower, the present value of minimum lease payments) at the inception of the lease. The corresponding liability to the lessor is included in the statement of financial position as a finance lease obligation. Lease payments are apportioned between finance charges and reduction of the lease obligation so as to achieve a constant rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability. Finance charges are deducted in measuring surplus or deficit. Assets held under finance leases are included in property, plant and equipment, and depreciated and assessed for impairment losses in the same way as owned assets.

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to surplus or deficit on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease.

Accounts payables

Accounts payables are obligations on the basis of normal credit terms and do not bear interest. Accounts payables denominated in a foreign currency are translated into Hong Kong Dollars using the exchange rate at the reporting date. Foreign exchange gains or losses are included in other income or other expenses.

Taxation

Income tax expense represents current tax expense. The income tax payable represents the amounts expected to be paid to the taxation authority, using the tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

The Association's activities are exempted from Hong Kong tax under Section 88 of the Hong Kong Inland Revenue Ordinance by reason of being a charitable institution of a public character.

4. RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

Funds management

The objectives of the Association's funds management are to safeguard the entity's ability to continue as a going concern and to carry out charitable activities. No changes were made in the objectives, policies or processes during the year ended 31 December 2023.

5. INCOME

	2023 HK\$	2022 HK\$
Revenue	2,083,057	3,174,590
Government grant	1,360,675	-
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	<u>3,448,393</u>	<u>3,175,388</u>

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6. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

Directors' remuneration disclosed pursuant to section 383(1) of the Companies Ordinance is as follows:

	2023 HK\$	2022 HK\$
Fees	-	-
Other emoluments	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

7. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

The Association has been exempted under Section 88 of the Hong Kong Inland Revenue Ordinance from any tax by reason of being a charitable institution of a public character.

8. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	Motor Vehicles HK\$	Decoration HK\$	Total HK\$
Cost:			
At 31 December 2022	244,264	405,180	649,444
Addition	-	-	-
At 31 December 2023	<u>244,264</u>	<u>405,180</u>	<u>649,444</u>
Accumulated depreciation and impairment loss:			
At 31 December 2022	48,853	81,036	129,889
Depreciation for the year	48,853	81,036	129,889
At 31 December 2023	<u>97,706</u>	<u>162,072</u>	<u>259,778</u>
Net carrying amount:			
At 31 December 2023	<u>146,558</u>	<u>243,108</u>	<u>389,666</u>
At 31 December 2022	<u>195,411</u>	<u>324,144</u>	<u>519,555</u>

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9. COMMITMENTS UNDER OPERATING LEASES

The Association had the following total future minimum lease payments payable under non-cancellable operating leases:

	2023 HK\$	2022 HK\$
Not later than one year	216,717	236,418
Later than one year	-	216,717
	<u>216,717</u>	<u>453,135</u>

10. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	2023 HK\$	2022 HK\$
Bank balances	559,960	972,001
Alipay balances	2,163	-
Credit card balances	3,583	3,519
Payme balances	1,778	-
Paypal balances	9,967	8,962
	<u>577,451</u>	<u>984,482</u>

11. AMOUNTS DUE TO DIRECTORS

The amounts due to directors are unsecured, interest-free and have no fixed repayment term.

12. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

These financial statements were authorized for issue by the Association's Board of Directors on 6 June 2024.