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INQUIRY INTO 2025 INQUIRY INTO THE OPERATION OF THE APPROVED CHARITABLE ORGANISATIONS UNDER THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS ACT 1979

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RSPCA NSW makes the following submissions to the NSW Legislative Council Inquiry into the operation of the Approved Charitable Organisations under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act (1979):

1. Statutory character of POCTAA enforcement

a. The *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act (1979)* ("**POCTAA**") creates criminal offences for causing animal cruelty in New South Wales ("**NSW**").

b. The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales ("**RSPCA NSW**") operates an Inspectorate as an Approved Charitable Organisation ("**ACO**") under POCTAA, with Inspectors appointed by the Minister for Agriculture.

c. POCTAA confers powers such as entry, search, seizure, issuance of directions, and prosecution. These inspection powers mirror those exercised by other public regulators, such as general examinations of animals, seizures of evidence, written directions, and warrants.

d. These powers and appointments sit squarely within the State's public-law framework.

e. NSW Government policy recognises which entities enforce POCTAA, being RSPCA NSW and Animal Welfare League NSW ("**AWL NSW**") as ACOs, and NSW Police. The Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development ("**DPIRD**") administers the Act but explicitly does not enforce it.

f. That division of policy and admin by DPIRD, with enforcement by police and ACOs, confirms that the enforcement task is a State responsibility carried out by, or under the authority of, the State.

g. The NSW Parliament sets expectations through statutes and policies, and the Executive allocates resources to meet those expectations.

h. Where the NSW Parliament and the community have rightly elevated expectations for animal-welfare enforcement, the funding must track those expectations through the Budget process, not through charitable cross-subsidy, which donors increasingly wish to prioritise for people-and-pets support services (desexing, vet care, outreach) rather than law enforcement.

2. Law Enforcement and Safety Funding

a. NSW already treats public-order enforcement as a core State function funded via the Budget. NSW Police operating statements show NSW Government funding distributions grew from $4.236 billion in FY2022/23 to $5.549 billion in FY2025/26.

b. NSW Greyhound Welfare and Integrity Commission ("**GWIC**") operating statements show that NSW Government funding distributions grew from $20.614 million in FY2022/23 to $25.587 million in FY2023/24 and to $21.654 million in 2024/25.

c. The NSW Government is demonstrably willing and able to fully fund law enforcement agencies, including an animal welfare enforcement regulator that has received amounts exceeding the combined grants provided to the ACOs in all but one year, despite its remit being limited to one industry, and the number of animals covered representing a fraction of the whole-of-state animal cruelty enforcement task undertaken by the ACOs.

d. These figures demonstrate Parliament's settled practice that law enforcement is paid for by the State, appropriated, scrutinised, and benchmarked. Expecting a charity to absorb a structurally underfunded share of State enforcement under POCTAA is inconsistent with that practice.

e. NSW Government practice also already demonstrates that the State can fully fund a discrete state function delivered by a charity or not-for-profit, without funding the organisation's broader operations. By way of example, Surf Life Saving NSW ("**SLS NSW**") drone surveillance is fully funded by the NSW Government through the NSW Shark Management Program. The NSW Government recently announced $2.5 million to expand shark surveillance drone operations, in addition to the existing $21.4 million annual allocation. Any proposition that the State cannot fully fund an ACO to deliver a statutory enforcement function as a discrete part of its operations because it is a non-government organisation is not supported by DPIRD's treatment of other services supplied by non-government organisations like SLS NSW that provide services on behalf of the state.

3. Animal Welfare Sector Funding

a. NSW Government Budget allocations for animal welfare have declined sharply in recent years:
   i. FY2023/24: $68.2 million
   ii. FY2024/25: $21.0 million
   iii. FY2025/26: $12.6 million

b. In February 2023, the NSW Government announced $68.2 million for animal welfare, allocated in the FY2023/24 Budget. The FY2024/25 Budget reduced this to $21.0 million, a year-on-year

reduction of approximately 69 per cent. Of the FY2024/25 allocation, $5.6 million was unspent and carried forward into FY2025/26. The FY2025/26 Budget provided $11.1 million in new funding, which, when combined with the carry-forward, resulted in a published total of $16.7 million for animal welfare programs delivered or funded by the DPIRD. In addition, the Office of Local Government ("**OLG**") allocated $1.5 million per year, shared across more than 100 animal rehoming organisations.

c. This reduction in funding represents a policy choice with a practical effect of increasing reliance on charities, volunteers, and councils to deliver core animal welfare functions, without sustainable or predictable funding.

d. Evidence provided to Legislative Council Inquiries into Pounds and Cat Management consistently indicated that councils, animal welfare organisations, and sector representatives reported that animal welfare functions are state responsibilities in policy but local or charitable responsibilities in funding practice.

e. Witnesses repeatedly identified rising demand, expanding legislative and community expectations, and declining or inadequate state funding, with councils and charities increasingly required to absorb the gap through rates, philanthropy and volunteer labour.

f. Reduced investment across the system has exacerbated pressure on ACOs, contributing to unmet demand and animal cruelty going unprevented as a direct consequence.

4. ACO Funding

a. NSW Government operational funding to the ACOs Inspectorates has fluctuated considerably over recent years, being:

   i. FY2022/2023: $3,136,000.00
   ii. FY2023/2024: $26,000,000.00
   iii. FY2024/2025: $12,500,000.00
   iv. FY2025/2026: $12,800,000.00

b. For RSPCA NSW specifically, operational funding to the Inspectorate:

   i. FY2022/2023: $2,924,000.00
   ii. FY2023/2024: $20,500,000.00
   iii. FY2024/2025: $11,376,000.00
   iv. FY2025/2026: $9,856,000.00

c. By comparison, the actual cost of delivering the inspectorate's core functions has remained consistently high, being approximately:
    i. FY2022/2023: $13,800,000.00
    ii. FY2023/2024: $21,200,000.00
    iii. FY2024/2025: $20,500,000.00
    iv. FY2025/2026: $18,700,000.00 *(projected)*
d. The result is a structural deficit: RSPCA NSW consistently spends $7 million to $10 million more than it receives in government funding to maintain its inspectorate operations.
e. This demonstrates that the current POCTAA enforcement model is unsustainable without either a substantial increase in funding or a recalibration of the statutory and operational expectations placed on ACOs.

5. Rising Expectations of POCTAA Enforcement

a. RSPCA NSW operates with a dual expectation:
    i. To uphold statutory enforcement obligations, and
    ii. To maintain the public's trust as a charitable organisation focused on compassion, rehabilitation, and education.
b. This dual role is being stretched as:
    i. Community expectations, media scrutiny, and parliamentary interest in animal welfare outcomes have all risen sharply.
    ii. At the same time, government funding has fluctuated dramatically and sits well below the true cost of service delivery.
    iii. Regular amendments to POCTAA, like the *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Amendment (Puppy Farming) Bill 2024,* require greater resourcing to enforce them, without consideration of how the additional regulatory burden will be borne.

6. Rising Demand for POCTAA Enforcement

a. Despite fluctuating funding, the Inspectorate's workload continues to increase. Over the same period:
    i. Animals brought into the care of RSPCA NSW by the Inspectorate:
        - FY2022/2023: 1,912
        - FY2023/2024: 4,161
        - FY2024/2025: 3,650

ii. Animals involved in animal cruelty complaints received and investigated:
    - FY2022/2023: more than 185,000
    - FY2023/2024: more than 175,000
    - FY2024/2025: more than 168,000

iii. Total calls received by the contact centre:
    - FY2022/2023: 74,507
    - FY2023/2024: 91,215
    - FY2024/2025: 90,882

iv. Animal cruelty complaints received by the contact centre:
    - FY2022/2023: 21,081
    - FY2023/2024: 32,706
    - FY2024/2025: 29,844

v. RSPCA NSW animal cruelty cases:
    - FY2022/2023: 14,420
    - FY2023/2024: 17,436
    - FY2024/2025: 17,946

vi. Animal cruelty field investigations:
    - FY2022/2023: 18,680, with 4,797 being follow-up visits.
    - FY2023/2024: 23,689, with 6,596 being follow-up visits.
    - FY2024/2025: 20,929, with 4,216 being follow-up visits.

vii. Prosecutions commenced:
    - FY2022/2023: 108
    - FY2023/2024: 100
    - FY2024/2025:156

viii. Prosecutions finalised:
    - FY2022/2023: 108, of which,
        - 59 had been commenced that year, and
        - 49 were ongoing from previous years.
    - FY2023/2024: 94, of which,
        - 48 had been commenced that year, and
        - 46 were ongoing from previous years.
    - FY2024/2025: 122, of which,
        - 69 had been commenced that year, and
        - 53 were ongoing from previous years.

ix. Penalty infringement notices issued under POCTAA:
    - FY2022/2023: 111
    - FY2023/2024: 84
    - FY2024/2025: 127
x. Written directions issued under section 24N of POCTAA:
    - FY2022/2023: 799
    - FY2023/2024: 1,235
    - FY2024/2025: 1,320

b. Each metric tells the same story. Public expectations and demand are rising faster than government resourcing or organisational capacity.

7. Donor Intent and Competing Pressures on Charitable Funds

a. RSPCA NSW's donors overwhelmingly support programs that help people and animals in need, not subsidise the state's law enforcement.
b. An ever-growing proportion of donors expect their contributions to fund desexing, veterinary care, rehoming, and community outreach.
c. RSPCA NSW are able to reach and prevent cruelty being caused to three times as many animals through prevention and outreach work as is possible through the inspectorate.
d. There is an inherent tension between this donor intent and the Inspectorate's statutory enforcement role.
e. Redirecting charitable funds to subsidise enforcement erodes donor trust, risks reputational harm, and constrains the organisation's ability to deliver preventive and welfare-based initiatives that reduce cruelty at its root cause.
f. The NSW Government's funding shortfall forces RSPCA NSW to use donor dollars to fund law enforcement functions, contrary to donor expectations and the charitable purpose of those funds.

8. The Cost of POCTAA Enforcement Beyond Investigation

a. Inspectorate costs are not confined to field officers and prosecutions. Each investigation triggers a cascade of downstream expenses:
    i. Veterinary care and housing for seized animals (often for months or even years pending court outcomes);
    ii. Legal representation and evidence management in protracted court cases;

iii. Vehicle fleets, digital systems, and training for compliance with procedural fairness and evidentiary standards;
iv. Call centre operations, with more than 90,000 calls annually, with around one-third being cruelty complaints.

b. These are public functions performed on behalf of the State, yet largely subsidised by a charity.
c. NSW Government funding grant deeds have not only seen dramatic changes to the amount of funding provided, but also what costs can be acquitted by the organisation, noting that:
   i. FY2022/2023: NSW Government funding acquitted against all inspectorate costs.
   ii. FY2023/2024: NSW Government funding acquitted against all inspectorate costs.
   iii. FY2024/2025: NSW Government funding was able to be acquitted against legal costs, inspector field officers and field operations, but was prevented from being acquitted against animal care, veterinary, or call centre costs.
   iv. FY2025/2026: NSW Government funding acquitted against all inspectorate costs.

9. The Impossible Balance

a. RSPCA NSW is being asked to do what no statutory agency would ever be expected to do: enforce State law using donations from private citizens.
b. RSPCA NSW is proud of its heritage and partnership with the NSW Government; however, the imbalance between expectation and resourcing has reached a critical point.
c. The current model is untenable without either:
   i. A realignment of expectations to match available funding; or
   ii. A sustainable funding model that matches expectations of modern law enforcement and animal welfare standards.

10. The Inquiry's Core Questions

a. The Inquiry must therefore grapple with three fundamental questions:
   i. What level of enforcement and animal welfare outcomes does the NSW Parliament and the communities it represents expect under POCTAA?
   ii. What level of funding is realistically required to achieve that outcome?
   iii. What proportion of that cost should be borne by the government versus being reliant on charitable donations?
b. Until those questions are answered transparently, the enforcement model will remain constrained by its own contradictions and prescribed limitations.

11. Structural Reform

a. RSPCA NSW's Inspectorate performs a public service, operating at a unique intersection of charity and statutory enforcement.
b. The data shows a system under strain:
    i. Demand and complexity are increasing;
    ii. Community and Parliamentary expectations are rising;
    iii. Government funding is inconsistent and insufficient; and
    iv. Donor support cannot and should not be relied upon to fill the gap.
c. RSPCA NSW has enforced animal cruelty prevention laws for more than 100 years and is uniquely placed to provide that service to the community on behalf of the State. However, no organisation can deliver programs effectively without adequate resourcing.
d. If the NSW Government and community wish to maintain an effective animal welfare enforcement regime, the funding must be stabilised, indexed, and commensurate with modern enforcement costs.
e. Otherwise, the consequence will not be caused by inefficiency. Instead, it will be a failure of the statutory enforcement framework itself, ultimately failing the animals and communities POCTAA is designed to protect.

12. Annexures

a. RSPCA NSW 34B Report for FY2022/23 Pages 9 - 31
b. RSPCA NSW 34B Report for FY2023/24 Pages 31 - 68
c. RSPCA NSW 34B Report for FY2024/25 Pages 69 - 121
d. RSPCA NSW Annual Report for FY2022/23 Pages 122 - 136
e. RSPCA NSW Annual Report for FY2023/24 Pages 137 - 157
f. RSPCA NSW Annual Report for FY2024/25 Pages 158 - 182
g. RSPCA NSW Financial Report for FY2022/23 Pages 183 - 217
h. RSPCA NSW Financial Report for FY2023/24 Pages 218 - 252
i. RSPCA NSW Financial Report for FY2024/25 Pages 253 – 286

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Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Regulation 2012 (NSW)

(a) a statement of the number of, and a summary of the substance of, complaints relating to animal cruelty or mistreatment received by the organisation:

Between 1 July 2022 and 30 June 2023, RSPCA NSW received a total of 14,420 complaints alleging cruelty to animals contrary to the *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979 (NSW)* (hereafter the Act). These complaints often involved more than one animal and multiple complaint types.

A breakdown of the species of animal and type of complaint can be found in Appendix 1 - "Complaint Codes – 2022-2023".

(b) a statement of the number of visits or investigations made by officers of the organisation as a result of those complaints:

Of the 14,420 complaints received, RSPCA NSW investigated 13,883 complaints (an average of 53.3 jobs per day). The investigation of these complaints involved 13,883 initial inspections and a further 4,797 revisits. Revisits were generally conducted to inspect subject animals and assess compliance with either written or verbal directions.

RSPCA NSW referred 129 (0.9%) complaints to the NSW Police Force for investigation in the first instance. The referrals were made based on the urgent nature of the animal welfare concern and proximity of the nearest RSPCA Inspector. In relation to the complaints attended by NSW Police, a proportion were referred back to the RSPCA for revisit or follow up inspection.

RSPCA NSW referred 53 complaints to the Animal Welfare League NSW during 2022-2023.

RSPCA NSW referred 24 complaints to other agencies as the allegation fell outside RSPCA NSW jurisdiction.

A total of 331 complaints were logged for intelligence purposes only as there was information alleging one or more offence within RSPCA NSW jurisdiction, but insufficient information to determine or identify a person of interest.

(c) a statement of the number of visits or investigations made by officers of the organisation that were unrelated to those complaints (such as routine inspections of abattoirs, veterinary practices, pet shops or saleyards):

RSPCA NSW's AnimalOS database does not have the capacity to distinguish between cruelty complaints and 'routine' (proactive) inspections conducted on animal trades under the provisions of section 24G of the Act.

Data is captured separately to record the number of 'routine' inspections conducted by the RSPCA NSW Inspectorate. A summary of the 272 'routine' inspections conducted during 2022/2023 is tabled below. These figures for 'routine' inspections are not included in *Appendix 1 - "Complaint Codes – 2022-2023".*

Please note that the capacity to conduct 'routine' inspections is dependent on available resources, with the investigation of animal cruelty complaints taking priority.

ROUTINE INSPECTIONS CONDUCTED 2022/2023		
Animal Trade	**Routine Inspections Conducted 2022/2023**	**Cruelty Complaints** *(as recorded in Appendix 1)*
Agricultural Show	13	
Boarding Facility	12	1583
Breeding Facility	210	
Dog Grooming	1	
Horse Riding Facility	1	4
Pet Shop	225	165
Zoo	1	8
Poultry Farm	1	
Pound	1	
Rodeo	1	
Saleyard	9	9
Total	**272**	**1769**

A statement of the number of persons counselled or advised by officers of the organisation:

Unfortunately, it is not possible to identify the number people that were either counselled or provided advice or educational material by officers of RSPCA NSW. These specific details could only be obtained by reviewing the visit reports associated with each of the 13,883 investigated complaints. In practice, RSPCA Inspectors provide verbal advice as part of the investigation of the majority of complaints. In addition, Inspectors regularly provide educational materials to animal trade operators in the form of NSW DPI resources, printed copies of relevant Codes of Practice, and verbal guidance in respect of animal welfare.

(d) a statement of the number of persons cautioned by officers of the organisation:

Official Cautions issued by RSPCA NSW in accordance with the *Fines Act 1996* (NSW) are issued by the Chief Inspector or Deputy Chief Inspector. During the reporting period, RSPCA NSW issued 18 Official Cautions.

(e) a statement of the number of notices issued by officers of the organisation under section 24N of the Act:

During the reporting period, RSPCA NSW issued 799 written directions pursuant to section 24N of the Act.

(f) a statement of the number of penalty notices issued by officers of the organisation:

During the reporting period, RSPCA NSW issued a total of 111 Penalty Infringement Notices.

(g) a statement of the number of proceedings for offences under the Act or the regulations that were instituted by officers of the organisation, together with details of the defendants and the charges:

RSPCA NSW initiated 107 criminal prosecutions during the period 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023. A total of 107 defendants were charged with 420 offences, involving 517 animals.

Details of the matters, charges and outcomes can be found in *Appendix 2 – "Prosecution Results 2022-2023*".

(h) details of the outcome of such of those proceedings as had been finally determined as at the date of the report:

Of the 107 prosecutions initiated during the reporting period, the following outcomes were recorded as at 30 June 2023:

- 59 prosecutions had been finalised; and
- 48 prosecutions had not been finalised.

Of the 59 prosecutions finalised, 38 were resolved on the basis of a plea of guilty, 12 were determined in the accused's absence pursuant to section 196 of the *Criminal Procedure Act 1986*, 4 were withdrawn, and 2 was dealt with under section 14 of the *Mental Health and Cognitive Impairment Forensic Provisions Act 2020.*

A detailed report outlining the defendant, species, charges laid and Court results can be found in *Appendix 2 – "Prosecution Results 2022-2023".*

(i) details of the outcome of such proceedings for offences as were referred to in the immediately previous report but not finally determined as at the date of that report:

Prosecutions can take several years to finalise. Of those finalised during the reporting period 2022/2023, 49 matters from previous financial years were concluded:

- Initiated in 2017/2018 – 1 x matters finalised
- Initiated in 2019/2020 – 4 x matters finalised
- Initiated in 2020/2021 – 9 x matters finalised
- Initiated in 2021/2022 – 35 x matters finalised

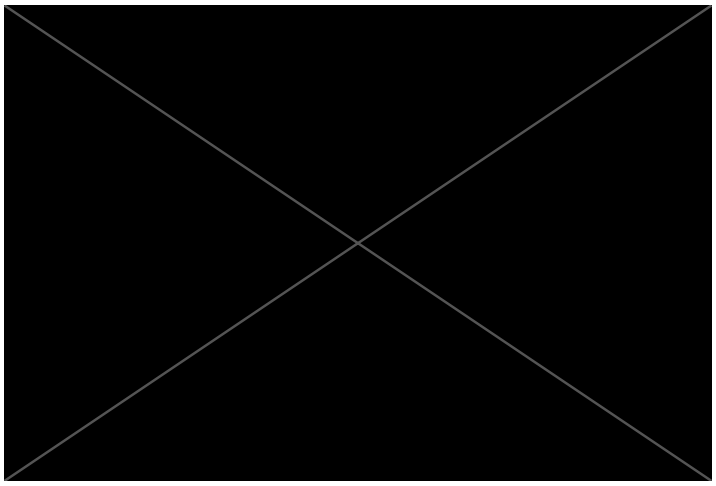
Several proceedings initiated prior to the reporting period were still before the Courts as at 30 June 2023:

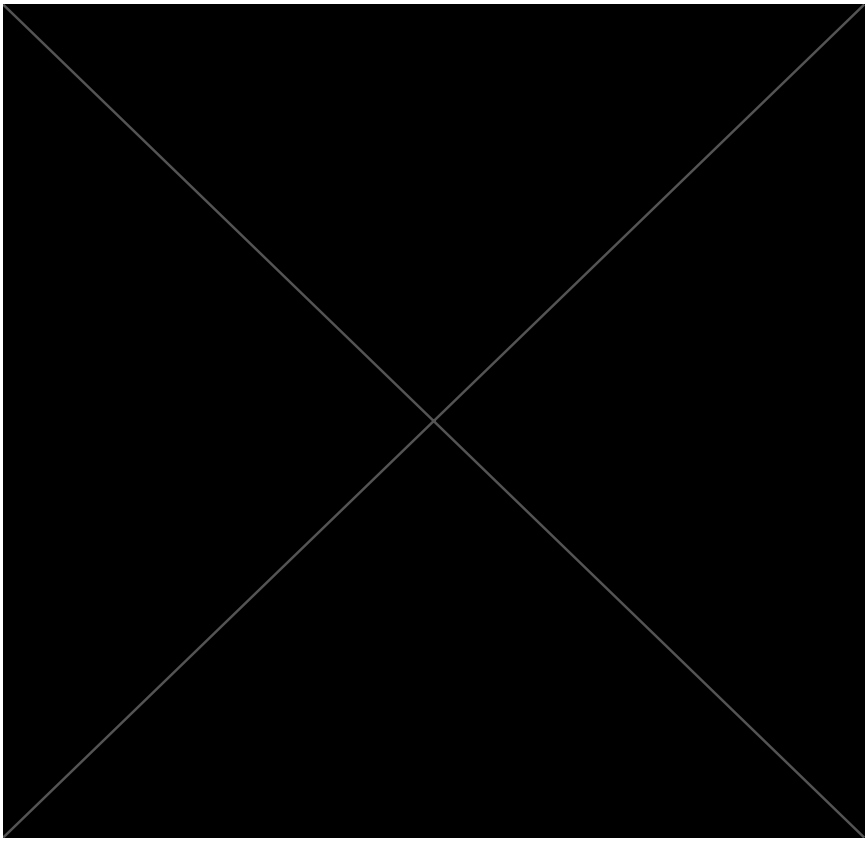
- Initiated in 2017/2018 – 1 x matter
- Initiated in 2020/2021 – 1 x matter
- Initiated in 2021/2022 – 8 x matters

A detailed report outlining the defendant, species, charges laid and court results can be found in *Appendix 2 – "Prosecution Results 2022-2023".*

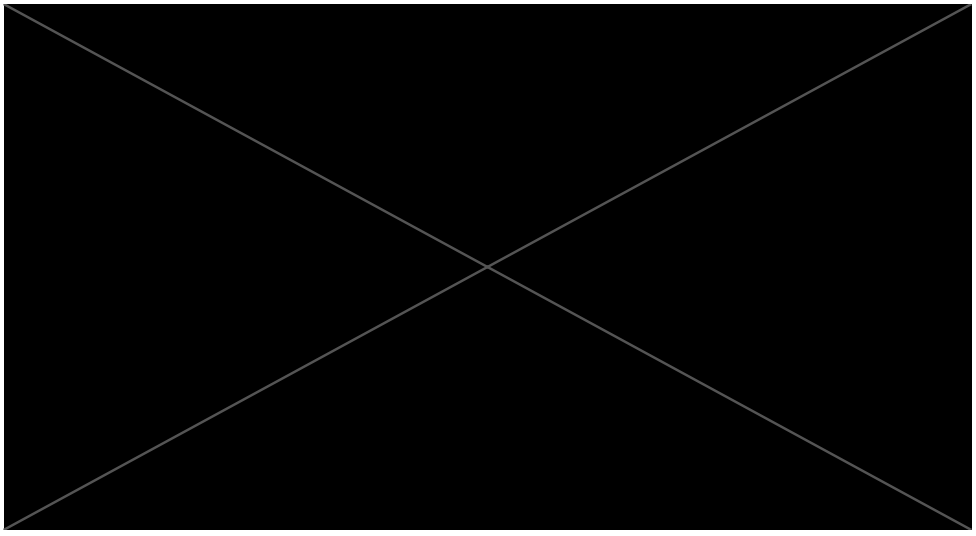
(j) a list, current as at the date of the report, of the officers of the organisation, together with any changes made to that list since the immediately previous report:

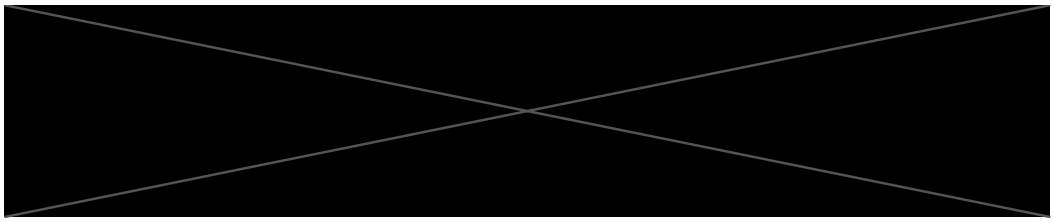
As at 30 June 2023, RSPCA NSW had a total of 38 officers. Of those 38 officers, 38 are holders of a prescribed authority under the provisions of Part 2A of the Act, issued with the approval of the Minister for the Department of Primary Industries.





Changes in Authorised Officers since last report:





(k) details of any complaints received by the organisation in relation to its activities (or those of its officers) under the Act, including details as to the resolution of those complaints and of the disciplinary action (if any) taken against any person as a result of those complaints:

1.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a person of interest (POI) in regard to the lack of contact from an Inspector to advise the state of their animal in RSPCA NSW care.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, and considering the circumstances of the matter, the complaint was found to be unsubstantiated and the Inspector followed RSPCA NSW standard operating procedures.
2.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a MOP in regard to the conduct of an Inspector whilst investigating a cruelty complaint, specifically that the Inspector did not investigate the complaint properly and alleging the Inspector gave details of the informant and had a friendship with the POI.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, including review of body worn camera footage, photos and notebook entries, the complaint was found to be unsubstantiated.
3.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a MOP in regard to the conduct of an Inspector whilst investigating a cruelty complaint, specifically that the Inspector did not investigate the complaint properly and alleging the Inspector was acting biased towards the POI.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, including review of body worn camera footage, photos and notebook entries, the complaint was found to be unsubstantiated.
4.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a POI in regard to an Inspector allegedly speaking aggressively and using bullying and threatening behaviour.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, including review of body worn camera footage, photos and notebook entries, the complaint was found to be unsubstantiated.
6.	Complaint	A complaint was received from POI alleging an Inspector was harassing them in regard to their animals.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, including review of body worn camera footage, photos and notebook entries, the complaint was found to be unsubstantiated.
7.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a POI alleging an Inspector had seized their animals for no reason.

	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, including review of body worn camera footage, photos and notebook entries, the complaint was found to be unsubstantiated.
8.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a POI in regard to an Inspector allegedly speaking aggressively and using bullying and threatening behaviour.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, including review of body worn camera footage, photos and notebook entries, the complaint was found to be unsubstantiated.
9.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a POI alleging an Inspector had seized their animal for no reason and alleging the Inspector was corrupt.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, including review of body worn camera footage, photos and notebook entries, the complaint was found to be unsubstantiated.
10.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a POI alleging an Inspector had directed them to groom their animals coat for no reason.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, including photos and notebook entries, the complaint was found to be unsubstantiated.
11.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a POI in regard to an Inspector seizing their animals, specifically that the Inspector brought undue stress and fear to their animals.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, including review of the Inspector's notes, enforcement documents and body worn camera footage, the complaint was found to be unsubstantiated. The Inspector had followed all RSPCA NSW Policies and Procedures.
12.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a POI in regard to the seizure of their animals, alleging the Inspector was rude and did not give correct information on animal enclosures when issuing a Section 24N Written Direction.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, including review of the Inspector's notes, enforcement documents and body worn camera footage, the complaint was found to be unsubstantiated. The Inspector had followed all RSPCA NSW Policies and Procedures.
13.	Complaint	A complaint was received from an informant that Inspector had showed bias and collusions by making an appointment to view a property instead of attending un-announced.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, a review of the Inspector's notes and body worn footage it was found that these claims were unsubstantiated.
14.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a POI in regard to the conduct of an Inspector whilst investigating a cruelty complaint, specifically that the Inspector did not provide their name and details on arrival and was verbally abusive.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint and body worn footage, it was found that these claims were unsubstantiated.

15.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a POI alleging an Inspector was not of sound mind to possess a firearm.
	Outcome	RSPCA NSW would never permit an authorised officer to retain their authority and / or access to firearms where there were concerns for their capacity or mental health. In respect of this particular complaint, RSPCA NSW reviewed the complaint and determined it was unmeritorious and ill-founded. No further action was taken.
16.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a POI in regard to the conduct of an Inspector whilst investigating a cruelty complaint, specifically that the Inspector was vindictive, harassing and intimidating.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint and body worn footage, notes, texts, and records it was found that these claims were unsubstantiated.
17.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a POI in regard to an Inspector conducting a breeding inspection and issuing PINs.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint and body worn footage/photos, notes, and records it was found that these claims were unsubstantiated.
18.	Complaint	A complaint was received through the NSW ombudsman in regard to an Inspector allegedly backdating S24N notices and entering a property without permission.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint and body worn footage/photos, notes, and records it was found that these claims were unsubstantiated.
19.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a POI's carer in regard to an Inspector not returning their phone calls or emails.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, and considering the circumstances of the matter, the complaint was found to be unsubstantiated, and the Inspector followed RSPCA NSW standard operating procedures.

(l) details of the training provided by the organisation for its officers:

The following table details the training provided by RSPCA NSW for its officers over the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023.

Date	Course	Attendees
18 November 2022	Animal First Aid Training	2
November 2022	AnimalOS – Cruelty Complaint System - Training	38
December 2022	Firearms Training	38
31 January 2023	Media Training	10
21 February 2023	Swift Water Training	36
28 April 2023	Rostering & Workplace Training	6
5 May 2023	Animal Emergency Incident Management Training	4
26 June 2023	Defence Tactics	18
27 June 2023	Defence Tactics	19
Various Dates	First Aid Training	36

This report has been completed and submitted by Scott Meyers, Chief Inspector, RSPCA NSW, in accordance with clause 34 of the *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Regulation 2012* (NSW).

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APPENDIX 1 - RSPCA NSW INSPECTORATE - Cruelty Complaints by Animal Types and Complaint Codes - 2022 - 2023

Total number of cruelty complaints received was 14,420. This table analyses complaints by Complaint Code (may be multiple codes in a single complaint) and animal type (may be multiple animal types in a single complaint) - this method results in a total of 29,945 complaints and 33,342 species.

Animal Type ► / Complaint Code ▼	Bird	Cat	Cattle	Crab & Fish	Dog	Exotic Species	Fowl	Goat	Horse	Native	Other Farm	Other Mammals	Pig	Reptile & Amphibian	Sheep	Small Pet	Total species per Code	Total complaints per Code
Abandoned	20	263	4	2	434	1	14	5	21	9	1		1	3	10	21	809	744
Animal Park Insp	3		1	1	4	5	2	4	2	4	1		2	1	4	2	36	21
AWIR			20							2			1		13		36	36
Breeder	36	210	7	1	1414		17	8	15	4	2		2	3	7	39	1,765	1,618
Bushfire					1												1	1
Cock Fighting					1		3									1	5	5
Concern For Welfare	350	1009	219	38	4649	11	161	101	463	96	38	3	33	10	185	250	7,616	6,844
Dead	55	89	79	2	161	1	28	28	27	34	10	1	5		95	37	652	545
Dog Fighting		1			17												18	17
Exercise Inadequate	2	13	1		290		5	2	13	1						4	331	310
Exposed To Heat	6	2	1		41			2	3	1					1	5	62	57
Feedlot Insp			2		1												3	3
Film Notification	3	6	1	9	23		2		8	11	1	1		2		9	76	63
Food & Water	179	884	287	13	4422	9	126	103	664	53	25	2	22	6	176	172	7,143	6,388
Greyhound Complaint		1			9												10	10
Hoarding	8	54		1	31		2		2	2	1	1		1	1	5	109	74
Illtreatment	58	202	16	9	1335	2	26	8	27	42	4	1	12	3	16	35	1,796	1,674
Kennel Inspection	2	10			68		1						1			1	83	73
Killed	12	17	3		19		9	3	1	15	1	1	3		2	4	90	75
Locked In Car		4			44												48	47
Locked In House	8	85		2	147		3	1	4	1						4	255	210
Locked In Laundry		2			10												12	10
Locked In Shed	4	18			100		4		5	1	1		2		3	4	142	120
Locked In Shop		1			3		1										5	4
Locked In Small Pen	128	133	32	20	838	4	69	22	52	35	8	1	8	5	19	85	1,459	1,217
Organised Cruelty		3			5												8	7
Other	18	36	7	2	118	2	9	2	11	24	3	1	2		9	8	252	243
Overcrowded	36	62	7	9	71		17	4	6	7	2		1		9	24	255	175
Pet Shop Inspection	59	24		19	66		8			4				1		39	220	165
Poisoning	7	14	1		30		1			2						2	57	51
Poultry Inspection							8								1		9	8
Premises Inspection	7	14	2	7	59	1	4	3	1	3			3		4	6	114	104
Req Rescue	23	22	11	1	6	10	5	2	2	24	8				4	2	120	129
Riding School Insp									5								5	5
Sale Yard Insp	1		6								1				2	1	11	9
Shelter Inadequate	77	114	79		1782	2	42	59	245	16	7	1	5		71	61	2,561	2,376
Stable Insp		1			1				3								5	4
Tied Continually	7	36	9	1	1162		13	34	34	1	1		4		21	13	1,336	1,238
Transport Unsatisfactory	1	2	43		5		1		1	3	2		2		23	1	84	82
Unattended 24hrs	26	279	4	4	967	1	31	7	11	12	1		5		8	24	1,380	1,244
Vet Treatment	152	774	181	19	2202	19	65	69	418	50	37	3	14	5	258	97	4,363	3,939
Total	**1,288**	**4,385**	**1,023**	**160**	**20,536**	**68**	**677**	**467**	**2,044**	**457**	**155**	**16**	**128**	**40**	**942**	**956**	**33,342**	**29,945**

APPENDIX 2 - RSPCA INSPECTORATE - PROSECUTION RESULTS SUMMARY - 2022/2023

Unfinalised
Finalised
Withdrawn

Approval Number	Date Approved	Date Finalised	Outcome	Court	Species	Total # of Animals	Charges	Summary
PROSECUTIONS COMMENCED 2017/2018								
17-1286	12-Oct-17	Ongoing	Appeal	Supreme Court	Dog	1	1 x act of cruelty - torture, beat and seriously injure an animal (1 dog) 1 x act of cruelty - torture, beat and cause death of an animal (1 dog)	Appeal ongoing. NSW SC hearing listed 13 December 2023
18-1324	20-Feb-18	23-Sep-22	Appeal dismissed	Sydney DC	Dog	1	1 x commit an act of aggravated cruelty 7 x fail to provide veterinary treatment	Conviction appeal dismissed. Orders of the Local Court confirmed: Intensive Corrections Order (**ICO**) - 12 months tdf 23.09.2022, subject to standard conditions s31(1)(a) *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979* (NSW) (**POCTAA**) - disposal order s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 5 years s215 *Criminal Procedure Act 1986* (NSW) (**CPA**) - Local Court costs: $34,641.75 s215 CPA - Appeal costs: $14,000.00
PROSECUTIONS COMMENCED 2019/2020								
20-1441	26-Jul-19	27-Apr-23	Finalised	Newcastle LC	Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Substantive proceedings: 28.04.2022 2019 offences: /001 1: 18-month Community Corrections Order (**CCO**) /003A: 12-month CCO 2020 offences: /001: 15-month CCO /003A: 15-month CCO /005: 17-month CCO CCOs concurrent and subject to standard conditions: s30A(1) POCTAA - costs (for dogs and horses): $13,849.91 total Disqualification proceedings: 22.04.2023
20-1449	27-Aug-19	10-Feb-23	Appeal Dismissed	Nowra DC	Cattle	700	6 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Convicted and fined: /001: $1,500 /002: $1,500 /004: $750 /005: $750 /006: $750 /007: $750 /008: $1,500 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification order: 5 years s215 CPA - professional costs: $12,947.38
20-1450	27-Aug-19	10-Feb-23	Appeal Dismissed	Nowra DC	Cattle	700	6 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Convicted and fined: /001: $1,500 /002: $1,500 /004: $750 /005: $750 /006: $750 /007: $750 /008: $1,500 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification order: 5 years s215 CPA - professional costs: $12,947.38
20-1458	11-Sep-19	21-Oct-22	Charges Dismissed	Goulburn LC	Cattle	247	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 3 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Charges dismissed

PROSECUTIONS COMMENCED 2020/2021								
21-1546	12-Aug-20	15-Feb-23	Annulment Application Refused	Parramatta LC	Dog	19	6 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Annulment Application Refused Convicted and fined: /001: $1,000 /002: $500 /003: $200 /004: $500 /005: $200 /006: $1,000 /007: $3,000 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $27,259.03 each s31(1)(a) POCTAA: disposal order granted excluding two desextedm microchipped, registered dogs s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 5 years, excluding the two dogs (above) s215 CPA - costs: $10,021.89 each
21-1547	12-Aug-20	15-Feb-23	Annulment Application Refused	Parramatta LC	Dog	19	6 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Annulment Application Refused Convicted and fined: /001: $1,000 /002: $500 /003: $200 /004: $500 /005: $200 /006: $1,000 /007: $3,000 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $27,259.03 each s31(1)(a) POCTAA: disposal order granted excluding two desextedm microchipped, registered dogs s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 5 years, excluding the two dogs (above) s215 CPA - costs: $10,021.89 each
21-1562	09-Oct-20	28-Apr-23	Finalised	Newcastle LC	Horse	7	5 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Substantive proceedings: 28.04.2022 2019 offences: /001 1: 18-month Community Correction Order /003A: 12-month CCO 2020 offences: /001: 15-month CCO /003A: 15-month CCO /005: 17-month CCO CCOs concurrent and subject to standard conditions: s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: (for dogs and horses): $13,849.91 total Disqualification proceedings: 22.04.2023
21-1570	29-Oct-20	03-Aug-22	Pleaded guilty	Grafton LC	Dog	4	1 x Tether animal with unreasonably short tether 1 x Hinder other person exercising power under act	Convicted and fined: /001 - $2500 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $10 000.00 (portion of costs only) s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order s122 Fines Act - moiety
21-1576	19-Nov-20	22-Feb-23	Pleaded guilty	Wollongong LC	Cat Python Skink Turtle	10	3 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 6 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted, fined and CCO 12 months /001a - $500 /002 - $500 /004 - $250 s122 Fines Act - moiety
21-1617	07-Apr-21		Ongoing	Wollongong LC	Cat	60	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 6 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 6 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - bench warrant issued for defendant's arrest 16 June 2023
21-1620	14-Apr-21	24-Mar-23	Section 14 application granted	Dubbo DC	Dog	54	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 2 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 17 x Fail to provide vet treatment 2 x Management not comply with requirements of clause	Appeal allowed s14 *Mental Health and Cognitive Impairment Forensic Provisions Act 2020* (NSW) (**MHCIFPA**) application granted Charges (CANs 1-22) dismissed s14(1)(b): Appellant discharged into the care of GP (redacted) and psychologist (redacted) on condition that she attend for ongoing treatment as directed by each practitioner and for as long as recommended s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $55,000 (representing a portion of the vet treatment costs incurred) s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification order: 5 years excluding 2 desexed microchipped
21-1624	18-May-21	09-Aug-22	Severity Appeal	Parramatta DC	Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Appeal dismissed, orders varied as below: Conditional Release Order (**CRO**) - 12 months in addition: /001: $2,200 /003: $1,100 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $352.78 s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 5 years s215 CPA - costs: $193.41

21-1627	31-May-21	19-Aug-22	Pleaded Not Guilty	Windsor LC	Horse	1	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Convicted and fined: /001: $1000 /002: $1000 /003: $1000 /004: $1000 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $4923.84 s122 Fines Act - moiety
PROSECUTIONS COMMENCED 2021/2022								
21-1635	12/07/2021	19/08/2022	Pleaded not guilty	Picton LC	Dog Donkey Pony Parrott Hen Deer Guinea Pig Rabbit	57	9 x Fail to provide vet treatment 5 x fail to provide proper and sufficient shelter 3 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Convicted and fined /005: $300 /003, /008 & /015: CRO 12-months s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $587.60 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification order: 2 years s215 CPA - costs: $99 s122 Fines Act - moiety
21-1643	25/08/2021	30/08/2022	Section 14 Application	Hornsby LC	Dog	1	15 x Commit an act of cruelty 4 x Confine in cage dimensions insufficient	Convicted /001, /004 & /005 CCO: 6 months /007 - CCO: 14 months /015 - CCO: 10 months s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $4,640.58 s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification order: 5 years s215 CPA - costs: $99.00
21-1645	11/08/2021	3/11/2022	Pleaded Not Guilty	Picton LC	Horse	2	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Convicted CCO: 12 months /001: $1500 s122 Fines Act - moiety
21-1659	28/09/2021	6/02/2023	Found Guilty	Campbelltown LC	Dog	2	4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted and fined $1,500 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $26,515.77 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order: all animals within 28 days s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification order: 5 years s215 CPA - costs: $236.20 s122 Fines Act - moiety
21-1665	19/11/2021	17/10/2022	Pleaded Guilty	Coonamble LC	Sheep	250	3 x Fal to provide vet treatment 2 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink 3 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Convicted CCO: 3 years /001: $5500 /007: $5500 /008: $5500 s122 Fines Act - moiety
21-1671	29/11/2021	21/10/2022	Withdrawn	Wyong LC	Dog	1	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Surrender of dog obtained, charges withdrawn
21-1672	29/11/2021		Ongoing	Manly LC	Horse	1	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Mention 20 July 2023
21-1675	7/12/2021		Ongoing	Campbelltown LC	Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Ongoing - Hearing 3 November 2023
21-1679	20/12/2021	13/01/2023	Pleaded Guilty	Hornsby LC	Dog	1	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Convicted /002: $5000 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $1462.98 s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification order: 2 years s215 CPA - costs: $99 s122 Fines Act - moiety
21-1680	20/12/2021	17/01/2023	Section 14 Application	Cessnock LC	Horse	3	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Discharged pursuant to s 14 MHCIFPA (in each matter) – Charges dismissed. Defendant discharged into the care of GP (redacted) on the following conditions: Continue to engage in ongoing mental health care treatment and monitoring by GP and follow all reasonable recommendations for treatment made by him, including re: attendance at appointments, medication, and participation in individual or group therapy. Continue to engage in mental health treatment with Dr (redacted) as directed by her. Accept and follow through with any recommendations or referrals for further treatment made by either GP or Psychologist (redacted). s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: 2021 matter: $26,155.23; 2022 matter: $5,411.91 s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification order: 5 years, except 2 horses s215 CPA - costs: $99
21-1685	18/01/2022		Ongoing	Liverpool LC	Cat Kitten Dog	35	3 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 2 x Commit an act of cruelty 12 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink	Ongoing - Adjourned to 18 October 2023 for Section 14 application

21-1686	18/01/2022	14/06/2023	Pleaded Guilty	Liverpool LC	Puppy	7	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted and fined: /001: $1,500 /003: $500 /004: $500 /006: $500 /007: $500 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $2,000 s215 CPA - professional costs: $99
21-1688	21/01/2022	14/06/2023	Pleaded Guilty	Liverpool LC	Puppy	7	8 x Proprietor/Management not comply with requirement of clause	Convicted CCO: 12 months /001: $1,500 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $5,000 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order: excluding two dogs s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 5 years s215 CPA - costs: $102
21-1689	28/01/2022	15/06/2023	Conviction Appeal Dismissed - Orders varied	Bega DC	Horse	45	1 x Fail to comply with court order 1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 4 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fai lto provide proper and sufficient food	Conviction appeal dismissed Decision of Magistrate confirmed but sentence varied: /001 and /002 sentence commence on 15 March 2023 But in lieu, vary the indicative sentences and NPP periods /001 – ind 3 months /002 – ind 6 months total sentence: 9 months wand NPP of 3.5 months imprisonment exp 30 June 2023 release subject to probation and parole all other orders confirmed /003 - /006 – 3 year CCO quashed and in lieu 12 month CCO condition per Local Court, fine for each sequence ($2000) confirmed Ancillary orders confirmed s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $452 623.36 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal: 21.02.23 order forfeiting horses and ponies to RSPCA s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal: horses and ponies to be disposed of within 28 days of release s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification order: 10 years (horses only) s215 CPA - costs: $23 288.50
21-1690	28/01/2022	12/10/2022	Pleaded Guilty	Downing Centre LC	Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Convicted ICO: 6 months s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $2,383.85 s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification Order: 3 years s215 CPA - costs: $99.00
21-1691	28/01/2022		Ongoing	Manly LC	Horse	1	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Mention 20 July 2023
21-1695	1/02/2022		Withdrawn	Liverpool LC	Pony	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Matter withdrawn due to death of co-defendant
21-1696	7/02/2022	12/08/2022	Pleaded Guilty	Newcastle LC	Dog	1	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted s30A(1) POCTAA costs: $1556.59
21-1697	23/02/2022	5/08/2022	Pleaded Not Guilty	Parramatta LC	Dog	1	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fai lto provide proper and sufficient food	Convicted and fined /001: $1,500 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $3,792.68 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal: Tag No 075 0520 Bull Arab X dog (Bella) forfeited to RSPCA NSW s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 2 years s215 CPA - costs: $99.00
21-1698	23/02/2022	5/08/2022	Pleaded Not Guilty	Parramatta LC	Dog	1	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fai lto provide proper and sufficient food	Convicted and fined /001: $1,500 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $3,792.68 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal: Tag No 075 0520 Bull Arab X dog (Bella) forfeited to RSPCA NSW s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 2 years s215 CPA - costs: $99.00
21-1700	23/02/2022	21/10/2022	Pleaded Not Guilty	Muswellbrook LC	Dog	5	5 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to exercise control 3 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Convicted and fined /002: $1,000 /003: $1,000 /005: $500 /006: $2,000 /007: $500 /008: $500 /009: $500 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal: 28 days to comply s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 5 years s215 CPA - costs: $1,570.93

21-1701	23/02/2022		Ongoing	Katoomba LC	Kangaroo	1	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Ongoing - Hearing part heard 4 & 11 July 2023
21-1707	14/03/2022	12/07/2022	Pleaded Guilty	Toronto LC	Dog	1	4 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fai lto provide proper and sufficient food	Convicted and fined /001: $500 /002: $500 /003: $500 /004: $500 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $7000.00
21-1710	14/03/2022	8/08/2022	Pleaded Guilty	Wagga Wagga LC	Rabbit Dog	4	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fai lto provide proper and sufficient food	Convicted /001: CCO 2 years /002: s10A /003: s10A s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $11,401.44 s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 5 years s215 CPA - costs: $99
21-1717	20/04/2022	25/08/2022	Section 14 Application	Yass LC	Horse	1	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fai lto provide proper and sufficient food	Section 14 application granted CANs /001 - /004 dismissed, defendant discharged pursuant to s 14(1)(a) into the care of (redacted), psychologist, subject to conditions that she comply with treatment plan. s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $23,493.50
21-1719	27/04/2022	28/09/2022	Pleaded Guilty	Albury LC	Horse	1	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fai lto provide proper and sufficient fooc	Convicted s 31(1)(b) disqualification: 5 years - Horses only
21-1720	27/04/2022		Ongoing	Newtown LC	Cat	5	6 x Proprietor/Management not comply with requirement of clause 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - hearng part heard 8 September 2023
21-1721	9/05/2022	4/08/2022	Severity Appeal	Parramatta DC	Dog	1	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Appeal dismissed Aggregate sentence confirmed 10 months, NPP 5 months s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $3,528.06 s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 2 years s215 CPA - costs: $99
21-1723	9/05/2022	27/07/2022	Pleaded Guilty	Griffith LC	Sheep	2	2 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient shelter	Convicted CCO: 12 months /001: $1000 /002: $500 /003: $500 s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 3 years s215 CPA - costs: $99
21-1724	9/05/2022	17/08/2022	Pleaded Guilty	Griffith LC	Dog	5	1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient shelter 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fai lto provide proper and sufficient food	Convicted and fined /001: $500 /002: $500 /005: $250 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal: current animals within 28 days. s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 1 year s215 CPA - costs: $99
21-1725	9/05/2022	17/08/2022	Pleaded Guilty	Liverpool LC	Sheep Duck Goat	11	1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient shelter 4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted /001 to /004 - CCO 2 years /005 - $500 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 5 years s122 Fines Act - majority
21-1726	23/05/2022	13/06/2023	Pleaded Guilty	Bankstown LC	Dog	1	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Convicted CRO: 2-years s30A(1) POCTAA costs: $218.18 s31(1)(a) disposal order: current animals within 28 days. s31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years, sub-s (a)-(d). s215 costs: $99.00
21-1727	23/05/2022	20/07/2022	Pleaded Guilty	Hornsby LC	Dog	1	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CRO - 12 months
21-1729	23/05/2022	21/07/2022	Ex-parte	Blacktown LC	Horse	2	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Authorise carriage of animal unjustifiably inflict pain	Convicted and fined /001: $900 /002: $600 /003: $600 /004: $600 /005: $600 s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 5 years s215 CPA - costs: $99
21-1730	23/05/2022	16/08/2022	Pleaded Guilty	Muswellbrook LC	Dog	1	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient fooc	Convicted CCO - 12 months

21-1731	23/05/2022	3/08/2022	Ex-parte	Liverpool LC	Dog	1	4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted and fined /001: $1200 /002: $1000 /003: $800 /004: $1000 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $4511.85 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 3 years s215 CPA costs: $99
21-1732	2/06/2022	6/12/2022	Ex-parte	Mount Druitt LC	Horse	1	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Convicted and fined /001: $3000 /002: $4400 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $10,264.79 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 3 years s215 CPA - costs: $3469.35
21-1733	2/06/2022	7/07/2022	Ex-parte	Parkes LC	Chicken	5	1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink	Convicted and fined /001: $900 /002: $900 s30A(1) POCTAA costs - $4650 s31(1)(a) POCTAA disposal order s 215 professional costs: $99
21-1734	2/06/2022		Ongoing	Liverpool LC	Chicken Dog	15	4 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink 1 x Tether animal unreasonably short	Ongoing - part heard hearing listed 6 February 2024
21-1735	21/06/2022		Finalised	Hornsby LC	Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Withdrawn - defendant deceased
21-1736	21/06/2022	4/08/2022	Pleaded Guilty	Parkes LC	Cat	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Convicted s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $479 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 2 years s215 CPA - costs: $99
21-1737	21/06/2022	18/08/2022	Ex-parte	Orange LC	Dog	1	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Convicted and fined /001: $220 /002: $220 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $2204.72 s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 10 years s215 CPA - costs: $99
21-1738	21/06/2022	21/07/2022	Pleaded Guilty	Hornsby LC	Dog	3	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to exercise reasonable supervison to prevent an act of cruelty	Convicted and fined /001: $1000 /002: $1000 /003: Dismissed pursuant to s10A s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $3,890.82 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal: 28 days to comply s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 2 years 6 months s215 CPA - costs: $99.00
PROSECUTIONS COMMENCED 2022/2023								
23-1739	6/07/2022	8/09/2022	Pleaded Guilty	Parkes LC	Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Convicted CCO: 12 months /001: $800 /002: $1000 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $5569.80 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 10 years s215 CPA - costs: $102
23-1740	6/07/2022	20/10/2022	Pleaded Guilty	Sutherland LC	Cat	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Convicted and fined /001:- $1500 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $799.04 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 5 years s215 CPA - costs: $102
23-1741	6/07/2022	27/09/2022	Ex-parte	Muswellbrook LC	Dog	1	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted /001: $1000 /002: $1000 /003: $1000 /004 to /006 - CCO 12 months

23-1742	6/07/2022	27/09/2022	Pleaded Guilty	Sutherland LC	Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CCO: 3 years /001 & /002: CCO 3 years plus 70 hours Community Service Work s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $653.07 s215 CPA - costs: $102
23-1743	6/07/2022	15/05/2023	Pleaded Guilty	Campbelltown LC	Cat Bird	9	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CCO: 15 months /001: $978.37 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $2000 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 5 years s215 CPA - costs: $102
23-1744	25/07/2022	26/08/2022	Pleaded Guilty	Downing Centre LC	Cat	7	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CCO: 2 years s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $5607.17 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 5 years s215 CPA - costs: $102
23-1745	25/07/2022	12/10/2022	Pleaded Guilty	Bankstown LC	Cat	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted and fined /001: $300 s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 5 years s215 CPA - costs: $102 s122 Fines Act - moiety
23-1746	25/07/2022	24/08/2022	Pleaded Guilty	Picton LC	Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CCO: 12 months /001: $1000 /003: $1000 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $2496.63 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 3 years s215 CPA - costs: $102
23-1747	25/07/2022		Ongoing	Parramatta LC	Dog	1	4 x Fail to provide reasonable supervision 1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Ongoing - hearing 24 July 2023
23-1748	11/08/2023	16/11/2022	Pleaded Guilty	Belmont LC	Dog	2	1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted ICO: 6 months with 350 hrs Community Service work s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $4812.36 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 2 years s215 CPA - costs: $102
23-1749	11/08/2023	16/12/2022	Ex-parte	Yass LC	Horse	7	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted and fined /001: $1000 /002: $1000 /003: $1000 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $45,652.82 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 5 years s215 CPA - costs: $102
23-1750	11/08/2023	22/02/2023	Pleaded not Guilty	Goulburn LC	Sheep Alpaca Horse	82	2 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment 2 x Fail to comply with court order	Convicted /001 and /003: 9 month ICO /002, /004 and /005: 5 month ICO /006 and /007: 2 year CCO s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal (28 days to comply) s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 5 years
23-1751	11/08/2023	14/09/2022	Pleaded Guilty	Bankstown LC	Dog	1	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted and fined /001: $300 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $5377.19 s215 CPA - costs: $102
23-1752	11/08/2023	27/04/2023	Withdrawn	Hornsby LC	Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Withdrawn - defendant deceased
23-1753	15/08/2022	13/03/2023	Withdrawn	Blacktown LC	Dog	2	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Withdrawn
23-1754	15/08/2022	5/10/2022	Pleaded Guilty	Liverpool LC	Goat	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Convicted /001: 2 year CRO s215 CPA - costs: $99
23-1755	15/08/2022	14/09/2022	Pleaded Guilty	Bankstown LC	Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted and fined /001: $200 /002: $200 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $2787.22 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 2 years s215 CPA - costs: $102 s122 Fines Act - moiety

23-1756	24/08/2022	6/06/2023	Pleaded Guilty	Taree LC	Dog	1	1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted /002A: CCO - 18 months s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $3,519.50 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 5 years s215 CPA - costs: $102.00
23-1757	24/08/2022		Ongoing	Byron Bay LC	Snake	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Ongoing - Hearing 30 January 2024
23-1758	24/08/2022	13/04/2023	Pleaded not Guilty	Bankstown LC	Cat	6	9 x Fail to provide vet treatment 3 x Management not comply with requirement of clause	Convicted CCO: 18months s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $16 391.00 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order: immediate compliance
23-1759	25/08/2022		Ongoing	Broken Hill LC	Dog	11	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Commit an act of cruelty 9 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Section 14 MHCIFPA application 10 August 2023
23-1760	20/09/2022	21/10/2022	Pleaded Guilty	Bankstown LC	Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted /001: CCO - 18 months /002: CCO - 12 Months /003: CCO - 12 Months /004: CCO - 12 Months s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $1472.85 s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 2 years
23-1761	21/09/2022	4/05/2023	Pleaded Guilty	Windsor LC	Horse	10	1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CCO: 6 months
23-1762	21/09/2022	17/11/2022	Pleaded Guilty	Mt Druitt LC	Dog	2	4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CCO: 18 months s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $4420.84 s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 2 years
23-1763	21/09/2022	9/11/2022	Ex-parte	Campbelltown LC	Dog	2	1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 6 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted and fined /001: $800 /002: $800 /003: $800 /004: $800 /005: $800 /006: $800 /007: $800 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $1889.97 s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 10 years
23-1764	21/09/2022		Ongoing	Sutherland LC	Dog Cat	3	1 x Fail to comply with court order prohibiting keeping or involvement with animals	Ongoing - Hearing 13 September 2023
23-1765	21/09/2022	17/01/2023	Pleaded Not Guilty/Section 14 Application	Cessnock LC	Horse	4	1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Dismissed pursuant to s 14(1)(a) MHCIFP Defendant discharged into the care of GP (redacted) on the following conditions: Continue to engage in ongoing mental health care treatment and monitoring by GP and follow all reasonable recommendations for treatment made by him, including re: attendance at appointments, medication, and participation in individual or group therapy. Continue to engage in mental health treatment with Dr (redacted) as directed by her. Accept and follow through with any recommendations or referrals for further treatment made s30A(1) POCTAA costs: 2021 matter: $26,155.23 2022 matter: $5,411.91 s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 5 years, except 2 horses s215 CPA - costs: $99
23-1766	21/09/2022	1/11/2022	Ex-parte		Dog	2	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted and fined /001: $1000 /002: $1000 /003: $1000 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $9505.71 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 3 years

23-1767	21/09/2022	1/11/2022	Ex-parte		Dog	2	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted and fined /001: $1000 /002: $1000 /003: $1000 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $9505.71 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 3 years
23-1768	6/10/2022		Ongoing	Mt Druitt LC	Dog	2	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Hearing 24 August 2023
23-1769	6/10/2022	19/12/2022	Pleaded Guilty	Wollongong LC	Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted ICO: 8 months with 100 hours community service work /001: $500 /002: $500 s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 2 years s215 CPA - costs: $102
23-1770	6/10/2022	19/12/2022	Pleaded Guilty	Wollongong LC	Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted ICO: 8 months with 100 hours community service work /001: $500 /002: $500 s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 2 years s215 CPA - costs: $102
23-1771	6/10/2022	9/11/2022	Ex-parte	Campbelltown LC	Horse	8		Convicted and fined /001: $1000 /002: $1000 /003: $1000 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $4211.60 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 3 years s215 CPA - costs: $102
23-1772	6/10/2022	16/11/2022	Pleaded Guilty	Bankstown LC	Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Convicted and fined /001: $3000 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $5078.60 s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 5 years s215 CPA - costs: $102
23-1773	6/10/2022	2/03/2023	Pleaded Guilty	Campbelltown LC	Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Convicted CRO: 18 months s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 5 years
23-1774	6/10/2022		Ongoing	Campbelltown LC	Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Ongoing - Hearing 16 October 2023
23-1775	7/11/2022	13/04/2023	Pleaded Guilty	Bankstown LC	Dog Cat Bird		1 x Commit an act of cruelty 6 x Fail to provide vet treatment 2 x Fail to comply with disqualification order	Convicted and fined /001A: $500 /003: $2000 /004A: $2000 /007: $2000 /009: $2000 CCO: 18 months s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification order: 5 years s215 CPA - costs: $102
23-1776	7/11/2022	11/01/2023	Pleaded guilty	Forster LC	Dog	1	1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted /002: 12 month CCO /003: 18 month CRO s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order
23-1777	7/11/2022	19/01/2023	Ex-parte	Tamworth LC	Dog	2	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted and fined /001: $1100 /002: 15 month CRO /003: 15 month CRO s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $4595.00 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 5 years s215 CPA - costs: $102

23-1778	7/11/2022	1/06/2023	Pleaded Guilty	Wollongong DC	Dog	2	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Severity appeal allowed in part. Orders of Local Court varied as follows: Conviction confirmed Fine: $3000 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification reduced from 5 years to 3 years. s215 CPA - costs: $102
23-1779	7/11/2022	16/12/2022	Ex-parte	Maitland LC	Dog	1	1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted and fined /001: $750 /002: $1500 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $3382.22 s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 3 years
23-1780	7/11/2022		Ongoing	Fairfield LC	Dog	6	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 9 x Management not comply with requirement of clause 1 x Possess non-prescribed electrical device	Ongoing - Hearing 14 September 2023
23-1781	25/11/2022		Ongoing	Wollongong LC	Cat		2 x Commit an act of cruelty	Ongoing - Section 14 MHCIFPA application 21 September 2023
23-1782	25/11/2022	6/04/2023	Pleaded Guilty	Wollongong LC	Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Convicted and fined /001 - $2000 In addition, 12 month CCO imposed s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 10 years
23-1783	25/11/2022	11/01/2023	Pleaded Guilty	Campbelltown LC	Dog	1	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CCO: 12 months /001: $2000 /002: $2000 /003: $2000 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $3646.23 s215 CPA - costs: $102
23-1784	25/11/2022	1/02/2023	Pleaded Guilty	Liverpool LC	Dog	1	4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CCO - 12 months s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $6852.37 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order s 31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 5 years
23-1785	25/11/2022		Ongoing	Waverely LC	Cat	2	6 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Hearing 25 January 2024
23-1786	25/11/2022		Ongoing	Waverely LC	Cat	2	6 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Hearing 25 January 2024
23-1787	25/11/2022	13/04/2023	Pleaded not Guilty	Bankstown LC	Cat	6	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment 3 x Management not comply with requirement of clause	Convicted CCO: 18 months s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $16,391.00 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order: immediate compliance
23-1788	25/11/2022	28/02/2023	Pleaded guilty	Sutherland LC	Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted /001 to /004: s10A conviction no penalty imposed /005: $5000 fine s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $6,151.31 s215 CPA - costs: $102.00
23-1789	25/11/2022	15/06/2023	Pleaded Guilty	Liverpool LC	Dog	15	4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted and fined: /001A: $1500 CCO: 12 months s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $5,000 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order: excluding two dogs s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 5 years s215 CPA - costs: $102
23-1790	6/12/2022	15/05/2023	Pleaded Guilty	Penrith LC	Horse	2	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Convicted ICO: 14 months s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $250
23-1791	6/12/2022		Ongoing	Dungog LC	Horse	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Ongoing - Sentence 7 August 2023
23-1792	6/12/2022		Ongoing	Windsor LC	Horse	2	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient fooc	Ongoing - Hearing 10 October 2023
23-1793	13/01/2023	19/01/2023	Pleaded Guilty	Campbelltown LC	Dog	2	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CRO: 12 months s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $3,675.62
23-1794	13/01/2023	2/02/2023	Ex-parte	Campbelltown LC	Dog	2	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CCO: 12 months /001: $978.37 s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 3 years

23-1795	13/01/2023		Ongoing	Mt Druitt LC	Dog	1	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Hearing 7 November 2023
23-1796	13/01/2023	9/03/2023	Pleaded Guilty	Parramatta LC	Cat	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	2 year non-conviction bond (s9(1)(b) s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 3 years s215 CPA - costs: $102
23-1797	13/01/2023		Ongoing	Wollongong LC	Cat	48	5 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Section 14MHCIFPA application 21 September 2023
23-1798	13/01/2023	9/03/2023	Pleaded Guilty	Hornsby LC	Dog	1	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted and fined /001: $2200 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $5391.97 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order s31(1)(b) POCTA - disqualification: 3 years s215 CPA - costs: $102
23-1799	13/01/2023	8/03/2023	Ex-parte	Waverely LC	Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to comply with requirement of officer 1 x Hinder/obstruct person exercising power	Convicted and fined /001: $500 /002: $500 /003: $500 /004: $500 /005: $500 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $19,136.70 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 5 years s215 CPA - costs: $102
23-1800	13/01/2023	21/03/2023	Withdrawn	Sutherland LC	Dog	1	2 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Withdrawn
23-1801	13/01/2023	21/03/2023	Withdrawn	Sutherland LC	Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Withdrawn
23-1802	13/01/2023	19/04/2023	Pleaded Guilty	Cowra LC	Dog	1	5 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Convicted and fined /001: $400 /002 - /004: s10A convicted no further penalty /005: $500 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $1000 s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 10 years s215 CPA - costs: $102
23-1803	13/01/2023	9/03/2023	Pleaded Guilty	Campbelltown LC	Cat	1	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CCO: 15 months s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $727 s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 2 years s215 CPA - costs: $102
23-1804	13/01/2023	17/04/2023	Ex-parte	Moree LC	Dog	3	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment 2 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 1 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient shelter	Convicted and fined /001A: $1200 /004A: $1200 /006: $600 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $6776.23 s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 2 years s215 CPA - costs: $102.00
23-1805	13/01/2023	28/04/2023	Section 14 - Dismissed	Campbelltown LC	Dog	1	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Convicted CRO: 18 months s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $700 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 2 years s215 CPA - costs: $102
23-1806	7/02/2023	17/02/2023	Ex-parte	Yass LC	Dog	2	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient shelter 1 x Tether animal with unreasonably short tether	Convicted and fined /001: $6000 /002: $4000 /003: $2000 /004: $3000 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $3979.90 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 5 years s215 CPA - costs: $102
23-1807	7/02/2023	9/03/2023	Pleaded Guilty	Parramatta LC	Dog	1	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Convicted CCO: 12 months s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $700 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 2 years s215 CPA - costs: $102
23-1808	14/03/2023	18/05/2023	Pleaded Guilty	Cooma LC	Pony	1	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Abandon Animal	Convicted CCO: 12 months /002: $2000 /003: $2000 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $4218.45 s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 5 years

23-1809	22/03/2023	1/05/2023	Pleaded Guilty	Downing Centre LC	Dog	1	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink	Convicted and fined /001: $750 /002: $500 /003: $500 /004: $750 s30A(1) POCTAA - costs: $4373.66 s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order
23-1810	22/03/2023		Ongoing	Singleton LC	Pony	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Ongoing - Hearing 22 September 2023
23-1811	22/03/2023		Ongoing	Sutherland LC	Dog	1	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Hearing 20 December 2023
23-1812	22/03/2023		Ongoing	Sutherland LC	Dog	1	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Hearing 20 December 2023
23-1813	22/03/2023		Ongoing	Burwood LC	Dog	1	2 x Commit an act of cruelty	Ongoing - Hearing 4 December 2023
23-1814	22/03/2023		Ongoing	Parramatta LC	Dog	1	4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Sentence on 19 July 2023
23-1815	22/03/2023		Ongoing	Moree LC	Dog	1	6 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to comply with requirement under sub 1	Ongoing - Hearing 5 December 2023
23-1816	22/03/2023		Ongoing	Moree LC	Dog	1	6 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to comply with requirement under sub 1 1 x Hinder/obstruct person exercising authority	Ongoing - Hearing 5 December 2023
23-1817	22/03/2023		Ongoing	Manly LC	Cat	6	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient fooc	Ongoing - Hearing 23 November 2023
23-1818	20/02/2023		Ongoing	Parramatta LC	Dog	5	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 4 x Tether animal with unreasonably short tether 4 x Proprietor not comply with requirements of clause	Ongoing - Sentence 9 August 2023
23-1819	20/02/2023		Ongoing	Windsor LC	Horse	1	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Hearing 26 March 2024
23-1820	18/04/2023		Ongoing	Taree LC	Horse	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Ongoing - Hearing 12 December 2023
23-1821	19/04/2023		Ongoing	Burwood LC	Cat Dog Bird	35	6 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Hinder/obstruct person exercising authority 2 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 2 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Fail to provide exercise to confined anima	Ongoing - Hearing 8 February 2024
23-1822	19/04/2023		Ongoing	Parramatta DC	Cat	4	4 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to comply with disqualification order	Ongoing - Severity appeal 17 August 2023
23-1823	19/04/2023	31/05/2023	Pleaded Guilty	Bankstown LC	Cat	17	5 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CCO: 12 months /001: $500 /002: $200 /003: $200 s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 2 years s215 CPA - costs: $102
23-1824	19/04/2023		Ongoing		Cat	32	7 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Reply to Brief 30 August 2023
23-1825	19/04/2023		Ongoing		Cat	32	7 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Reply to Brief 30 August 2023
23-1826	4/05/2023		Ongoing	Wyong LC	Horse	2	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient fooc	Ongoing - Mention 16 August 2023
23-1827	4/05/2023		Ongoing	Wyong LC	Horse	2	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient fooc	Ongoing - Mention 16 August 2023
23-1828	4/05/2023		Ongoing	Campbelltown LC	Dog	1	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Hearing 11 August 2023
23-1829	4/05/2023	8/06/2023	Pleaded Guilty	Campbelltown CC	Cat	2	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted s33(1)(b) *Children (Criminal Proceedings) Act 1987* (NSW): 9 months s31(1)(a) POCTAA - disposal order s31(1)(b) POCTAA - disqualification: 3 years
23-1830	4/05/2023		Ongoing	Campbelltown LC	Cat	5	6 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Hearing 11 August 2023
23-1831	4/05/2023		Ongoing	Campbelltown LC	Dog	1	4 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Ongoing - Hearing 3 April 2024
23-1832	11/05/2023		Ongoing	Parramatta LC	Dog Cat Bird Fish	12	6 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 2 x Commit an act of cruelty	Ongoing - Mention 24 August 2023
23-1833	11/05/2023		Ongoing	Mt Druitt LC	Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Ongoing - Hearing 16 August 2023
23-1834	24/05/2023		Ongoing	Newtown LC	Dog	9	3 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Advertise dog for sale, not include required information 1 x Give false or misleading microchip identification numbe	Ongoing - Hearing 4 April 2024
23-1835	24/05/2023		Ongoing	Fairfield LC	Dog	3	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Mention 29 August 2023
23-1836	24/05/2023		Ongoing	Downing Centre DC	Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Severity Appeal 19 September 2023
23-1837	24/05/2023		Ongoing	Penrith LC	Dog Cat	20	4 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient fooc	Ongoing - Mention 10 August 2023

23-1838	24/05/2023		Ongoing	Parramatta LC	Cat	9	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment 2 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Confine animal in cage dimensions inadequate for exercise 1 x Give false or misleading microchip identification number	Ongoing - Mention 10 August 2023
23-1839	6/06/2023		Ongoing	Cessnock LC	Dog	1	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Ongoing - Mention 27 July 2023
23-1840	6/06/2023		Ongoing	Penrith LC	Dog	7	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Sentence 24 August 2023
23-1841	6/06/2023		Ongoing	Windsor LC	Dog	1	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Sentence 10 August 2023
23-1842	21/06/2023		Ongoing	Penrith LC	Horse	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Mention 27 July 2023
23-1843	21/06/2023		Ongoing	Penrith LC	Dog	3	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Tether animal for unreasonable length of time	Ongoing - Mention 20 July 2023
23-1844	21/06/2023		Ongoing	Armidale LC	Dog	1	4 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Tether animal for unreasonable length of time 1 x Tether unreasonably short	Ongoing - Mention 14 August 2023
23-1845	21/06/2023		Ongoing	Armidale LC	Dog	1	4 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Tether animal for unreasonable length of time 1 x Tether unreasonably short	Ongoing - Mention 14 August 2023

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Submitted in accordance with section 34B(3) of the *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979* (NSW)

Information pursuant to clause 34 of the *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Regulation 2012* (NSW):

(a) a statement of the number of, and a summary of the substance of, complaints relating to animal cruelty or mistreatment received by the organisation:

Between 1 July 2023 and 30 June 2024, RSPCA NSW received a total of 17,436 complaints alleging cruelty to animals contrary to the *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979* (NSW) (**the Act**) and/or the *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Regulation 2012* (NSW) (**the regulations**). These complaints often involved more than one animal and multiple complaint types.

A breakdown of the species of animal and type of complaint can be found in *Appendix 1 - Complaint Codes - 2023/2024*.

(b) a statement of the number of visits or investigations made by appointed officers employed by the organisation as a result of those complaints:

Of the 17,436 complaints received, RSPCA NSW investigated 17,093 complaints (an average of 65.7 jobs per day). The investigation of these complaints involved 17,093 initial inspections and a further 6,596 revisits. Revisits were generally conducted to inspect subject animals and assess compliance with either written or verbal directions.

RSPCA NSW referred 112 (0.6%) complaints to the NSW Police Force for investigation in the first instance. The referrals were made based on the urgent nature of the animal welfare concern and proximity of the nearest RSPCA Inspector. In relation to the complaints attended by NSW Police, a proportion were referred back to the RSPCA for revisit or follow up inspection.

RSPCA NSW referred 16 complaints to the Animal Welfare League NSW during 2023-2024.

RSPCA NSW referred 7 complaints to other agencies as the allegation fell outside RSPCA NSW jurisdiction.

A total of 208 complaints were logged for intelligence purposes only as there was information alleging one or more offence within RSPCA NSW jurisdiction, but insufficient information to determine or identify a person of interest.

(c) a statement of the number of visits or investigations made by appointed officers employed by the organisation that were unrelated to those complaints (such as routine inspections of abattoirs, veterinary practices, pet shops or saleyards):

RSPCA NSW's AnimalOS database does not have the capacity to distinguish between cruelty complaints and 'routine' (proactive) inspections conducted on animal trades under the provisions of section 24G of the Act.

Data is captured separately to record the number of 'routine' inspections conducted by the RSPCA NSW Inspectorate. A summary of the 210 'routine' inspections conducted during 2023/2024 is tabled below. These figures for 'routine' inspections are not included in *Appendix 1 - Complaint Codes - 2023/2024.*

Please note that the capacity to conduct 'routine' inspections is dependent on available resources, with the investigation of animal cruelty complaints taking priority.

ROUTINE INSPECTIONS CONDUCTED 2023/2024		
Animal Trade	**Routine Inspections Conducted 2023/2024**	**Cruelty Complaints** *(as recorded in Appendix 1)*
Agricultural Show	25	
Boarding Facility	13	1,920
Breeding Facility	90	
Campdrafting	2	
Dog Grooming	4	
Horse Riding Facility	0	6
Marine Park	1	
Feedlot	2	7
Filming Facility	2	
Pet Shop	34	719
Zoo	0	
Poultry Farm	0	7
Pound	3	
Rescue Group	0	
Restaurant	1	
Rodeo	13	3
Saleyard	20	5
Total	**210**	**2,667**

(d) a statement of the number of persons officially cautioned by appointed officers employed by the organisation:

Official Cautions issued by RSPCA NSW in accordance with the *Fines Act 1996* (NSW) are issued by the Chief Inspector or Deputy Chief Inspector. During the reporting period, RSPCA NSW issued 14 Official Cautions.

In relation to the number of persons counselled or advised by appointed officers of RSPCA NSW (cl 34(1)(b) of the regulations), that figure could only be estimated by reviewing the visit reports associated with each of the 17,093 investigated complaints, which is beyond the organisation's capacity. In practice, RSPCA NSW Inspectors provide verbal advice as part of the investigation of most complaints. In addition, Inspectors regularly provide educational materials to animal trade operators in the form of NSW DPI resources, printed copies of relevant Codes of Practice, and verbal guidance in respect of animal welfare.

(e) a statement of the number of notices issued by appointed officers employed by the organisation under section 24N of the Act:

During the reporting period, RSPCA NSW issued 1,237 written directions pursuant to section 24N of the Act.

(f) a statement of the number of penalty notices issued by appointed officers employed by the organisation:

During the reporting period, RSPCA NSW issued a total of 84 Penalty Infringement Notices.

(g) a statement of the number of proceedings for offences under the Act or the regulations that were instituted by appointed officers employed by the organisation, together with details of the defendants and the charges:

RSPCA NSW commenced 96 criminal prosecutions during the period 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024. A total of 96 defendants were prosecuted for offences involving 1,928 animals.

Details of the matters, charges and outcomes can be found in *Appendix 2 - Prosecution Results - 2023/2024*.

(h) details of the outcome of such of those proceedings as had been finally determined as at the date of the report:

Of the 96 prosecutions commenced during the reporting period, 48 had been finalised as at 30 June 2024, while 48 were still pending final determination.

Of the 48 prosecutions finalised:

- 28 were determined following a plea of guilty,
- 13 were heard and determined in the accused's absence pursuant to section 190 or 196 of the *Criminal Procedure Act 1986* (NSW),
- 4 were withdrawn, and

- 3 were dealt with pursuant to section 14 of the *Mental Health and Cognitive Impairment Forensic Provisions Act 2020* (NSW).

A detailed report outlining the defendants, species involved, final charges and court outcomes can be found in *Appendix 2 - Prosecution Results - 2023/2024.*

(i) details of the outcome of such proceedings for offences as were referred to in the immediately previous report but not finally determined as at the date of that report:

Prosecutions can take several years to finalise. In the 2023/2024 reporting period, 46 matters from previous financial years were concluded:

- 2017/2018 matters – 1 finalised
- 2020/2021 matters – 1 finalised
- 2021/2022 matters – 4 finalised
- 2022/2023 matters – 40 finalised

12 matters from previous financial years were still pending final determination as at 30 June 2024:

- 2020/2021 matters – 1 ongoing
- 2021/2022 matters – 4 ongoing
- 2022/2023 matters – 7 ongoing

A detailed report outlining the defendants, species involved, final charges and court outcomes can be found in *Appendix 2 - Prosecution Results - 2023/2024.*

(j) a list, current as at the date of the report, of the appointed officers employed by the organisation, together with any changes made to that list since the immediately previous report:

As at 30 June 2024, RSPCA NSW had a total of 53 appointed officers. Of those 53 officers, 50 are holders of a prescribed authority under the provisions of Part 2A of the Act, issued with the approval of the Minister for the Department of Primary Industries. Two officers were awaiting their prescribed authority issued from the Minister.

1. [redacted] Chief Inspector
2. Deputy Chief Inspector
3. Regional Team Leader
4. Regional Team Leader
5. Sydney Region Team Leader
6. Sydney Region Acting Team Leader
7. Sydney Region Team Leader
8. Breeding Compliance Unit Team Leader
9. Brief Handling Officer/Sydney Region Inspector
10. Digital Intelligence Officer/Sydney Region Inspector
11. Community/Regional Inspector
12. Sydney Region Inspector
13. Sydney Region Inspector

14. [redacted] Sydney Region Inspector
15. [redacted] Sydney Region Inspector
16. [redacted] Sydney Region Inspector
17. [redacted] Sydney Region Inspector
18. [redacted] Sydney Region Inspector
19. [redacted] Sydney Region Inspector
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27. [redacted] Regional Inspector
28. [redacted] Regional Inspector
29. [redacted] Regional Inspector
30. [redacted] Regional Inspector
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46. [redacted] Regional Inspector
47. [redacted] Regional Inspector
48. [redacted] Regional Inspector
49. [redacted] Regional Inspector
50. [redacted] Regional Inspector
51. [redacted] Regional Inspector
52. [redacted] Regional Inspector
53. [redacted] Regional Inspector

Changes in appointed officers since last report:

- [redacted]
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(k) details of any complaints received by the organisation in relation to its activities (or those of its officers) under the Act, including details as to the resolution of those complaints and of the disciplinary action (if any) taken against any person as a result of those complaints:

1.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a person of interest (POI) in regard to the manner in which an Inspector had spoken. Specifically, the POI alleged the Inspector was rude and intimidating.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, including a review of body worn camera footage, circumstances, multiple conversations with the POI and review of the conversation recording illegally taken by the POI, this complaint was found to be unsubstantiated.
2.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a Regional Council stating an RSPCA NSW Inspector had agreed to transport 2 dogs that were seized by NSW Police to an RSPCA NSW facility from the Council Animal Facility.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, information from the Inspector and NSW Police, the complaint was found to be unsubstantiated. NSW Police did

		not go ahead with a prosecution and the dogs needed to be returned to the owner which would need to be facilitated by Council and Police.
3.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a MOP in regard to an Inspector not attending to a cruelty complaint to their satisfactory.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, including review of body worn camera footage, photos and notebook entries, the complaint was found to be unsubstantiated.
4.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a MOP in regard to an Inspector seizing a bird.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, information from the Inspector and a review of the details, it was determined that the complainant was not related to the job, seizure, POI or location and as such no information about the circumstances could be given to the complainant. After reviewing the Inspectors actions in seizing the bird the complaint was found to be unsubstantiated.
5.	Complaint	A complaint was received in regard an Inspector not seizing a dog that an informant deemed as abandoned.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, review of job details, notebook entries and actions by the Inspector it was determined that this complaint was unsubstantiated.
6.	Complaint	A complaint was received in regard to the way an Inspector spoke to an Informant, allegedly yelling and speaking in an unprofessional matter.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, review of job details, notebook entries and actions by the Inspector it was determined that this complaint was unsubstantiated.
7.	Complaint	A complaint was received in regard to the way an Inspector had parked on a POI's property and alleging the Inspector had spoken in a rude and aggressive manner.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, review of job details, notebook entries and actions by the Inspector it was determined that this complaint was unsubstantiated.
8.	Complaint	A complaint was received in regard to the way an Inspector spoke to a POI, allegedly becoming aggressive and speaking in an unprofessional matter.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, review of job details, notebook entries and actions by the Inspector it was determined that this complaint was unsubstantiated.
9.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a POI alleging an Inspector had transported horses that were unfit for transport.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, review of job details, notebook entries and actions by the Inspector it was determined that this complaint was unsubstantiated. A vet had determined the horses were fit for transport.
10.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a POI alleging an Inspector was harassing them by attending their property to check the welfare of horses on a couple of occasions.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, review of job details, notebook entries and actions by the Inspector it was determined that this complaint was unsubstantiated.

11.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a POI alleging an Inspector was harassing them and threatening them by attending their property to check the welfare of horses on a couple of occasions.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, review of job details, notebook entries, actions by the Inspector and reviewing the veterinary advice it was determined that this complaint was unsubstantiated.
12.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a POI alleging an Inspector had entered their home with an invalid warrant.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, review of job details, notebook entries, actions by the Inspector and the warrant that was issued, it was determined that this complaint was unsubstantiated.
13.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a POI alleging an Inspector provoked their dogs to bark and become unsettled.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, review of job details, notebook entries, actions by the Inspector and reviewing the CCTV it was determined that this complaint was unsubstantiated.
14.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a POI alleging RSPCA NSW was keeping their animal for no reason, alleging abuse of powers.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, review of job details, notebook entries, actions by the Inspector and reviewing the POCTAA it was determined that this complaint was unsubstantiated.
15.	Complaint	A complaint was received from an informant, alleging an Inspector had given their details to a POI.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, review of job details, notebook entries, actions by the Inspector it was determined that this complaint was unsubstantiated.
16.	Complaint	A complaint was received alleging an Inspector had walked a dog in a manner that affected the dog's behaviour.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, review of job details, notebook entries and discussions with other Inspectors that were present it was determined that this complaint was unsubstantiated.
17.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a POI in regard to Inspectors seizing their dogs and not providing an explanation of how or why the seizure took place and not providing any documentation to advise which dogs were seized.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, review of job details, notebook entries, body worn camera footage and discussions with other Inspectors that were present it was determined that this complaint was unsubstantiated.
18.	Complaint	A complaint was received from an informant in regard to an Inspector not conducting an investigation into a cruelty complaint to their satisfaction.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, review of job details, notebook entries, body worn camera footage and discussions with the Inspector that attended to the cruelty complaint it was determined that this complaint was unsubstantiated.
19.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a MOP alleging fraudulent business dealings by an Inspector.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, it was determined that this matter was not related to RSPCA NSW and was a personal matter which took place in

		an Inspectors personal time outside of RSPCA NSW work. RSPCA NSW formed a view that this matter was to be dealt with by the Inspector. RSPCA NSW has no jurisdiction over the allegations made.
20.	Complaint	A complaint was received from an informant alleging an Inspector had not conducted an investigation a cruelty complaint properly in regards to a dog that was tethered.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, review of job details, notebook entries, body worn camera footage and discussions with the Inspector that attended to the cruelty complaint it was determined that this complaint was unsubstantiated.
21.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a Regulatory Services Coordinator at a local council in regard to the RSPCA's handling of their complaint against an Inspector.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, RSPCA NSW escalated the concerns to the Manager of Environment and Regulatory Services at the council, where discussions took place in regard to process and procedure of seized animals and to better the working relationship with this council. The allegations of the coordinator were unsubstantiated.
22.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a local council in regard to an Inspectors behaviour toward council staff, alleging aggressive and threatening behaviour.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, review of job details, notebook entries and discussions with the Inspector that attended to the cruelty complaint it was determined that this complaint was unsubstantiated.
23.	Complaint	A complaint was received from an informant in regard to an Inspector not conducting an investigation into a cruelty complaint to their satisfaction in regard to 4 dogs on tethers.
	Outcome	After an investigation into this complaint, review of job details, notebook entries, body worn camera footage and discussions with the Inspector that attended to the cruelty complaint it was determined that this complaint was unsubstantiated.

(l) details of the training provided by the organisation for its officers:

The following table details the training provided by RSPCA NSW for its officers over the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024.

Date	Course	Attendees
3 July 2023	First Aid	8
Ongoing	Receiving & Attending to Complaints – In field	21
August to December 2023	Internal Systems – AnimalOS, SAP Concur	20
August to December 2023	Standard Operating Procedures	20
August to December 2023	POCTAA, POCTAR & Codes	20

August to December 2023	Notebooks	20
August to December 2023	Complaint Management	20
August to December 2023	Inspectorate Equipment	20
August to December 2023	Emergency Procedures	20
August to December 2023	Enforcement Avenues	20
August to December 2023	SEINS	17
13 November 2023	Firearms Training	5
22 November 2023	Firearms Training	18
28 November 2023	Humane Euthanasia Training Course	8
22 January 2024	First Aid	2
8 February 2024	Animal First Aid	2
11 March 2024	Tactical Awareness	17
12 March 2024	Batons & Handcuffs	17
13 March 2024	Batons & Handcuffs	13
14 March 2024	Tactical Awareness	14
19 March 2024	Tactical Awareness	8
20 March 2024	Batons & Handcuffs	10
9 April 2024	Equine Training	5
10 April 2024	Legal Training	53
11 April 2024	Large Animal Rescue	23
29 April 2024	Batons & Handcuffs	15
3 June 2024	Aggressive Dog Training	18
5 June 2024	Aggressive Dog Training	10
6 June 2024	Aggressive Dog Training	18
20 June 2024	Coxswain Course	3

(m) the following information about access applications made to the organisation under the *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009*—

i. the number of access applications:

RSPCA NSW received 20 requests for information under the GIPA Act over the 2023/2024 reporting period. Of those, 7 were formal access applications and 13 were processed as informal requests.

ii. the subject matter to which each access application related:

#	Ref.	Subject Matter	Application Type
1	GIPA23/002	Details of cruelty complaints made against applicant	Informal request
2	GIPA23/003	Details of informant(s) that made cruelty complaints against applicant	Access application
3	GIPA23/004	Details of cruelty complaints made against applicant, informant name(s), and investigation outcomes	Access application
4	GIPA23/005	Details of cruelty complaint made against applicant and investigation outcome	Access application
5	GIPA23/006	Details of cruelty complaint (excluding informant information) made against client and investigation outcome	Informal request
6	GIPA23/007	Details of cruelty complaints made against applicant, investigation outcomes, and all RSPCA communications with applicant and/or other parties	Access application
7	GIPA23/008	Body-worn camera footage from premises inspection	Informal request
8	GIPA23/009	Results of observation of NPWS wild horse aerial shooting program at Kosciuszko National Park	Informal request
9	GIPA24/001	Details of cruelty complaints made against applicant (and/or other residents of applicant's property) and all related information from November 2021 onward	Access application
10	GIPA24/002	All correspondence between RSPCA inspectors and officials of Rodeo Association of Moruya Inc or Australian Bushmen's Campdraft & Rodeo Association regarding 2023 New Year's Day Moruya Rodeo event and PINs issued	Access application
11	GIPA24/003	Details of cruelty complaint made against applicant and any related information available	Informal request
12	GIPA24/004	Details of cruelty complaint made against applicant	Informal request
13	GIPA24/005	Details of cruelty complaint made against applicant and investigation outcome	Informal request
14	GIPA24/006	Details of cruelty complaint made against applicant, informant name(s), and all related information	Informal request
15	GIPA24/007	Investigation outcomes regarding Bourke Shire Council treatment of impounded animals	Informal request

16	GIPA24/008	All information held about applicant	Informal request
17	GIPA24/009	All information held about applicant	Informal request
18	GIPA24/010	Unredacted details of cruelty complaint made against applicant	Access application
19	GIPA24/011	Details of informant(s) that made cruelty complaint made against applicant	Informal request
20	GIPA24/012	Details of cruelty complaint made against applicant and investigation outcome	Informal request
		Informal requests for information	**13**
		Access applications	**7**
		TOTAL	**20**

(n) details of the number of complaints made under the *Ombudsman Act 1974* about the organisation and appointed officers employed by the organisation, and the outcome of the complaints:

RSPCA NSW was not notified of any complaints made under the *Ombudsman Act 1974* regarding the organisation or its appointed officers in the 2023/2024 reporting period.

(o) a list of current memorandums of understanding or other service-level agreements, however described, between the organisation and the State or another approved charitable organisation:

RSPCA NSW has an MoU or SLA with the following organisations:

- NSW Police
- Revenue NSW
- Department of Primary Industries
- Office of the Childrens Guardian

This report has been completed and submitted by Scott Meyers, Chief Inspector, RSPCA NSW, in accordance with clause 34 of the *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Regulation 2012* (NSW).

Scott Meyers
Chief Inspector
RSPCA NSW

Date submitted: 27 September 2024

APPENDIX 1 - RSPCA NSW INSPECTORATE - Cruelty Complaints by Animal Types and Complaint Codes - 2023-2024

Total number of cruelty complaints received was 17,436. This table analyses complaints by Complaint Code (may be multiple codes in a single complaint) and animal type (may be multiple animal types in a single complaint) - this method results in a total of 37,484 complaints and 42,924 species.

Animal Type ► / Complaint Code ▼	Bird	Cat	Cattle	Crab & Fish	Dog	Exotic Species	Fowl	Goat	Horse	Insect/ Arachnid	Native	Other Farm	Other Mammals	Pig	Reptile & Amphibian	Sheep	Small Pet	Other	Total species per Code	Total complaints per Code
Abandoned	54	541	6	11	1323	3	49	14	31	1	8	3	0	5	10	17	41	4	2,121	1,876
Animal Park Insp	0	0	2	0	1	1	1	3	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	13	6
Breeder	46	705	7	13	1239	3	30	7	21	1	7	2	0	6	8	7	46	2	2,150	1,920
Bushfire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Circus Insp	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cock Fighting	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Concern For Welfare	247	913	219	31	4422	22	125	119	453	0	86	64	2	26	21	198	168	38	7,154	6,392
Dead	81	120	81	16	276	5	39	30	37	0	37	19	0	13	4	107	45	7	917	707
Dog Fighting	0	2	0	0	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	28	25
Drought	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Exercise Inadequate	0	10	1	0	93	0	2	0	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	114	98
Exposed To Heat	16	15	4	0	166	1	6	5	20	0	0	1	0	2	1	6	13	0	256	242
Feedlot Insp	0	0	3	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	9	7
Food & Water	207	1481	450	22	6222	19	189	172	771	0	46	78	0	42	28	274	190	15	10,206	8,842
Greyhound Complaint	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	8	5
Hoarding	9	59	1	0	48	1	6	3	5	0	3	0	0	1	0	2	13	1	152	86
Ill Treatment	84	267	17	9	1657	4	31	14	32	0	52	4	0	6	6	12	38	10	2,243	2,042
Kennel Inspection	0	5	0	0	45	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	53	48
Killed	1	4	0	2	9	0	4	1	2	0	1	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	28	21
Locked In Car	0	3	0	0	31	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	37	34
Locked In House	1	12	0	1	52	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	70	63
Locked In Shed	3	9	0	0	40	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	54	49
Locked In Shop	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
Locked In Small Pen	164	251	50	18	1682	10	107	35	82	0	31	14	1	17	6	50	95	10	2,623	2,149
Organised Cruelty	3	5	0	0	9	0	0	1	0	0	5	1	0	2	0	2	1	1	30	27
Other	32	110	11	5	409	6	15	8	30	4	12	5	0	4	12	13	26	17	719	653
Overcrowded	16	32	8	7	49	3	15	3	8	0	4	2	0	1	1	6	21	0	176	107
Pet Shop	61	226	1	25	447	2	19	3	6	1	4	1	0	1	4	2	42	6	851	719
Poisoning	10	9	0	0	23	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	47	45
Poultry Insp	1	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	7
Premises Insp	6	37	7	4	93	0	8	8	6	0	2	1	0	3	0	4	14	4	197	157
Req Rescue	7	10	6	0	9	2	4	9	2	0	20	2	2	0	0	3	1	2	79	82
Riding Sch Insp	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	9	6
Rodeo Insp	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
Sale Yard Insp	1	0	0	0	2	0	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	8	5
Shelter Inadequate	51	158	103	2	1849	5	53	82	257	0	10	35	0	17	3	103	49	7	2,784	2,535
Stable Insp	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4
Tied Continually	72	121	29	8	1797	7	44	50	56	0	12	4	0	11	4	35	37	5	2,292	1,982
Transport Unsatisfactory	0	0	5	0	4	0	2	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	5	0	0	20	20
Unattended 24hrs	57	517	8	11	1656	4	51	13	33	0	4	3	0	5	9	18	38	3	2,430	2,136
Vet Treatment	145	908	230	16	2532	20	80	76	449	0	75	71	3	17	6	291	89	20	5,028	4,381
Total	**1,375**	**6,531**	**1,252**	**201**	**26,217**	**119**	**891**	**660**	**2,322**	**7**	**426**	**314**	**8**	**182**	**123**	**1,164**	**977**	**155**	**42,924**	**37,484**

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Pending
Finalised
Withdrawn

[1]All charges under *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979* unless otherwise specified.
[2]All ancillary orders under *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979* unless otherwise specified.

Standard conditions of Conditional Release Orders and Community Correction Orders:
1. Must not commit any offence
2. Must appear before the court if called on to do so at any time during the term of the order

Standard conditions of Intensive Correction Orders:
1. Must not commit any offence
2. Must submit to supervision by a community corrections officer

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1	17-1286	12/10/2017	13/12/2023	Found guilty after hearing (x2). Conviction & severity appeal to DC (x1) and NSWSC (x2). RSPCA appeal to COA (x1). Second conviction appeal withdrawn; NSWSC severity appeal allowed.	Campbelltown LC Campbelltown DC NSW Supreme Court NSW Supreme Court of Appeal	[redacted]	Dog	1	*Crimes Act 1900* 1 x Torture, beat etc and seriously injure animal, s 530(1) 1 x Torture, beat etc and cause death of animal, s 530(1)	Conviction appeal withdrawn and dismissed LC convictions confirmed Leave for severity appeal granted (not opposed) Severity appeal allowed, LC sentence set aside In lieu: Intensive Correction Order (**ICO**) - 2 years aggregate - standard & additional condititions Additional condition: Participate in rehabilitation program directed to anger management Indicative sentences: 20 months (/001) and 18 months (/002) No further order as to costs	2017/18
2	21-1595	1/02/2021	20/10/2023	LC: Breach of CCO established; re-sentenced. DC: Section 14 application & conviction appeal dismissed. Severity appeal allowed.	Bankstown LC Parramatta DC		Cat	7	4 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Finalised concurrently with 23-1822 Application under s 14 *Mental Health and Cognitive Impairment Forensic Provisions Act 2020* (**MHCIFP Act**) dismissed; conviction appeal dismissed LC convictions confirmed Severity appeal allowed, LC sentence set aside In lieu: Community Correction Order (**CCO**) - 3 years - standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Supervision by Bankstown community corrections (**CC**) officer; report within 7 days; comply with conditions of supervision plan s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years	2020/21
3	21-1617	7/04/2021		Found guilty after hearing. Failed to appear for sentencing.	Wollongong LC		Cat	60	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 6 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 6 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - s 25(2) warrant for arrest for sentencing issued 16/06/2023	2020/21
4	21-1672	29/11/2021	7/12/2023	Found guilty in absence	Manly LC		Horse	1	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	19/12/2022: s 31(4) POCTAA - interim disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody 7/12/2023: Finalised concurrently with 21-1691 & 23-1817 Convicted CCO - 12 months - standard & additional condtions Additional condition: Attend GP within 7 days to obtain mental health care plan s 30A costs: $27,239.27 s 215 *Criminal Procedure Act 1986* (**CPA**) costs: $99.00	2021/22

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5	21-1675	7/12/2021		LC: Pleaded guilty. DC: Severity appeal filed. Plea traversal sought; matter retured to LC. LC: Plea traversal hearing ongoing.	Campbelltown LC Campbelltown DC	[redacted]	Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Plea traversal hearing listed 6/02/2025	2021/22
6	21-1680	20/12/2021	17/08/2023	LC: Section 14 application granted. DC: Severity appeal allowed.	Cessnock LC Newcastle DC		Horse	3	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Finalised concurrently with 23-1765 Severity appeal allowed in part s 31(1)(b) POCTAA disqualification order set aside LC orders otherwise confirmed: s 14(1)(a) MHCIFP Act - charges dismissed and defendant conditionally discharged into care of GP Conditions: Continue to engage in ongoing mental health care treatment and monitoring by GP and follow all reasonable recommendations for treatment made by him, including re: attendance at appointments, medication, and participation in individual or group therapy; continue to engage in mental health treatment with psychologist as directed by her; accept and follow through with any recommendations or referrals for further treatment made by either psychologist or GP. s 30A costs: $26,155.23	2021/22
7	21-1685	18/01/2022	30/11/2023	Found guilty in absence	Liverpool LC		Cat Dog	35	3 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 2 x Commit an act of cruelty 12 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink	Convicted /001, /002 & /003 - CCO - 12 months - standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Report to Sydney CC office within 7 days; undertake mental health treatment programs as recommended by CC /004 to /018 inclusive - Fined $500.00 per offence ($7,500.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 10 years s 30A costs: $50,000.00 s 215 CPA costs: $7,679.10 s 122 *Fines Act 1996* (**FA**): Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2021/22
8	21-1691	28/01/2022	7/12/2023	Found guilty in absence	Manly LC		Horse	1	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	19/12/2022: s 31(5) interim disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody 7/12/2023: Finalised concurrently with 21-1672 & 23-1817 Convicted CCO - 12 months - standard & additional condtions Additional condition: Attend GP within 7 days to obtain mental health care plan s 30A costs: $29,822.68 s 215 CPA costs: $99.00	2021/22
9	21-1701	23/02/2022		Summary hearing ongoing	Katoomba LC		Kangaroo	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Part-heard - Hearing listed 29/10/2024 (Day 5)	2021/22

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10	21-1720	27/04/2022		LC: Found guilty after hearing. DC: Conviction appeal ongoing.	Newtown LC	[redacted]	Cat	5	6 x Proprietor/management not comply with requirements of clause 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Conviction appeal listed 9/12/2024	2021/22
11	21-1734	2/06/2022		Summary hearing ongoing	Liverpool LC		Fowl Dog	101	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 4 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink 1 x Tether animal with unreasonably short tether	Ongoing - Part-heard - Hearing listed 9/12/2024 (Day 3)	2021/22
12	23-1747	25/07/2022	24/07/2023	Pleaded guilty	Parramatta LC		Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Convicted CCO - 15 months - standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Supervision by Parramatta CC office; report to Parramatta CC office within 24 hours s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 215 CPA costs: $5,155.40	2022/23
13	23-1757	24/08/2022	30/01/2024	Found guilty after hearing	Byron Bay LC		Snake	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Convicted CCO - 2 years - standard conditions Fined $11,000.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2022/23
14	23-1759	25/08/2022	11/03/2024	LC: Pleaded guilty. Section 14 application dismissed. DC: Severity appeal dismissed.	Broken Hill LC Broken Hill DC		Dog	13	5 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Severity appeal dismissed Term of LC orders varied to account for 1 month served before stay imposed on appeal: /010 - ICO - 6 months - standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Engage with GP or their delegate for the purpose of psychological treatment; engage and be compliant with such psychological treatment as directed by GP or psychologist for such period as they deem necessary /012 - ICO - 5 months - standard & additional conditions as above LC orders otherwise confirmed: Application under s 14 MHCIFP Act dismissed Convicted /002, /003, /004 & /009 - CCO - 2 years - standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Supervision by Broken Hill CC office; report to Broken Hill CC office within 7 days; engage with GP or their delegate for the purpose of psychological treatment; engage and be compliant with such psychological treatment as directed by GP or psychologist for such period as they deem necessary s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $27,054.19 s 215 CPA costs: $102.00	2022/23
15	23-1764	21/09/2022	13/09/2023	Pleaded guilty	Sutherland LC		Dog Cat	3	1 x Fail to comply with disqualification order	Convicted Fined $400.00	2022/23

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16	23-1765	21/09/2022	17/08/2023	LC: Section 14 application granted. DC: Severity appeal dismissed.	Cessnock LC Newcastle DC	[redacted]	Horse	4	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Finalised concurrently with 21-1680 Severity appeal dismissed LC orders confirmed: s 14(1)(a) MHCIFP Act - charges dismissed and defendant conditionally discharged into care of GP Conditions: Continue to engage in ongoing mental health care treatment and monitoring by GP and follow all reasonable recommendations for treatment made by him, including re: attendance at appointments, medication, and participation in individual or group therapy; continue to engage in mental health treatment with psychologist as directed by her; accept and follow through with any recommendations or referrals for further treatment made by either psychologist or GP. s 30A costs: $5,411.91	2022/23
17	23-1774	6/10/2022	16/10/2023	Pleaded guilty	Campbelltown LC		Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Convicted CCO - 18 months - standard conditions Fined $1,000.00 s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 215 CPA costs: $102.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2022/23
18	23-1780	7/11/2022	24/10/2023	Pleaded guilty	Fairfield LC		Dog	6	4 x Proprietor/management not comply with requirements of clause 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment Form 1 additional offences: 3 x Proprietor/management not comply with requirements of clause	Convicted /009 - ICO - 3 months - standard conditions /010 - CCO - 2 years - standard conditions Fined /002 - $3,500.00 /003 - $500.00 /007- $700.00 /008 - $900.00 s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs: $20,176.59 s 215 CPA costs: $998.30 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2022/23
19	23-1781 23-1797	25/11/2022 13/01/2023	21/09/2023	Pleaded guilty. Section 14 application dismissed.	Wollongong LC		Cat	73	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Additional charges 23-1797 approved and finalised concurrently with 23-1781 Application under s 14 MHCIFP Act dismissed Convicted CCO - 18 months - standard & additional conditions Additional condition: Comply with treatment plan s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs: $50,000.00 s 215 CPA costs: $102.00	2022/23

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20	23-1785	25/11/2022	25/01/2024	Pleaded guilty. Section 14 application dismissed.	Waverley LC	[redacted]	Cat	2	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Application under s 14 MHCIFP Act dismissed Convicted Conditional Release Order (**CRO**) - 12 months - standard & additional conditions Additional condition: Engage in support plan prepared by ALS s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $4,000.00	2022/23
21	23-1786	25/11/2022	25/01/2024	Pleaded guilty	Waverley LC		Cat	2	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CRO - 12 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $4,000.00	2022/23
22	23-1791	6/12/2022	7/08/2023	Pleaded guilty	Dungog LC		Horse	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	CRO without conviction - 2 years - standard conditions s 30A costs: $624.59 s 215 CPA costs: $243.50	2022/23
23	23-1792	6/12/2022	9/11/2023	Pleaded guilty	Windsor LC		Horse	2	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment Form 1 additional offence: 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Conviction with no other penalty s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $38,095.21	2022/23
24	23-1795	13/01/2023	7/11/2023	Pleaded guilty	Mt Druitt LC		Dog	1	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined $1,500.00 s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $2,344.28 s 215 costs: $102.00 s 122: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2022/23
25	23-1810	22/03/2023	26/02/2024	LC: Pleaded guilty. Section 14 application dismissed. DC: Conviction & severity appeal allowed. Section 14 application granted.	Singleton LC Newcastle DC		Pony	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Conviction and severity appeal allowed LC conviction and sentence set aside In lieu: s 14(1)(a) MHCIFP Act - charges dismissed and defendant conditionally discharged into care of responsible person Conditions: Continue with ongoing treatment and counselling for such period as psychologist deems appropriate; comply with any medication regime given by GP; not to keep or participate in keeping any horse for term of order	2022/23
26	23-1811	22/03/2023	6/03/2024	Found guilty after hearing	Sutherland LC		Dog	1	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CRO - 12 months - standard conditions s 30A costs: $9,684.30	2022/23
27	23-1812	22/03/2023	6/03/2024	Found guilty after hearing	Sutherland LC		Dog	1	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined $600.00 s 30A costs: $9,684.30 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2022/23
28	23-1813	22/03/2023	4/12/2023	Pleaded guilty	Burwood LC		Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of cruelty	CRO without conviction - 12 months - standard conditions s 30A costs: $3,000.00 s 215 CPA costs: $102.00	2022/23
29	23-1814	22/03/2023	19/07/2023	Pleaded guilty	Parramatta LC		Dog	1	4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CRO - 18 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years s 30A costs: $750.00	2022/23

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30	23-1815	22/03/2023	5/12/2023	Pleaded guilty	Moree LC	[redacted]	Dog	1	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to comply with requirement under section 24A(1)	/002 & /005 - CRO without conviction - 10 months - standard conditions /007 - CRO without conviction - 6 months - standard conditions s 30A costs: $1,000.00	2022/23
31	23-1816	22/03/2023	5/12/2023	Pleaded guilty	Moree LC		Dog	1	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to comply with requirement under section 24A(1) 1 x Hinder/obstruct person exercising authority under Act	/002, /005 & /008 - CRO without conviction - 10 months - standard conditions /007 - CRO without conviction - 6 months - standard conditions s 30A costs: $1,000.00	2022/23
32	23-1817	22/03/2023	7/12/2023	Found guilty in absence	Manly LC		Cat Dog	6	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	21/11/2023: s 31(4) interim disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody 7/12/2023: Finalised concurrently with 21-1691 & 21-1672 Convicted CRO - 12 months - standard & additional condtions Additional condition: Attend GP within 7 days to obtain mental health care plan s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 10 years s 30A costs: $56,139.75 s 215 CPA costs: $102.00	2022/23
33	23-1818	20/02/2023	9/08/2023	Pleaded guilty	Parramatta LC		Dog	5	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Tether animal with unreasonably short tether 1 x Proprietor/management not comply with requirements of clause Form 1 additional offences: 2 x Proprietor/management not comply with requirements of clause	Convicted /001 - CCO - 12 months - standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Supervision by Parramatta CC office; report within 7 days; perform 40 hours Community Service Work (**CSW**); abstain from illicit drugs; attend drug and alcohol counselling as directed; attend treatment for mental health issues as directed /003 & /004 - CCO - 12 months - standard & additional conditions as above except for CSW /012 - CRO - 12 months - standard & additional conditions as above except for CSW s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years s 30A costs: $8,480.65 s 215 CPA costs: $102.00	2022/23
34	23-1819	20/02/2023	18/04/2024	Found guilty in absence	Windsor LC		Horse	1	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined /001 - $2,000.00 /002 - $1,500.00 /003 - $1,000.00 s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years s 30A costs: $5,634.55 s 215 CPA costs $110.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2022/23
35	23-1820	18/04/2023		Pleaded guilty. Plea traversal granted prior to sentence. Summary hearing ongoing.	Taree LC		Horse	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Plea of guilty withdrawn Ongoing - Hearing listed 26/11/2024	2022/23

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36	23-1821	19/04/2023		LC: Pleaded guilty. DC: Section 14 application, conviction & severity appeal ongoing.	Burwood LC Downing Centre DC	[redacted]	Dog Cat Bird	35	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 2 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Commit an act of cruelty Form 1 additional offences: 4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for conviction (s 14) & severity appeal hearing 24/10/2024	2022/23
37	23-1822	19/04/2023	20/10/2023	LC: Pleaded guilty. DC: Section 14 application & conviction appeal dismissed. Severity appeal allowed.	Bankstown LC Parramatta DC		Cat	4	4 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to comply with disqualification order	Finalised concurrently with 21-1595 Application under s 14 MHCIFP Act dismissed; conviction appeal dismissed LC convictions confirmed Severity appeal allowed, LC sentence set aside In lieu: CCO - 3 years - standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Supervision by Bankstown CC officer; report within 7 days; comply with conditions of supervision plan s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years	2022/23
38	23-1824	19/04/2023	4/04/2024	Found guilty after hearing	Blacktown LC		Cat	32	4 x Fail to provide vet treatment Not guilty after hearing: 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CCO - 12 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs: $2,500.00	2022/23
39	23-1825	19/04/2023	4/04/2024	Found guilty after hearing	Blacktown LC		Cat	32	4 x Fail to provide vet treatment Not guilty after hearing: 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CCO - 12 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs: $2,500.00	2022/23
40	23-1826	4/05/2023		Pleaded guilty. Sentence proceedings ongoing.	Wyong LC		Horse	2	1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	To be finalised concurrently with 24-1925 Ongoing - Listed for sentence 4/09/2024	2022/23
41	23-1827	4/05/2023		Pleaded guilty. Sentence proceedings ongoing.	Wyong LC		Horse	2	1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for sentence 4/09/2024	2022/23
42	23-1828	4/05/2023	11/09/2023	Found guilty after hearing	Campbelltown LC		Dog	1	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined $500.00 s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years s 215 CPA costs: $102.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2022/23
43	23-1830	4/05/2023	11/08/2023	Found guilty in absence	Campbelltown LC		Cat	5	6 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted /001 to /006 inclusive - Fined $550.00 per offence ($3,300.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years s 215 CPA costs: $102.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2022/23

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44	23-1831	4/05/2023	24/04/2024	Found guilty in absence	Campbelltown LC	[redacted]	Dog	1	4 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Convicted /001 & /002 - Fined $5,000.00 per offence ($10,000.00 total) /003, /004 & /005 - Conviction with no other penalty s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs: $17,904.40 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2022/23
45	23-1832	11/05/2023	24/08/2023	Section 14 application granted	Parramatta LC		Dog Cat Bird Fish	12	6 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 2 x Commit an act of cruelty	s 14(1)(a) MHCIFP Act - charges dismissed and defendant conditionally discharged into care of responsible person Conditions: Continue to engage with weekly psychological appointments; engage fortnightly with occupational therapy; continue to engage with daily support provided by [disability service], with reference to support with tasks of daily living; continue to engage with Support Coordinator of [disability service]; not to purchase, acquire, take possession or custody of an animal during the term of the treatment plan; Support Coordinator to be provided a copy of these conditions, and accepts the role as responsible person for reporting breaches	2022/23
46	23-1833	11/05/2023	19/01/2024	Pleaded guilty	Mt Druitt LC		Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Convicted CCO - 18 months - standard & additional conditions Additional condition: Supervision by Blacktown CC office s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $3,500.00 s 215 CPA costs: $102.00	2022/23
47	23-1834	24/05/2023	4/04/2024	Pleaded guilty	Newtown LC		Dog	14	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Advertise dog for sale, not include required information 1 x Give false or misleading microchip identification number 1 x Fail to exercise care	Convicted Fined /004 - $500.00 /005 - $200.00 /007 - $500.00 /006 - Conviction with no other penalty s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2022/23
48	23-1835	24/05/2023	29/08/2023	Pleaded guilty	Fairfield LC		Dog	3	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted /001 - CCO - 12 months - standard conditions /002 & /003 - Fined $2,500.00 per offence ($5,000.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 4 years s 30A costs: $2,115.91 s 215 CPA costs: $102.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2022/23

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49	23-1836	24/05/2023	19/09/2023	LC: Pleaded guilty. DC: Severity appeal allowed.	Hornsby LC Downing Centre DC	[redacted]	Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Severity appeal allowed in part LC orders varied: Fined $1,000.00 LC orders otherwise confirmed: Convicted s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs: $150.00 s 215 CPA costs: $102.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2022/23
50	23-1837	24/05/2023	16/01/2024	Section 14 application granted	Penrith LC		Dog Cat	20	4 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	s 14(1)(a) MHCIFP Act: charges dismissed & defendant conditionally discharged into care of responsible person Conditions: Comply with mental health treatment plan; comply with any other treatments and medication regimen recommended by GP or other suitably qualified person	2022/23
51	23-1838	24/05/2023		Summary hearing ongoing	Parramatta LC		Cat	9	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment 2 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Confine animal in cage dimensions inadequate for exercise 1 x Give false or misleading microchip identification number	Ongoing - Listed for mention to fix hearing date 23/10/2024	2022/23
52	23-1839	6/06/2023	9/08/2023	Pleaded guilty	Cessnock LC		Dog	1	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Convicted CCO - 12 months - standard conditions s 30A costs: $3,022.76 s 215 CPA costs: $101.00	2022/23
53	23-1841	6/06/2023	7/12/2023	Found guilty in absence. Annulment application dismissed.	Penrith LC		Dog	7	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	27/07/2023: Convicted 26/10/2023: Annulment application under s 4 *Crimes (Appeal & Review) Act 2001* (**CARA**) dismissed; conviction confirmed s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years s 30A costs: $9,010.19 7/12/2023: CCO - 18 months - standard conditions	2022/23
54	23-1842	6/06/2023	31/08/2023	Pleaded guilty	Windsor LC		Dog	1	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	/001 - Convicted & fined $500.00 /002 & /003 - Dismissed without conviction s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $1,472.64 s 215 CPA costs: $102.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2022/23

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55	23-1843	21/06/2023	17/06/2024	Pleaded guilty	Penrith LC	[redacted]	Horse	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Convicted CCO - 18 months - standard conditions Fined $500.00 Breach of unrelated CRO established, no action taken s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 215 CPA costs: $102.00	2022/23
56	23-1844	21/06/2023	12/10/2023	Found guilty in absence	Penrith LC		Dog	3	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Tether animal for unreasonable length of time	Convicted Fined /001 - $2,000.00 /002 - $2,500.00 /003 - $1,000.00 s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years s 30A costs: $20,592.49 s 215 CPA costs: $102.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2022/23
57	23-1845	21/06/2023		Application for permanent stay ongoing	Armidale LC		Dog	1	4 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Tether animal for unreasonable length of time 1 x Tether unreasonably short	To be heard concurrently with 24-1933 Ongoing - Listed for stay application 2/08/2024	2022/23
58	23-1846	21/06/2023		Section 14 application ongoing	Armidale LC		Dog	1	4 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Tether animal for unreasonable length of time 1 x Tether unreasonably short	To be heard concurrently with 24-1932 Ongoing - Listed for s 14 application 2/08/2024	2022/23
59	23-1847	19/07/2023	19/09/2023	Found guilty in absence	Burwood LC		Dog	1	2 x Commit an act of cruelty	Convicted /001 & /002 - Fined $1,000 per offence ($2,000.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $1,329.72 s 215 CPA costs: $3,102.52 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
60	23-1848	19/07/2023		Summary hearing ongoing	Cessnock LC		Dog Horse	2	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Hearing listed 9/09/2024	2023/24
61	23-1849	19/07/2023		Summary hearing ongoing	Cessnock LC		Dog	3	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Confine animal in cage dimensions inadequate for exercise	Ongoing - Hearing listed 21/10/2024	2023/24
62	23-1850	19/07/2023	24/08/2023	Pleaded guilty	Parramatta LC		Dog	1	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	CRO without conviction - 2 years - standard conditions	2023/24

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63	23-1851	19/07/2023	4/12/2023	Pleaded guilty	Burwood LC	[redacted]	Dog Cat	65	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 6 x Fail to provide vet treatment 2 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Confine animal in cage dimensions inadequate for exercise 1 x Fail to provide adequate exercise	Convicted /001 - CCO - 15 months - standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Supervision by Burwood CC office; perform 75 hours CSW /002 to /007 inclusive, /012 & /013 - CCO - 12 months - standard conditions /008 & /014 - CCO - 6 months - standard conditions Fined /001 - $5,000.00 /002 to /007 inclusive, /012 & /013 - $850.00 per offence /008 & /014 - $400.00 per offence ($12,600.00 total) s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs: $10,702.66 s 215 CPA costs: $212.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
64	23-1852	19/07/2023		Summary hearing ongoing	Campbelltown LC		Dog	1	2 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Hearing listed 14/10/2024	2023/24
65	23-1853	26/07/2023	6/12/2023	Found guilty in absence	Maitland LC		Dog	3	1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	25/10/2023: Convicted s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody 6/12/2023: CCO - 2 years - standard conditions s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years s 30A costs: $13,932.13 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00	2023/24
66	23-1854	26/07/2023	8/11/2023	Pleaded guilty	Nowra LC		Dog	2	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CCO - 18 months - standard conditions /001 & /002 - Fined $4,250.00 per offence ($8,500.00 total) s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs: $5,899.29 s 215 CPA costs: $55.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
67	23-1855	26/07/2023	8/11/2023	Pleaded guilty	Nowra LC		Dog	2	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CCO - 18 months - standard conditions /001 & /002 - Fined $4,250.00 per offence ($8,500.00 total) s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs: $5,899.29 s 215 CPA costs: $55.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
68	23-1856	18/08/2023		Summary hearing ongoing	Blacktown LC		Pigeon	276	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Hearing listed 28/08/2024	2023/24

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69	23-1857	13/09/2023	12/02/2024	Pleaded guilty	Goulburn LC	[redacted]	Goat	388	3 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Convicted Fined /001 - $18,000.00 /003 - $24,000.00 /005 - $9,000.00 /007 - $24,000.00 /008 - $6,000.00 ($81,000.00 total) s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 10 years s 215 CPA costs: $4,110.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
70	23-1858	28/08/2023		Section 14 application dismissed. Summary hearing ongoing	Mudgee LC		Dog Cat	3	1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Application under s 14 MHCIFP Act dismissed Ongoing - Listed for mention to fix hearing date 2/07/2024	2023/24
71	23-1859	28/08/2023		Summary hearing ongoing	Liverpool LC		Cat	52	8 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Hearing listed 23/09/2024	2023/24
72	23-1860	13/09/2023		Summary hearing ongoing	Liverpool LC		Cat	52	8 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Hearing listed 23/09/2024	2023/24
73	23-1861	13/09/2023	7/11/2023	Found guilty in absence	Sutherland LC		Dog	11	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined /001 - $9,000.00 /002 - $2,000.00 s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $39,944.07 s 215 costs: $110.00 s 122: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
74	23-1862	13/09/2023	29/01/2024	Pleaded guilty	Burwood LC		Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CCO - 2 years - standard conditions s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs: $7,054.43 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00	2023/24
75	23-1863	13/09/2023		Summary hearing ongoing	Campbelltown LC		Rabbit Cat Chicken Ferrett Cockatiel	8	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Hearing listed 26/11/2024	2023/24
76	23-1864	13/09/2023	22/11/2023	Withdrawn	Bankstown LC		Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Charges withdrawn and dismissed Unable to locate accused	2023/24
77	23-1865	13/09/2023	25/10/2023	Found guilty in absence	Liverpool LC		Dog	1	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined $2,000.00 s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years s 30A costs: $5,491.78 s 215 costs: $110.00 s 122: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24

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78	23-1866	17/10/2023	7/12/2023	Pleaded guilty	Blacktown LC	[redacted]	Cat	1	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	12/10/2023: s 30A costs: $3,890.40 7/12/2023: CRO without conviction - 12 months - standard conditions	2023/24
79	23-1867	17/10/2023	7/11/2023	Pleaded guilty	Cessnock LC		Dog	1	1 x Abandon animal	Convicted Fined $750.00 s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years s 30A costs: $506.79 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
80	23-1868	17/10/2023	14/12/2023	Pleaded guilty	Inverell LC		Dog	1	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CRO - 12 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 30A costs: $2,000.00	2023/24
81	23-1869	17/10/2023	19/12/2023	Found guilty in absence	Burwood LC		Cat	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Convicted Fined $2,000.00 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 215 CPA costs: $110.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
82	23-1870	8/11/2023		Summary hearing ongoing	Waverley LC		Dog	1	4 x Commit an act of cruelty	Ongoing - Hearing listed 18/10/2024	2023/24
83	23-1871	4/12/2023	31/05/2024	Found guilty in absence (x2). Annulment application granted (x1).	Kempsey LC		Horse	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	18/01/2024: Convicted 3/05/2024: Annulment application under s 4 CARA granted 15/05/2024: Convicted s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs: $617.00 s 215 CPA costs: $510.00 31/05/2024: ICO - 10 months - standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Participate in any program, treatment, intervention or related activity specified in this order or by a CC officer; comply with CC directions regarding completing recommended courses; report to CC within 7 days	2023/24

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84	23-1872	4/12/2023	20/03/2024	Found guilty in absence. Annulment application granted. Pleaded guilty.	Mt Druitt LC	[redacted]	Cat	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	31/01/2024: Convicted 20/03/2024: Annulment application under s 4 CARA granted Convicted CCO - 12 months - standard & additional conditions Additional condition: Supervision by Mt Druitt CC office Fined $2,000.00 s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 215 CPA costs: $110.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
85	23-1873	4/12/2023	1/03/2024	Section 14 application granted	Campbelltown LC		Dog	1	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	s 14(1)(a) MHCIFP Act - charges dismissed and defendant conditionally discharged into care of responsible person Conditions: Take medication as prescribed by GP; attend appointments with and comply with the treatment directions of therapist; and cooperate with mental health support workers s 30A costs: $4,030.58	2023/24
86	23-1874	4/12/2023	30/11/2023	Found guilty in absence	Campbelltown LC		Dog	1	5 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted /001 to /005 inclusive - Fined $5,000.00 per offence ($25,000.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 4 years s 30A costs: $5,210.88 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
87	23-1875	4/12/2023	12/12/2023	Found guilty in absence	Waverley LC		Cat	10	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted /001 & /002 - Fined $5,000.00 per offence ($10,000.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years s 30A costs: $15,950.35 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
88	23-1876	4/12/2023	20/12/2023	Section 14 application granted	Belmont LC		Dog	5	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Tether unreasonably short 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink 1 x Fail to provide proper ans sufficient shelter	s 14(1)(c) MHCIFP Act - charges dismissed and defendant discharged unconditionally	2023/24
89	23-1877	4/12/2023		LC: Pleaded guilty. DC: Severity appeal ongoing.	Campbelltown LC Campbelltown DC		Cat	49	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Severity appeal listed 16/07/2024	2023/24

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90	23-1878	4/12/2023	11/04/2024	Found guilty in absence. Annulment application dismissed.	Singleton LC	[redacted]	Horse	4	1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	25/01/2024: Convicted s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge 29/02/2024: Annulment application under s 4 CARA dismissed 11/04/2024: Breach of CCO imposed in 21-1644 established; CCO revoked & defendant re-sentenced concurrently with 23-1878 ICO - 18 months aggregate - standard & additional conditions Additional condition: Perform 200 hours CSW Indicative sentences: 21-1644 - 2 months (/001 & /002) and 3 months (/003) 23-1878 - 3 months (/001) and 6 months (/002 & /003) s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs: $19,082.15 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00	2023/24
91	23-1879	4/12/2023		Summary hearing ongoing	Burwood LC		Dog Cat	19	7 x Fail to provide vet treatment 2 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient shelter 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink 4 x Proprietor/Management no compy with requirements of clause	Ongoing - Hearing listed 5/09/2024	2023/24
92	23-1880	4/12/2023	1/02/2024	Withdrawn	Burwood LC		Dog Cat	8	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient shelter 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink	Charges withdrawn and dismissed Unable to locate accused	2023/24

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93	23-1881	4/12/2023	28/03/2024	LC: Pleaded guilty. DC: Severity appeal withdrawn and dismissed.	Muswellbrook LC Newcastle DC	[redacted]	Horse	6	1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Severity appeal withdrawn and dismissed LC orders confirmed: Convicted Fined /001 - $2,000.00 /004 - $5,000.00 s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs: $20,905.50 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
94	23-1882	4/12/2023	6/03/2024	Section 19 application dismissed. Section 14 application granted.	Downing Centre LC		Rabbit	1	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink	10/11/2023: Application under s 19 MHCIFP Act dismissed 6/03/2024: s 14(1)(a) MHCIFP Act - charges dismissed and defendant conditionally discharged into care of Case Manager Conditions: Take medication as prescribed and/or varied by psychiatrist; attend and meet with psychiatrist as deemed necessary; attend and meet with Case Manager as deemed necessary; the frequency, place or timing of appointments between defendant and the case manager and treating doctor or delegates may be changed by the case manager or treating doctor or delegates; appointments for review and/or medication may occur at home if defendant consents and the case manager and treating doctor agrees to home visits, otherwise, defendant must attend appointments for review and medication at treatment centre; must not own or be involved in the care of any animal s 30A costs: $500.00	2023/24
95	23-1883	4/12/2023	29/02/2024	Pleaded guilty	Penrith LC		Dog	1	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined $2,000.00 s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $10,014.98 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
96	23-1884	19/12/2023		Pleaded guilty. Sentence proceedings ongoing.	Sutherland LC		Dog	1	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for decision (sentence) 5/07/2024	2023/24
97	23-1885	19/12/2023	22/02/2024	Found guilty in absence	Penrith LC		Cat	1	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted /001 to /003 inclusive - Fined $2,000.00 per offence ($6,000.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $6,369.66 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24

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98	23-1886	19/12/2023	9/05/2024	Pleaded guilty	Picton LC	[redacted]	Dog	1	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Convicted Fined /001 - $1,000.00 /003 - $750.00 /002 - Conviction with no other penalty s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 215 CPA costs: $110.00	2023/24
99	23-1887	19/12/2023	5/04/2024	Found guilty in absence	Penrith LC	[redacted]	Dog Goat Cow	4	9 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CRO - 2 years - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $7,803.52	2023/24
100	23-1888	19/12/2023	8/02/2024	Found guilty in absence	Parkes LC	[redacted]	Dog	2	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined /001 - $1,000.00 /002 - $500.00 s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $4,149.08 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
101	23-1889	19/12/2023		Found guilty in absence. Sentence proceedings ongoing.	Campbelltown LC	[redacted]	Horse Cow	3	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	8/02/2024: Convicted s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody Ongoing - Listed for sentence 25/07/2024	2023/24
102	23-1890	21/12/2023	1/03/2024	Withdrawn	Wellington LC	[redacted]	Rat	4	1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink	Charges withdrawn and dismissed Unable to locate accused	2023/24
103	23-1891	15/01/2024		Ongoing	Tumut LC	[redacted]	Dog	1	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 10/07/2024	2023/24
104	23-1892	15/01/2024		Ongoing	Blacktown LC	[redacted]	Dog	13	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 18/07/2024	2023/24
105	23-1893	15/01/2024		Ongoing	Blacktown LC	[redacted]	Dog	13	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 18/07/2024	2023/24
106	23-1894	15/01/2024		LC: Pleaded guilty. DC: Severity appeal ongoing.	Albury LC Albury DC	[redacted]	Dog	15	1 x Confine animal in cage dimensions inadequate for exercise 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient shelter 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 3 x Advertise dog for sale not include required information 4 x Proprietor/manager not comply with requirements of clause	Ongoing - Listed for mention (severity appeal) 12/08/2024	2023/24

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107	23-1895	15/01/2024	13/05/2024	Pleaded guilty	Liverpool LC	[redacted]	Dog	30	6 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 2 x Commit an act of cruelty 10 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted /001 to /007 inclusive & /018 - ICO - 28 months aggregate - standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Electronic monitoring; not to leave home between 8:00 pm and 6:00 am for first 16 months of order; perform 300 hours CSW; participate in any rehabilitation/treatment specified in this order or by a CC officer; report to CC within 7 days Indicative sentences: 9 months (/001, /002, /005 & /006), 7 months (/003 & /004) and 3 months (/007 & /018) /008 to /017 inclusive - CCO - 24 months - standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Supervision by Liverpool CC office; report within 7 days s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 10 years s 30A costs $53,777.81 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00	2023/24
108	23-1896	15/01/2024	25/01/2024	Pleaded guilty	Corowa LC		Horse	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Convicted Fined $1,100.00 s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
109	23-1897	15/01/2024		Section 14 application ongoing	Armidale LC		Dog Horse Donkey	7	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 2 x Fail to comply with s 24N notice 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink 1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Ongoing - Listed for s 14 application 16/09/2024	2023/24
110	23-1900	22/01/2024	28/02/2024	Pleaded guilty	Albury LC		Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Convicted Fined $3,300.00 s 31(1)(b) disqualification: 3 years s 215 CPA costs: $110.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
111	23-1901	22/01/2024	2/04/2024	Pleaded guilty	Muswellbrook LC		Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Convicted Fined $2,500.00 s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs $619.00 s 215 CPA costs: $153.33 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
112	23-1902	22/01/2024		Summary hearing ongoing	Muswellbrook LC		Dog Rabbit Guinea Pig Bearded Dragon Fish Cat	8	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 5 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to rpovide proper and sufficient drink 1 x Fail to comply with order under 31(1)	Ongoing - Listed for hearing 29/07/2024	2023/24
113	23-1903	8/03/2024		Ongoing	Maitland LC		Bird	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Ongoing - Listed for mention 24/07/2024	2023/24

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114	23-1904	8/03/2024	18/04/2024	Pleaded guilty	Bankstown LC	[redacted]	Dog	7	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined /001 - $4,000.00 /002 to /005 inclusive - $2,000.00 per offence ($12,000.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs $20,191.55 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
115	23-1905	8/03/2024	18/04/2024	Pleaded guilty	Bankstown LC		Dog	7	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined /001 - $4,000.00 /002 to /005 inclusive - $2,000.00 per offence ($12,000.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs $20,191.55 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
116	23-1906	8/03/2024	14/03/2024	Pleaded guilty	Wollongong LC		Dog	9	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CRO - 12 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs: 4,902.69	2023/24
117	23-1907	8/03/2024	2/04/2024	Pleaded guilty	Maitland LC		Horse	1	6 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CRO - 2 years - standard conditions s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $3,338.30 s 215 costs: $306.13	2023/24
118	23-1908	8/03/2024	15/05/2024	Found guilty in absence	Nowra LC		Dog	1	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted ICO - 9 months aggregate - standard conditions No additional orders (exceptional circumstances found: ancillary orders) Indicative sentences: 8 months (/001 to /003 inclusive) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $4,290.84	2023/24
119	23-1909	8/03/2024		Summary hearing ongoing	Blacktown LC		Cat Dog	18	12 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for hearing 25/07/2024	2023/24
120	23-1910	8/03/2024		Ongoing	Picton LC		Cat	10	7 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 4/07/2024	2023/24

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121	23-1911	8/03/2024	24/04/2024	Pleaded guilty	Bankstown LC	[redacted]	Dog	1	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CRO - 8 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $3,263.02	2023/24
122	23-1912	8/03/2024	3/04/2024	Withdrawn	Downing Centre LC		Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Charges withdrawn and dismissed	2023/24
123	23-1913 23-1923	8/03/2024 14/03/2024		Pleaded guilty. Sentence proceedings ongoing.	Fairfield LC		Dog	21	16 x Proprieter/management not comply with requirements of clause 12 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Additional charges 23-1923 approved and to be finalised concurrently with 23-1913 Ongoing - Listed for sentence 11/09/2024	2023/24
124	23-1914	8/03/2024		Found guilty in absence. Annulment application granted. Section 14 application ongoing.	Gosford LC		Dog	1	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for s 14 application 4/07/2024	2023/24
125	23-1915	8/03/2024		Pleaded guilty. Sentence proceedings & section 14 application ongoing.	Penrith LC		Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for sentence & s 14 application 23/08/2024	2023/24
126	23-1916	8/03/2024	14/06/2024	Pleaded guilty	Newcastle LC		Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Convicted Fined $800.00 s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs $1,666.74 s 215 CPA costs: $99.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
127	23-1917	8/03/2024		Summary hearing ongoing	Armidale LC		Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for hearing 7/01/2025	2023/24
128	23-1918	9/03/2024		Summary hearing ongoing	Armidale LC		Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for hearing 7/01/2025	2023/24
129	23-1919	10/03/2024	1/05/2024	Pleaded guilty	Downing LC		Cat	1	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted /001 to /003 inclusive - Fined $100.00 per offence ($300.00 total) s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $5,754.16 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00	2023/24
130	23-1920	11/03/2024	13/05/2024	Pleaded guilty	Moree LC		Cat	79	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Confine animal in cage dimensions inadequate for exercise	Convicted /001 to /003 inclusive - CRO - 12 months - standard conditions /004 - CRO - 6 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs $19,094.07 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00	2023/24

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131	23-1921	12/03/2024	13/05/2024	Pleaded guilty	Moree LC	[redacted]	Cat	79	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CRO - 6 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs $4,843.10 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00	2023/24
132	23-1922	13/03/2024	10/05/2024	Pleaded guilty	Mt Druitt LC		Dog	1	5 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CCO - 12 months - standard & additional conditions Additional condition: Perform 100 hours CSW Fined /001, /003 to /005 inclusive - $300.00 per offence /002 - $600.00 ($1,800.00 total) s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs $4,068.60 s 31(1)(b) disqualification: 2 years s 215 CPA costs: $110.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
133	24-1924	11/05/2024	13/06/2024	Pleaded guilty	Windsor LC		Dog	1	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CRO - 6 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal orders: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $2,000.00	2023/24
134	24-1925	11/05/2024		Pleaded guilty. Sentence proceedings ongoing.	Wyong LC		Chicken Rabbit	6	2 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	To be finalised concurrently with 23-1826 Ongoing - Listed for sentence 4/09/2024	2023/24
135	24-1926	11/05/2024		Ongoing	Wollongong LC		Dog	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Ongoing - Listed for mention 11/07/2024	2023/24
136	24-1927	11/05/2024		Ongoing	Armidale LC		Cow	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Ongoing - Listed for mention 2/09/2024	2023/24
137	24-1928	11/05/2024		Ongoing	Bankstown LC		Dog	1	4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 31/07/2024	2023/24
138	24-1929	11/05/2024		Ongoing	Muswellbrook LC		Dog	1	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 6/08/2024	2023/24
139	24-1930	11/05/2024		Pleaded guilty. Sentence proceedings ongoing.	Maitland LC		Horse	1	1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Ongoing - Listed for sentence 9/08/2024	2023/24
140	24-1931	11/05/2024		Ongoing	Penrith LC		Dog	1	2 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 4/07/2024	2023/24
141	24-1932	23/05/2024		Section 14 application ongoing	Armidale LC		Dog	13	5 x Fail to provide vet treatment	To be heard concurrently with 23-1846 Ongoing - Listed for s 14 application 2/08/2024	2023/24
142	24-1933	23/05/2024		Application for permanent stay ongoing	Armidale LC		Dog	1	5 x Fail to provide vet treatment	To be heard concurrently with 23-1845 Ongoing - Listed for stay application 2/08/2024	2023/24
143	24-1934	23/05/2024		Ongoing	Nyngan LC		Dog	1	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 29/08/2024	2023/24
144	24-1935	14/06/2024		Ongoing	Wollongong LC		Dog	1	3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 8/08/2024	2023/24
145	24-1936	14/06/2024		Ongoing	Wollongong LC		Cat	1	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 15/08/2024	2023/24
146	24-1937	14/06/2024		Ongoing	Muswellbrook LC		Dog	3	5 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Ongoing - Listed for mention 20/08/2024	2023/24

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147	24-1939	14/06/2024		Section 14 proceedings ongoing	Liverpool LC	[redacted]	Dog	1	4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for s 14 application 27/08/2024	2023/24
148	24-1940	18/06/2024		Ongoing	Sutherland LC		Dog	1	4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 8/10/2024	2023/24
149	24-1941	18/06/2024		Ongoing	Windsor LC		Dog	1	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 19/09/2024	2023/24
150	24-1942	18/06/2024		Ongoing	Liverpool LC		Cat Dog Cockatoo	19	15 x Fail to provide vet treatment 2 x confine in cage of dimensions inadequate for exercise 1 x Tether animal for unreasonable time 1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Ongoing - Listed for mention 25/10/2024	2023/24
151	24-1943	21/06/2024		Ongoing	Downing Centre LC		Dog	1	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 2/08/2024	2023/24
152	24-1944	28/06/2024		Ongoing	Tamworth LC		Cow	1	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Ongoing - Listed for mention 28/10/2024	2023/24
153	24-1945	25/06/2024		Ongoing	Picton LC		Dog	2	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 12/09/2024	2023/24
154	24-1946	26/06/2024		Ongoing	Gosford LC		Dog	1	4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 22/08/2024	2023/24

RSPCA NSW Inspectorate
Annual Report
2024-2025

Submitted in accordance with section 34B(3) of the *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979* (NSW)

(1) Information pursuant to clause 41(1) of the *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Regulation 2025* (NSW):

(a) complaints received, and investigations undertaken, about the treatment of animals:

Between 1 July 2024 and 30 June 2025 (**reporting period**), RSPCA NSW received a total of 17,946 complaints alleging cruelty to animals contrary to the *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979* (NSW) (**Act**), the *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Regulation 2012* (NSW) and/or the *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Regulation 2025* (NSW) (**Regulation**).[1] These complaints often involved more than one animal and multiple complaint types.

See sections 2(a)-(c) below for further details regarding complaints received and investigations undertaken during the reporting period.

(b) animals seized or taken possession of under the Act:

Between 1 July 2024 and 30 June 2025, RSPCA NSW seized or took possession of 3,650 animals under the Act.

See section 2(f) below for further details regarding animals seized or taken possession of during the reporting period.

(c) cautions given:

RSPCA NSW interprets clause 41(1)(c) of the Regulation as a reference to official cautions issued pursuant to section 19A of the *Fines Act 1996* (NSW). During the reporting period, RSPCA NSW issued 11 such official cautions.

[1] The *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Regulation 2025* (NSW) (**Regulation**) commenced on 31 January 2025. Between 1 July 2024 and 30 January 2025, the *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Regulation 2012* (NSW) applied. Unless otherwise specified or implied by context, references to 'the Regulation' include the *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Regulation 2012* (NSW) as applicable during the reporting period.

(d) notices issued:

RSPCA NSW interprets clause 41(1)(d) of the Regulation as a reference to written notices issued pursuant to section 24N of the Act. During the reporting period, RSPCA NSW issued 1,320 such notices.

(e) proceedings for offences instituted:

Between 1 July 2024 and 30 June 2025, RSPCA NSW commenced 156 prosecutions.

See sections 2(h)-(j) and Appendix 1 below for further details regarding proceedings conducted during the reporting period.

(f) the organisation's officers and the training provided for the officers:

Officers

As at 30 June 2025, RSPCA NSW had a total of 40 officers. Of those 40 officers, 39 are holders of a prescribed authority under the provisions of Part 2A of the Act, issued with the approval of the Minister for Agriculture. One officer was awaiting their prescribed authority as at the end of the reporting period.

See section 2(k) below for further details regarding the officers of RSPCA NSW.

Training

See section 2(m) below for details regarding the training provided by RSPCA NSW for its officers during the reporting period.

(g) complaints about the organisation or the organisation's officers:

RSPCA NSW received 23 complaints during the reporting period.

See section 2(l) below for further details regarding the complaints.

(2) Information pursuant to clause 41(2) of the *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Regulation 2025* (NSW):

(a) a statement of the number of, and a summary of the substance of, complaints relating to animal cruelty or mistreatment received by the organisation during the reporting period for the report:

Between 1 July 2024 and 30 June 2025, RSPCA NSW received a total of 17,946 complaints alleging cruelty to animals contrary to the Act and/or the Regulation. These complaints often involved multiple animals and multiple complaint 'codes'. Complaint codes designate the substance of a complaint and are assigned when a complaint is lodged.

The following table shows the numbers and types of complaints received by RSPCA NSW during the reporting period, noting that multiple complaint codes may be assigned to a single complaint:

Complaint Code	Number of Complaints
Food & Water	8,340
Concern For Welfare	6,382
Vet Treatment	4,018
Shelter Inadequate	2,520
Unattended 24hrs	2,265
Ill Treatment	2,098
Breeder	1,964
Locked In Small Pen	1,858
Tied Continually	1,554
Abandoned	1,427
Other	969
Dead	730
Pet Shop Inspection	324
Exposed To Heat	168
AWIR	130
Premises Inspection	107
Overcrowded	97
Hoarding	93
Locked In House	89
Req Rescue	77
Locked In Shed	63
Exercise Inadequate	57
Poisoning	53
Locked In Car	50
Insufficient shelter	27
Kennel Inspection	21
Transport Unsatisfactory	20
Killed	9
Dog Fighting	8
Sale Yard Insp	7
Poultry Inspection	6
Cock Fighting	3
Animal Park Insp	3

Rodeo Insp	2
Organised Cruelty	2
Zoo and/or Exhibited Animal	1
Stable Insp	1
Riding Sch Insp	1
Locked In Shop	1
TOTAL	**35,545**

(b) a statement of the number of visits or investigations made by the organisation's officers as a result of the complaints during the reporting period for the report:

Of the 17,946 cruelty complaints received, 992 were finalised as Intel Only, 170 were referred to other agencies, and 71 were directed to NSW Police. The remaining 16,713 cruelty complaints proceeded to investigation by RSPCA NSW.

(c) a statement of the number of visits or investigations made by the organisation's officers during the reporting period for the report that were unrelated to the complaints. Examples—routine inspections of abattoirs, pet shops or saleyards:

Between 1 July 2024 and 2 April 2025, inclusive, RSPCA NSW's AnimalOS database did not have the capacity to distinguish between inspections arising from cruelty complaints and 'routine' (that is, proactive) inspections conducted on animal trades under the provisions of section 24G of the Act. That capability was introduced on 3 April 2025.

Between 3 April 2025 and 30 June 2025, RSPCA NSW conducted 4 'routine' inspections.

Prior to 3 April 2025, data on 'routine' inspections was derived from statistics manually reported by RSPCA NSW inspectors. The statistics for 1 July 2024 to 2 April 2025 are known to be incomplete. They may also be inaccurate due to ambiguity regarding the term 'routine', which can be interpreted as a reference to a complaint's triage level as well as a proactive inspection. Based on this method, RSPCA NSW conducted 49 'routine' inspections during the reporting period.

The capacity to conduct 'routine' inspections is dependent on available resources, with the investigation of animal cruelty complaints taking priority.

(d) a statement of the number of persons officially cautioned by the organisation's officers during the reporting period for the report:

RSPCA NSW issued 11 official cautions pursuant to section 19A of the *Fines Act 1996* (NSW) during the reporting period.

(e) a statement of the number of notices issued by the organisation's officers under the Act, section 24N during the reporting period for the report:

RSPCA NSW issued 1,320 written notices pursuant to section 24N of the Act during the reporting period.

(f) a statement of the number of animals seized or taken possession of under the Act and the number of days for which the animals remained in the organisation's possession or care:

RSPCA NSW seized or took possession of 3,650 animals under the Act during the reporting period. When calculating days in care, RSPCA NSW does not have the ability to isolate those 3,650 animals from animals that were seized or taken possession of under the Act prior to 2024/25. RSPCA NSW recorded 313,242 days in care for all Inspectorate animals (including animals seized or taken possession of in earlier financial years).

(g) a statement of the number of penalty notices issued by the organisation's officers during the reporting period for the report:

During the reporting period, RSPCA NSW issued 127 Penalty Infringement Notices.

(h) a statement of the number of proceedings for offences under the Act or the regulations instituted by the organisation's officers, including details of the defendants and the charges, during the reporting period for the report:

RSPCA NSW instituted 156 criminal prosecutions during the reporting period against a total of 211 defendants. This brought the total number of active RSPCA NSW prosecutions in the reporting period to 226, noting that 70 prosecutions commenced prior to 2024/25 had not been finalised as at the date of the previous report.

Details of the proceedings, defendants and charges are provided at *Appendix 1 – Prosecution Results 2024/2025*.

(i) details of the outcome of proceedings referred to in paragraph (h) that had been finally determined by the date of the report:

Of the 156 prosecutions commenced during the reporting period, 69 had been finalised as at 30 June 2025, while 87 were pending final determination.

Of the 69 prosecutions finalised:

- 49 were determined following a plea of guilty,
- 1 was determined with a finding of guilt after hearing,
- 16 were heard and determined in the accused's absence pursuant to section 190 or 196 of the *Criminal Procedure Act 1986* (NSW), and
- 3 were withdrawn.

Of the 69 prosecutions finalised, three involved appeals by the defendant to the District Court.

(j) details of the outcome of proceedings for offences referred to in the immediately previous report that had not been finally determined by the date of the previous report:

As noted above, RSPCA NSW had 226 active prosecutions during the reporting period. Seventy (70) of those were commenced prior to 2024/25 and are detailed in *Appendix 1 – Prosecution Results 2024/2025*.

Of the 70 prosecutions that had not been finally determined by the date of the previous report, 53 had been finalised by 30 June 2025, while 17 were still ongoing.

Of the 53 prosecutions finalised:

- 35 were determined following a plea of guilty,
- 5 were determined with a finding of guilt after hearing,
- 5 were heard and determined in the accused's absence pursuant to section 190 or 196 of the *Criminal Procedure Act 1986* (NSW),
- 1 was withdrawn, and
- 7 were dealt with pursuant to section 14 of the *Mental Health and Cognitive Impairment Forensic Provisions Act 2020* (NSW).

Of the 53 prosecutions finalised, nine involved appeals by the defendant to the District Court.

(k) a list, current as at the date of the report, of the organisation's officers, together with any changes made to the list since the immediately previous report:

<u>Officers as at 30 September 2025</u>

1.	[redacted]	Chief Inspector
2.		Deputy Chief Inspector
3.		Regional Team Leader
4.		Regional Team Leader
5.		Sydney Region Team Leader
6.		Sydney Region Acting Team Leader
7.		Regional Team Leader
8.		Brief Handling Officer/Sydney Region Inspector
9.		Digital Intelligence Officer/Sydney Region Inspector
10.		Sydney Region Inspector
11.		Sydney Region Inspector
12.		Sydney Region Inspector
13.		Sydney Region Inspector
14.		Sydney Region Inspector
15.		Sydney Region Inspector
16.		Sydney Region Inspector
17.		Sydney Region Inspector
18.		Sydney Region Inspector
19.		Sydney Region Inspector
20.		Sydney Region Inspector
21.		Regional Inspector

22. [redacted] Regional Inspector
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30. Regional Inspector
31. Regional Inspector
32. Regional Inspector
33. Regional Inspector
34. Regional Inspector
35. Regional Inspector
36. Regional Inspector
37. Regional Inspector
38. Regional Inspector
39. Regional Inspector

Changes since last report

- [redacted]

(l) details of any complaints received by the organisation in relation to the organisation's activities, or the activities of the organisation's officers, under the Act during the reporting period for the report, including—

(i) details about the resolution of the complaints, and

(ii) details of any disciplinary action taken against a person as a result of the complaints:

1.	Complaint	Person of interest (**POI**) complaint received regarding seizure of cat from property without consent.
	Outcome	An investigation was conducted, including reviewing job details, notebook entries and actions by the Inspector. A determination was made that the complaint was unsubstantiated. This matter remains under investigation.
2.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a member of the public (**MOP**) regarding an Inspector not attending to a cruelty complaint to their satisfaction.
	Outcome	An investigation was conducted, including reviewing job details, photographs and information was provided by the Inspector. A determination was made that the complaint was unsubstantiated.
3.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a POI regarding the actions of an Inspector during an emergency situation, as well as concerns about the seizure of their dog.

	Outcome	An investigation was conducted, including reviewing job details, body worn camera footage and information was provided by the Inspector that attended the cruelty complaint. A determination was made that the complaint was unsubstantiated. This matter is currently before the NSW Local Court.
4.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a POI claiming the re-visits to their property were unnecessary.
	Outcome	An investigation was conducted, including reviewing job details, notebook entries and actions by the Inspector. A determination was made that the complaint was unsubstantiated.
5.	Complaint	Complaint made by POI regarding the conduct of an Inspector during an investigation.
	Outcome	An investigation was conducted, including reviewing job details, body worn camera footage and information was provided by the Inspector that attended the cruelty complaint. A determination was made that the complaint was unsubstantiated.
6.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a POI claiming the Inspector illegally visited their home.
	Outcome	An investigation was conducted, including reviewing job details and information was provided by the Inspector. A determination was made that the complaint was unsubstantiated.
7.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a MOP claiming the Inspector did not collect an abandoned dog.
	Outcome	An investigation was conducted, including reviewing job details, notebook entries and information was provided by the Inspector. A determination was made that the complaint was unsubstantiated.
8.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a POI alleging that an Inspector was inappropriate in a conversation with them during an investigation. They also alleged that the Inspector had attended the property before a complaint was received.
	Outcome	An investigation was conducted, including reviewing job details, notebook entries and information was provided by the Inspector. A determination was made that the complaint was unsubstantiated.
9.	Complaint	Complaint made by POI regarding the conduct of an Inspector.
	Outcome	An investigation was conducted, including reviewing job details, review of body worn camera footage and information was provided by the Inspector that attended the cruelty complaint. A determination was made that the complaint was unsubstantiated.
10.	Complaint	Complaint made by POI regarding the conduct of an Inspector when answering the phone.
	Outcome	An investigation was conducted. A determination was made that the complaint was unsubstantiated.

11.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a MOP claiming the Inspector did not proceed with investigations on an act of cruelty to a cat.
	Outcome	An investigation was conducted, including reviewing job details, notebook entries and information was provided by the Inspector. A determination was made that the complaint was unsubstantiated.
12.	Complaint	POI complaint received regarding seizure of animals.
	Outcome	An investigation was conducted, including reviewing job details, notebook entries and information was provided by the Inspector. A determination was made that the complaint was unsubstantiated. This matter is currently before the NSW Local Court.
13.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a MOP regarding an Inspector not attending to a cruelty complaint to their satisfaction.
	Outcome	An investigation was conducted, including reviewing job details, notebook entries and information was provided by the Inspector. A determination was made that the complaint was unsubstantiated.
14.	Complaint	Complaint made by POI regarding the conduct of an Inspector referring to the Inspector swearing.
	Outcome	An investigation was conducted, including reviewing job details, review of body worn camera footage and information was provided by the Inspector that attended to the cruelty complaint. A determination was made that the complaint was unsubstantiated.
15.	Complaint	Complaint made by MOP regarding the conduct of an Inspector, not taking a complaint seriously.
	Outcome	An investigation was conducted, including reviewing job details and information was provided by the Inspector. A determination was made that the complaint was unsubstantiated.
16.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a MOP claiming the Inspector was not returning their calls regarding abandoned dogs/cats.
	Outcome	An investigation was conducted, during which the Team Leader advised MOP that the inspector was no longer working at RSPCA NSW, and another Inspector had taken over this job. Accordingly, the phone number that the MOP was using was no longer operational. A determination was made that the complaint was unsubstantiated.
17.	Complaint	A complaint was received from an informant alleging an Inspector had disclosed their information to a POI.
	Outcome	An investigation was conducted, and the Inspector provided information about the matter, including admitting an error when providing footage of an unwell animal to a POI. The Inspector acknowledged their error immediately. A determination was made that the complaint was substantiated. The staff member was counselled by the Chief Inspector and committed to reviewing SOPS and internal documents. The Chief Inspector advised the informant of the determination, who communicated they were satisfied with outcome.

18.	Complaint	POI complaint received alleging that a cat and dogs had been seized "under false pretences".
	Outcome	An investigation was conducted, including reviewing job details, notebook entries and information was provided by the Inspector. A determination was made that the complaint was unsubstantiated. This matter is currently before the NSW Local Court.
19.	Complaint	POI complaint received regarding seizure of dog from property.
	Outcome	An investigation was conducted, including reviewing job details, notebook entries and information was provided by the Inspector. A determination was made that the complaint was unsubstantiated. This matter proceeded to prosecution before the NSW Local Court and is now finalised.
20.	Complaint	POI complaint received alleging a trespass.
	Outcome	An investigation was conducted, including reviewing job details and discussions with the Inspector that attended to the cruelty complaint. A determination was made that the complaint was unsubstantiated.
21.	Complaint	A complaint was received from an informant alleging an Inspector had disclosed their information to a POI.
	Outcome	An investigation was conducted, including reviewing job details, review of body worn camera footage and discussions with the Inspector that attended to the cruelty complaint. A determination was made that the complaint was unsubstantiated.
22.	Complaint	A complaint made by POI regarding the conduct of an Inspector during a phone call.
	Outcome	An investigation was conducted, including reviewing job details and discussions with the Inspector and listening to phone recording. A determination was made that the complaint was unsubstantiated.
23.	Complaint	A complaint was received from a MOP regarding an Inspector not satisfactorily attending to a cruelty complaint.
	Outcome	An investigation was conducted, including reviewing job details and discussions with the Inspector that attended to the cruelty complaint. A determination was made that the complaint was unsubstantiated.

(m) details of the training provided by the organisation for the organisation's officers during the reporting period for the report:

The following table details the training provided by RSPCA NSW for its officers during the reporting period.

Date	Course	Attendees
Multiple throughout year	First Aid	26
Multiple throughout year	Receiving & Attending to Complaints – In field	40
Multiple throughout year	CPR	30

8-9 July 2024, 11-12 July & 24-25 July	Safe Stock Handling	35
8 August 2024	Equine Training	2
27, 28 & 29 August 2024	Coxswain NC3 Certification – Inland Water Animal Rescue	11
28-29 August 2024	Humane Euthanasia Training Course	4
4 September 2024	Tactical Awareness	8
2 September 2024	Batons & Handcuffs	5
10 & 28 October 2024	Equine Training	26
29 October 2024	Firearms Training	14
6 November 2024	Firearms Training	8
6-7 November 2024	Humane Euthanasia Training Course	5
20 March 2025	Tactical Awareness	23
19 March 2025	Batons & Handcuffs	21
29 April 2025	Equine Training	5
May 2025	Internal Systems – AnimalOS, SAP Concur	1
May 2025	Standard Operating Procedures	1
May 2025	POCTAA, POCTAR & Codes	1
May 2025	Notebooks	1
May 2025	Complaint Management	1
May 2025	Inspectorate Equipment	1
May 2025	Emergency Procedures	1
May 2025	Enforcement Avenues	1
June 2025	SEINS	1
10 June 2025	Firearms Training	11

(n) the following information about access applications made to the organisation under the *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009*—

(i) the number of access applications:

RSPCA NSW received 16 requests for information under the GIPA Act over the reporting period. Of those, 9 were formal access applications and 7 were processed as informal requests.

(ii) the subject matter of each access application:

#	Ref.	Subject Matter	Application Type
1	GIPA24012	Details of cruelty complaint made against applicant and investigation outcome	Informal request
2	GIPA24013	Details of cruelty complaint made against applicant and investigation outcome	Access application
3	GIPA24014	Details of cruelty complaint made against applicant, and name and address of informant(s)	Access application
4	GIPA24015	Details of historical inspection of applicant's business in 1998	Informal request
5	GIPA24016	Investigation outcomes regarding cruelty complaints made against applicant	Access application
6	GIPA24017	All communications and documents exchanged between applicant's ex-partner and RSPCA NSW regarding the applicant and/or animals located at the applicant's property	Access application
7	GIPA24018	All information between 14.04.2022 - 09.09.2024 in which applicant's name is mentioned regarding cruelty complaint made against applicant	Access application
8	GIPA25001	Details of cruelty complaint made against applicant	Access application
9	GIPA25002	All information regarding cruelty complaint made against applicant, including all information regarding applicant's address and/or name	Informal request
10	GIPA25003	Documentation regarding RSPCA NSW protocols for exercising authorised officer powers (particularly powers to enter residential properties and seize animals without notice) and internal guidelines for liaising with members of the public	Informal request
11	GIPA25004	Specific video footage and/or still images of animal recorded by RSPCA NSW during inspection at a third party's property	Access application
12	GIPA25005	Outcome of historical complaint made by applicant's father	Informal request
13	GIPA25006	All information regarding horse falling at 2025 New Year's Day Moruya Rodeo event as per online video footage	Access application
14	GIPA25007	Details of cruelty complaint made against applicant, investigation outcomes, and details of informant(s)	Informal request
15	GIPA25008	Investigation findings and recommendations regarding 2020 shooting of cats at Stockton Breakwall	Informal request
16	GIPA25009	Details of remuneration of RSPCA NSW CEO and other executives, including key management personnel	Access application (invalid)

Informal requests for information	**7**
Access applications	**9**
TOTAL	**16**

(o) details of the number of complaints made under the *Ombudsman Act 1974* about the organisation and appointed officers employed by the organisation, and the outcome of the complaints:

RSPCA NSW was notified of one complaint made under the *Ombudsman Act 1974* (NSW) regarding the organisation or its appointed officers in the reporting period.

1.	Complaint	A complaint was received from the Ombudsman from a POI regarding an Inspector attending their property.
	Outcome	Following an investigation by the Ombudsman, a request was made asking the Inspector to contact the complainant, which was undertaken, and no further action was taken on this complaint.

(p) a list of current memorandums of understanding or other service-level agreements, however described, between the organisation and the State or another approved charitable organisation:

RSPCA NSW has an MoU or SLA with the following organisations:

- NSW Police
- Revenue NSW
- NSW Department of Primary Industries & Regional Development
- NSW Office of the Children's Guardian

RSPCA NSW submits this report to the Minister in accordance with section 34B of the Act.

Scott Meyers
Chief Inspector
RSPCA NSW

30 September 2025
REVISED 22 October 2025

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Pending
Finalised
Withdrawn

[1]All charges under *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979* unless otherwise specified.
[2]All ancillary orders under *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979* unless otherwise specified.

Standard conditions of Conditional Release Orders & Community Correction Orders:
1. Must not commit any offence
2. Must appear before the court if called on to do so at any time during the term of the order

Standard conditions of Intensive Correction Orders:
1. Must not commit any offence
2. Must submit to supervision by a community corrections officer

#	Approval No	Date Approved	Date Finalised	Outcome	Court	Accused	Charges[1]	Orders[2]	Year Commenced
1	21-1617	7/04/2021		Found guilty after hearing. Failed to appear for sentencing.	Wollongong LC	[redacted]	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 6 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 6 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - s 25(2) warrant for arrest for sentencing issued 16/06/2023	2020/21
2	21-1675	7/12/2021	11/08/2025	LC: Pleaded guilty. DC: Severity appeal filed. Plea traversal sought; matter returned to LC. LC: Application to change plea struck out (no jurisdiction). DC: Conviction and severity appeals ongoing.	Campbelltown LC Campbelltown DC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	19/10/2023: Convicted and sentenced 8/04/2024: Matter remitted to LC for plea traversal hearing 14/01/2025: s 216 *Criminal Procedure Act 1986* (CPA) costs: $1,000.00 6/02/2025: Application to change plea under s 207 CPA struck out (no jurisdiction) Ongoing - Listed for conviction (plea traversal - leave application) and severity appeal hearings 11/08/2025	2021/22
3	21-1701	23/02/2022		LC: Found guilty after hearing. DC: Conviction and severity appeals ongoing.	Katoomba LC Penrith DC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	9/04/2025: Convicted and sentenced Ongoing - Listed for conviction and severity appeal hearing 29/8/2025	2021/22

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4	21-1720	27/04/2022		LC: Found guilty after hearing (6 x charges). Pleaded guilty (1 x charge). Section 14 application dismissed. DC: Conviction appeal ongoing.	Newtown LC Downing Centre DC	[redacted]	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 6 x Proprietor/management not comply requirements of clause	20/12/2023: Application under s 14 *Mental Health and Cognitive Impairment Forensic Provisions Act 2020* **(MHCIFP Act)** dismissed 6/03/2024: Convicted and sentenced Ongoing - Listed for NOM hearing 8/08/2025	2021/22
5	21-1734	2/06/2022		LC: Found guilty after hearing. DC: Conviction and severity appeals ongoing.	Liverpool LC Parramatta DC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink 1 x Tether animal with unreasonably short tether	4/04/2025: Convicted and sentenced Ongoing - Listed for mention (conviction and severity appeal) 6/06/2025	2021/22
6	23-1771	6/10/2022	19/09/2024	LC: Found guilty in absence. Annulment application dismissed. DC: Annulment appeal dismissed.	Campbelltown LC Campbelltown DC		3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	9/11/2022: Convicted and sentenced in absence 13/08/2024: Annulment application under s 4 *Crimes (Appeal & Review) Act 2001* **(CARA)** dismissed 19/09/2024: Annulment appeal dismissed LC orders confirmed: Convicted Fined $1,000.00 per offence ($3,000.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years tdf 29/05/2024 s 30A costs: $4,313.60 s 215 CPA costs: $102.00 s 122 *Fines Act 1996* **(FA)**: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2022/23

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7	23-1820	18/04/2023	21/03/2025	LC: Pleaded guilty. Plea traversal granted prior to sentence. Found guilty after hearing. DC: Severity appeal allowed.	Taree LC Taree DC	[redacted]	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	17/07/2024: Plea of guilty withdrawn 26/11/2024: Convicted and sentenced 21/03/2025: Severity appeal allowed, LC sentence set aside In lieu: Convicted CCO - 12 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 215 CPA costs: $510.00	2022/23
8	23-1821	19/04/2023	29/11/2024	LC: Pleaded guilty. DC: Section 14 application and conviction appeal dismissed. Severity appeal allowed.	Burwood LC Downing Centre DC		2 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of cruelty Form 1 additional offences: 4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	21/11/2023: s 31(5) interim disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody 8/02/2024: Convicted and sentenced 29/11/2024: Application under s 14 MHCIFP Act dismissed; conviction appeal dismissed LC convictions confirmed Severity appeal allowed, LC sentence set aside In lieu: Convicted CCO - 18 months - standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Supervision by Parramatta Community Corrections (CC) office; perform 100 hours Community Service Work (CSW); accept and undergo all rehabilitation and treatment required, and accept any reasonable requests to undertake psychological treatment; report to Parramatta CC office within 7 days Fined: /001 - $1,500.00 /003 - $1,000.00 /004 - $1,000.00 /005 - $1,000.00 /010 - $1,500.00 ($6,000.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 215 CPA costs: $102.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2022/23

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9	23-1826	4/05/2023	4/09/2025	Pleaded guilty	Wyong LC	[redacted]	1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Finalised concurrently with 24-1925 Convicted /002 & /003 - CCO - 24 months - standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Perform 100 hours CSW; supervision by Wyong CC office; report to Wyong CC office within 7 days /001 - s 10A conviction with no other penalty s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs: $7,811.74 s 215 CPA costs: $102.00	2022/23
10	23-1827	4/05/2023	4/09/2025	Pleaded guilty	Wyong LC		1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted /002 & /003 - CCO - 24 months - standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Supervision by Wyong CC office; report to Wyong CC office within 7 days /001 - s 10A conviction with no other penalty s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs: $7,811.74 s 215 CPA costs: $102.00	2022/23
11	23-1831	4/05/2023		Found guilty in absence. Annulment application granted. Summary hearing ongoing.	Campbelltown LC		4 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	24/04/2024: Convicted and sentenced in absence 15/01/2025: Annulment application under s 4 CARA granted Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 30/07/2025	2022/23
12	23-1838	24/05/2023		Summary hearing ongoing	Parramatta LC		3 x Fail to provide vet treatment 2 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Confine animal in cage dimensions inadequate for exercise 1 x Give false or misleading microchip identification number	Ongoing - Listed for decision 4/07/2025	2022/23

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13	23-1844	21/06/2023	1/11/2024	Found guilty in absence. Annulment application granted. Section 14 application granted.	Penrith LC	[redacted]	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Tether animal for unreasonable time	12/10/2023: Convicted and sentenced. 9/05/2024: Annulment application under s 4 CARA granted 1/11/2024: s 14(1)(a) *Mental Health and Cognitive Impairment Forensic Provisions Act 2020* **(MHCIFP Act)** - charges dismissed and defendant conditionally discharged into care of GP Conditions: Compliance with Justice Advocacy Service treatment plan of 30/10/2024	2022/23
14	23-1845	21/06/2023	2/08/2024	Application for permanent stay withdrawn. Section 14 application granted.	Armidale LC		4 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Tether animal for unreasonable time 1 x Tether animal with unreasonably short tether	Finalised concurrently with 24-1933 Stay application withdrawn s 14(1)(c) MHCIFP Act - charges dismissed and defendant discharged unconditionally s 30A costs: $1,985.25 Signed undertaking not to own or otherwise be involved in the keeping or care of any animal	2022/23
15	23-1846	21/06/2023	2/08/2024	Section 14 application granted	Armidale LC		4 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Tether animal for unreasonable time 1 x Tether animal with unreasonably short tether	Finalised concurrently with 24-1932 s 14(1)(a) MHCIFP Act - charges dismissed and defendant conditionally discharged into care of GP Conditions: Adhere to treatment plan; for the term of the order [12 months] the accused must not possess or care for any animal/pet	2022/23
16	23-1848	19/07/2023		Summary hearing ongoing	Cessnock LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Part-heard - Listed for summary hearing 8/09/2025 & 9/09/2025 (Days 4 & 5)	2023/24
17	23-1849	19/07/2023	21/10/2024	Found guilty in absence. Annulment on Court's motion granted. Pleaded guilty.	Maitland LC		1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Confine animal in cage dimensions inadequate for exercise	16/04/2024: Convicted 8/05/2024: Annulment on Court's motion under s 4A CARA granted 21/10/2024: Convicted /001 - CCO - 2 years - standard conditions /002 - CCO - 12 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $15,112.22 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00	2023/24

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18	23-1852	19/07/2023	14/10/2024	Pleaded guilty	Campbelltown LC	[redacted]	1 x Commit an act of cruelty Form 1 additional offence: 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CCO - 18 months - standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Supervision by Campbelltown CC office; report to Campbelltown CC office within 7 days; participate in mental health assessment, follow treatment plan, and follow all reasonable directions of treatment team; participate in drug and alcohol rehabilitation program s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $4,000.00 s 215 CPA costs: $102.00	2023/24
19	23-1856	18/08/2023	24/06/2025	Found guilty in absence. Annulment application granted. Section 14 application dismissed. Found guilty after hearing.	Blacktown LC		1 x Commit an act of cruelty 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	1/10/2024: Convicted and sentenced in absence 9/12/2024: Annulment application under s 4 CARA granted 20/02/2025: Application under s 14 MHCIFP Act dismissed 24/06/2025: Convicted Fined $200.00 per offence ($600.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification: 5 years s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
20	23-1858	28/08/2023	2/07/2024	Section 14 application dismissed. Pleaded guilty.	Mudgee LC		1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	14/05/2024: Application under s 14 MHCIFP Act dismissed 2/07/2024: Conditional Release Order (CRO) without conviction - 12 months - standard conditions	2023/24

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21	23-1859	28/08/2023	11/11/2024	Pleaded guilty	Liverpool LC	[redacted]	8 x Fail to provide vet treatment	23/09/2024: s 31(1)(5) interim disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody 11/11/2024: Convicted /001 - /004 & /006 - Conditional Release Order (CRO) - 18 months - standard conditions /005 - CRO - 2 years - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 4 years s 30A costs: $50,000.00 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00	2023/24
22	N/A	9/08/2023		Summary hearing ongoing	Burwood LC		3 x Fail to provide vet treatment 10 x Proprietor/management not comply requirements of clause	Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 10/11/2025 & 11/11/2025 (Days 3 & 4)	2023/24
23	N/A	9/08/2023		Summary hearing ongoing	Burwood LC		3 x Fail to provide vet treatment 10 x Proprietor/management not comply requirements of clause	Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 10/11/2024 & 11/11/2025 (Days 3 & 4)	2023/24
24	23-1860	13/09/2023	22/04/2025	LC: Pleaded guilty. DC: Severity appeal dismissed.	Liverpool LC		8 x Fail to provide vet treatment	23/09/2024: s 31(1)(5) interim disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody 22/04/2025: Leave to file appeal out of time under s 13(1) CARA granted Severity appeal dismissed LC orders confirmed tdf 11/11/2024: Convicted /001 - /004 & /006 - CRO - 12 months - standard conditions /005 - CRO - 18 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 4 years s 30A costs: $50,000.00 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00	2023/24

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25	23-1863	13/09/2023	2/06/2025	LC: Pleaded guilty. DC: Section 14 application and conviction appeal dismissed. Severity appeal allowed.	Campbelltown LC Campbelltown DC	[redacted]	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Application under s 14 MHCIFP Act dismissed; conviction appeal dismissed LC convictions confirmed Severity appeal allowed, LC sentence set aside In lieu: Convicted /001 & /004 - CRO - 2 years - standard & additional conditions Additional condition: Must maintain ongoing and consistent treatment for autism spectrum disorder and anxiety s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $14,418.75 s 215 CPA costs: $346.64	2023/24
26	23-1870	8/11/2023	18/10/2024	Pleaded guilty	Waverley LC		2 x Commit an act of cruelty	Convicted CCO - 2 years - standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Continue mental health treatment; not to posses any animal as owner or custodian s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $5,000.00	2023/24
27	N/A	10/11/2023	24/07/2024	Withdrawn	Wollongong LC		1 x Fail to exercise supervision	Charge withdrawn and dismissed	2022/23
28	N/A	10/11/2023	24/07/2024	Pleaded guilty	Wollongong LC		3 x Fail to exercise supervision	Convicted /001, /002 & /005 - s 10A conviction with no other penalty s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 7 years s 30A costs: $1,080.00 s 215 CPA costs: $2,756.16	2022/23
29	23-1877	4/12/2023	12/11/2024	LC: Pleaded guilty. DC: Leave for conviction appeal (plea traversal) refused. Severity appeal dismissed.	Campbelltown LC Campbelltown DC		1 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	17/06/2024: Convicted and sentenced 12/11/2024: Application for leave to appeal against conviction (plea traversal) refused Severity appeal dismissed LC orders confirmed: Convicted Fined $200.00 per offence ($400.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years s 30A costs: $2,000.00 s 215 CPA costs: $105.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24

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30	23-1879	4/12/2023		Section 14 application dismissed. Summary hearing ongoing.	Burwood LC	[redacted]	7 x Fail to provide vet treatment 2 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient shelter 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink 4 x Proprietor/management not comply requirements of clause	31/03/2025: Application under s 14 MHCIFP Act dismissed Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 30/07/2025	2023/24
31	23-1884	19/12/2023	5/07/2024	Pleaded guilty	Sutherland LC		1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	CRO without conviction - 18 months - standard conditions s 30A costs: $7,669.48. s 215 CPA costs: $10,220.41.	2023/24
32	23-1889	19/12/2023	25/07/2024	Found guilty in absence	Campbelltown LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	8/02/2024: Convicted s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody 25/07/2024: CRO - 12 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs: $2,736.50 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00	2023/24
33	23-1891	15/01/2024	10/07/2024	Pleaded guilty	Tumut LC		3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted /001 - CCO - 2 years - standard conditions /001 - /003 - Fined $500.00 per offence ($1,500.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $6,628.65 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00	2023/24
34	23-1892	15/01/2024	12/09/2024	Pleaded guilty	Blacktown LC		1 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CRO - 14 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years	2023/24
35	23-1893	15/01/2024	18/07/2024	Pleaded guilty	Blacktown LC		1 x Commit an act of cruelty 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CRO - 12 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years s 215 CPA costs: $345.68	2023/24

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36	23-1894	15/01/2024	18/11/2024	LC: Pleaded guilty. DC: Conviction appeal (plea traversal) dismissed. Severity appeal dismissed.	Albury LC Albury DC	[redacted]	1 x Confine animal in cage dimensions inadequate for exercise 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient shelter 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 3 x Advertise dog for sale not include required information 4 x Proprietor/management not comply requirements of clause	13/03/2024: Convicted and sentenced 18/11/2024: Leave to appeal against conviction granted Conviction and severity appeals dismissed LC orders confirmed: Convicted Fined: /001 - $500.00 /003 - $1,000.00 /009 - $500.00 ($2,000.00 total) /002, /004 - /008 & /010 - s 10A conviction with no other penalty s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs: $2,000.00	2023/24
37	23-1897	15/01/2024	23/05/2025	LC: Section 14 application dismissed. Pleaded guilty. DC: Severity appeal withdrawn.	Armidale LC Armidale DC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to comply with s 24N notice 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of cruelty	16/09/2024: Application under s 14 MHCIFP Act dismissed 17/01/2025: Convicted and sentenced 23/05/2025: Severity appeal withdrawn and dismissed LC orders confirmed: Convicted /001, /005 & /007 - Full-time imprisonment - 8 months aggregate (non-parole period **(NPP)** 4 months) tdf 17/01/2025 Indicative sentences: 8 months (/001) and 4 months (/005 & /007) /003 - s 10A conviction with no other penalty s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge tdf 23/05/2025 s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 10 years tdf 23/05/2025 s 30A costs: $2,304.56 s 215 CPA costs: $258.50	2023/24
38	23-1899	22/01/2024	28/11/2024	Pleaded guilty	Yass LC		3 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Convicted CCO - 2 years - standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Supervision by Goulburn CC office; engage in counselling and support for isolation and apparent depressed state; report to Goulburn CC office within 7 days s 215 CPA costs: $114.00	2023/24

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39	23-1902	22/01/2024	29/07/2024	Found guilty after hearing (7 x charges). Pleaded guilty (1 x charge).	Muswellbrook LC	[redacted]	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 5 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink 1 x Fail to comply with disqualification order	Convicted Fined $500.00 per offence ($4,000.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(b) disqualification: 5 years s 30A costs $28,257.95 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
40	23-1903	8/03/2024	17/09/2024	Pleaded guilty	Maitland LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Convicted Intensive Correction Order (ICO) - 6 months - standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Report to Maitland CC office within 7 days; not to enter certain address s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years	2023/24
41	23-1909	8/03/2024	25/07/2024	Pleaded guilty	Blacktown LC		5 x Fail to provide vet treatment 2 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Convicted /013 & /014 - CCO - 12 months - standard conditions /013 & /014 - Fined $1,800.00 per offence ($3,600.00 total) /002 - /005 & /010 - CRO - 12 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs: $5,000.00 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
42	23-1910	8/03/2024		Interim disposal application dismissed. Pleaded guilty. Section 14 application and sentence proceedings ongoing.	Picton LC		3 x Fail to provide vet treatment Form 1 additional offences: 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	To be heard concurrently with 25-1954 17/03/2025: Interim disposal application under s 31(4) dismissed Ongoing - Listed for section 14 application and/or sentence 21/07/2025	2023/24
43	23-1913	8/03/2024		LC: Pleaded guilty. DC: Conviction (plea traversal) and severity appeals ongoing.	Fairfield LC Parramatta DC		10 x Proprietor/management not comply requirements of clause 12 x Fail to provide vet treatment	To be heard concurrently with 23-1923 11/09/2024: Convicted and sentenced Ongoing - Listed for conviction (plea traversal) and severity appeal hearings 21/08/2025	2023/24

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44	23-1914	8/03/2024	31/10/2024	Found guilty in absence. Annulment application granted. Pleaded guilty.	Gosford LC	[redacted]	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 6 x Proprietor/management not comply requirements of clause	2/05/2024: Convicted in absence 16/05/2024: Annulment application under s 4 CARA granted 5/09/2024: Convicted s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years 31/10/2024: /001 & /002 - CCO - 2 years - standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Supervision by Gosford CC Office; report to Gosford CC office within 7 days; attend GP to obtain Mental Health Care Plan; follow all reasonable directions by Community Corrections Officer re: mental health treatment and counselling for PTSD Fined: /003 - $600.00 /004 - $900.00 /005 - $1,100.00 /006 - $1,100.00 /007 - $1,100.00 /008 - $900.00 ($5,700.00 total) s 30A costs: $4,509.00 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
45	23-1915	8/03/2024	23/08/2024	Pleaded guilty. Section 14 application granted.	Penrith LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	s 14(1)(a) MHCIFP Act - charges dismissed and defendant conditionally discharged into care of psychologist Conditions: Defendant to come under care of psychologist for a period no less than 12 months; individual psychological sessions to be scheduled [on] 3-weekly basis and, once further improvement is seen, the period between sessions will extend as determined by psychologist; defendant to attend the next consultation with psychologist on 09/09/2024; defendant to receive Cognitive Behaviour Therapy aimed at anxiety reduc[tion] and emotional regulation s 30A costs: $831.91 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00	2023/24

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46	23-1917	8/03/2024	7/01/2025	Pleaded guilty	Armidale LC	[redacted]	1 x Commit an act of cruelty Form 1 additional offence: 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CCO - 18 months - standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Supervision by Armidale CC office; abstain from alcohol and drugs; report to Armidale CC office by COB 8/01/2025 s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs $2,159.78 s 215 CPA costs: $260.00	2023/24
47	23-1918	9/03/2024	18/03/2025	Section 14 application dismissed. Pleaded guilty.	Armidale LC		1 x Commit an act of cruelty Form 1 additional offence: 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	7/01/2025: Application under s 14 MHCIFP Act dismissed Convicted s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years 18/03/2025: ICO - 12 months - standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Not to leave residence between 7:00 pm - 7:00 am unless in company of adult; perform 100 hours CSW; continue to consult psychologist including completion of an individualised men's behaviour program; report to Armidale CC office by 4 pm 18/03/2025	2023/24
48	23-1923	14/03/2024		LC: Pleaded guilty. DC: Conviction (plea traversal) and severity appeals ongoing.	Fairfield LC Parramatta DC		6 x Proprietor/management not comply requirements of clause	To be heard concurrently with 23-1913 11/09/2024: Convicted and sentenced Ongoing - Listed for conviction (plea traversal) and severity appeal hearings 21/08/2025	2023/24
49	24-1925	11/05/2024	4/06/2025	Pleaded guilty	Wyong LC		2 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Finalised concurrently with 23-1826 Convicted /001 & /003 - CCO - 24 months - standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Perform 200 hours CSW; supervision by Wyong CC office; report to Wyong CC office within 7 days /005 & /006 - s 10A conviction with no other penalty s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 215 CPA costs: $102.00	2023/24
50	24-1926	11/05/2024	11/07/2024	Pleaded guilty	Wollongong LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	CRO without conviction - 12 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years s 30A costs: $290.00 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00	2023/24

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51	24-1927	11/05/2024	13/02/2025	Found guilty after hearing	Armidale LC	[redacted]	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Convicted Fined $5,500.00 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
52	24-1928	11/05/2024	11/12/2024	Found guilty in absence. Annulment application granted. Pleaded guilty.	Bankstown LC		4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	31/07/2024: Convicted and sentenced in absence 11/12/2024: Annulment application under s 4 CARA granted Convicted Fined $300.00 per offence ($1,200.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years s 30A costs: $2,003.24 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00	2023/24
53	24-1929	11/05/2024	6/08/2024	Pleaded guilty	Muswellbrook LC		3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined $1,000.00 per offence ($3,000.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $5,976.32 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
54	24-1930	11/05/2024	9/08/2024	Pleaded guilty	Maitland LC		1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Convicted CCO - 12 months - standard conditions Fined $1,100.00 s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $5,580.43 s 215 CPA costs: $303.01 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24

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55	24-1931	11/05/2024	16/07/2024	Found guilty in absence	Penrith LC	[redacted]	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	4/07/2024: Convicted in absence s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs: $6,577.21 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00 16/07/2024: Convicted CCO - 12 months - standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Supervision by Penrith CC office; participate in drug and mental health treatment	2023/24
56	24-1932	23/05/2024	2/08/2024	Section 14 application granted	Armidale LC		5 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Finalised concurrently with 23-1846 s 14(1)(a) MHCIFP Act - charges dismissed and defendant conditionally discharged into care of GP Conditions: Adhere to treatment plan; for the term of the order [12 months] the accused must not possess or care for any animal/pet s 30A costs: $12,330.11	2023/24
57	24-1933	23/05/2024	2/08/2024	Application for permanent stay withdrawn. Section 14 application granted.	Armidale LC		5 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Finalised concurrently with 23-1845 Stay application withdrawn s 14(1)(c) MHCIFP Act - charges dismissed and defendant discharged unconditionally Signed undertaking not to own or otherwise be involved in the keeping or care of any animal	2023/24
58	24-1934	23/05/2024		LC: Found guilty after hearing DC: Conviction appeal withdrawn. Severity appeal ongoing.	Nyngan LC Dubbo DC		2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	27/02/2025: Convicted and sentenced 28/04/2025: Conviction appeal withdrawn and dismissed Ongoing - Listed for severity appeal hearing 5/08/2025	2023/24
59	24-1935	14/06/2024	8/08/2024	Pleaded guilty	Wollongong LC		3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CCO - 18 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years s 30A costs: $8,438.72 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00	2023/24

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60	24-1936	14/06/2024	25/02/2025	Found guilty in absence. Annulment application granted. Pleaded guilty.	Wollongong LC	[redacted]	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	18/07/2025: Convicted in absence 31/01/2025: Annulment application under s 4 CARA granted 14/02/2025: Convicted CCO - 2 years - standard & additional conditions Additional condition: Must not acquire, keep or own any animal other than existing cat 'Princess' s 30A costs: $12,304.91 25/02/2025: s 215 CPA costs: $500.00	2023/24
61	24-1937	14/06/2024	19/11/2024	Found guilty in absence	Muswellbrook LC		5 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Convicted /001 & /002 - Fined $1,000.00 per offence ($2,000.00 total) /003 - /006 - s 10A conviction with no other penalty s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $1,786.58 s 215 CPA costs: $379.24 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
62	24-1938	14/06/2024	28/02/2025	Found guilty in absence	Lismore LC		2 x Abandon an animal	Convicted Fined $800.00 per offence ($1,600.00 total) s 215 CPA costs: $245.48 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
63	24-1939	14/06/2024	27/08/2024	Section 14 application granted	Liverpool LC		4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	s 14(1)(a) MHCIFP Act - charges dismissed and defendant conditionally discharged into care of psychiatrist Conditions: Attend all appointments at Clozapine Clinic as scheduled, currently every four weeks; attend reviews with treating psychiatrist at Clozapine Clinic; attend appointments with GP for review, blood checks, and administration of monthly injectable medications as prescribed and/or adjusted by psychiatrist or GP, and remain compliant with all prescribed medications; abstain from all illicit substances	2023/24

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64	24-1940	18/06/2024	28/05/2025	Pleaded guilty	Sutherland LC	[redacted]	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CCO - 12 months - standard conditions Fined $5,500.00 s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $8,000.00 s 215 CPA costs: $797.45 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24
65	24-1941	18/06/2024	16/06/2025	LC: Found guilty after hearing. DC: Conviction and severity appeals dismissed.	Windsor LC Penrith DC		1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	28/03/2025: Convicted and sentenced 16/06/2025: Conviction and severity appeals dismissed LC orders confirmed: s 10A conviction with no other penalty s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years tdf 16/06/2025	2023/24
66	24-1942	18/06/2024		Summary hearing ongoing	Liverpool LC		15 x Fail to provide vet treatment 2 x confine in cage of dimensions inadequate for exercise 1 x Tether animal for unreasonable time 1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Ongoing - Listed for hearing 28/07/2025 & 29/07/2025	2023/24
67	24-1943	21/06/2024	2/08/2024	Pleaded guilty	Downing Centre LC		1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined $3,000.00 s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 215 CPA costs: $110.00	2023/24
68	24-1944	28/06/2024	26/02/2025	Pleaded guilty	Tamworth LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	CRO without conviction - 2 years - standard & additional conditions Additional condition: To consider at all times when providing for animals that he is providing adequate supervision for their care s 30A costs $672.55 s 215 CPA costs: $114	2023/24
69	24-1945	25/06/2024	12/12/2024	Pleaded guilty	Picton LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted /001 - ICO - 12 months - standard & additional conditions Additional condition: Perform 100 hours CSW /002 - /004 - Fined $500.00 per offence ($1,500.00 total) s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 10 years s 30A costs: $5,144.50 s 215 CPA costs: $912.91 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2023/24

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70	24-1946	26/06/2024		Found guilty in absence. Sentence proceedings ongoing.	Gosford LC	[redacted]	4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	To be heard concurrently with 25-1961 22/08/2024: Convicted in absence Ongoing - Listed for sentence 17/07/2025	2023/24
71	25-1947	2/07/2024	19/12/2024	LC: Pleaded guilty. DC: Severity appeal allowed.	Picton LC Campbelltown DC		2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Proprietor/management not comply requirements of clause Form 1 additional offences: 8 x Proprietor/management not comply requirements of clause	Finalised concurrently with 25-1960 1/11/2024: Convicted and sentenced 19/12/2024: Severity appeal allowed s 31(1)(b) disqualification order varied LC orders otherwise confirmed (see further orders at 25-1960): Convicted /001 - CCO - 2 years - standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Supervision by Campbelltown CC office; perform 250 hours CSW; report to Campbelltown CC office within 7 days Fined: /003 - $2,000.00 /004 - $1,500.00 ($3,500.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs: $30,000.00 s 215 CPA costs: $114.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25
72	25-1948	2/07/2024	14/08/2024	Pleaded guilty	Fairfield		3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined: /001 - $2,000.00 /002 - $750.00 /003 - $2,500.00 ($5,250.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $3,939.10 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25

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73	25-1949	3/07/2024	1/08/2024	Pleaded guilty	Kempsey LC	[redacted]	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Fail to provide adequate exercise to confined animal	Convicted /001 - /003 - CCO - 12 months - standard conditions /004 - CCO - 6 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 215 CPA costs: $114.00	2024/25
74	25-1950	3/07/2024	1/08/2024	Pleaded guilty	Kempsey LC		2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CCO - 12 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 215 CPA costs: $114.00	2024/25
75	25-1951	4/07/2024	28/08/2024	Pleaded guilty	Muswellbrook LC		3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted /001 - CCO - 12 months - standard & additional conditions Additional condition: Supervision by Muswellbrook CC office /002 & /003 - Fined $500.00 per offence ($1,000.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $3,631.59 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25
76	25-1952	8/07/2024	14/11/2024	Pleaded guilty	Liverpool LC		1 x Commit an act of cruelty 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted /001 - ICO - 9 months - standard conditions (finding of exceptional circumstances, no additional condition imposed) /002 & /003 - CCO - 2 years - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years s 30A costs: $4,974.35 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00	2024/25
77	25-1953	16/07/2024	22/10/2024	Pleaded guilty	Maitland LC		3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CCO - 12 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 215 CPA costs: $235.94	2024/25
78	25-1954	25/07/2024		Interim disposal application dismissed. Pleaded guilty. Section 14 application and sentence proceedings ongoing.	Picton LC		4 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of cruelty Form 1 additional offence: 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	To be heard concurrently with 23-1910 17/03/2025: Interim disposal application under s 31(4) dismissed Ongoing - Listed for section 14 application and/or sentence 21/07/2025	2024/25

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79	25-1955	25/07/2024	26/06/2025	LC: Found guilty after hearing. DC: Conviction and severity appeals dismissed.	Armidale LC Armidale DC	[redacted]	8 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Hinder/obstruct other person exercising authority under Act	15/04/2025: Convicted and sentenced 26/06/2025: Conviction and severity appeals dismissed LC orders confirmed: Convicted /016 - CRO - 12 months - standard conditions Fined: /002, /003 & /005 - $550.00 per offence /009, /010, /012, /013 & /015 - $150.00 per offence ($2,400.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 30A costs: $11,329.63 s 215 CPA costs: $422.77 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25
80	25-1956	25/07/2024		Summary hearing ongoing	Nowra LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 10 x Commit an act of cruelty 2 x Fail to comply with disqualification order	To be heard concurrently with 25-1957, 25-1958, 25-1959, 25-1963, 25-1972 and 25-1981 Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 13/10/2025 - 17/10/2025	2024/25
81	25-1957	25/07/2024		Summary hearing ongoing	Nowra LC		4 x Fail to comply with disqualification order 1 x Commit an act of cruelty 4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	To be heard concurrently with 25-1956, 25-1958, 25-1959, 25-1963, 25-1972 and 25-1981 Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 13/10/2025 - 17/10/2025	2024/25
82	25-1958	25/07/2024		Summary hearing ongoing	Nowra LC		7 x Fail to comply with disqualification order 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of cruelty	To be heard concurrently with 25-1956, 25-1957, 25-1959, 25-1963, 25-1972 and 25-1981 Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 13/10/2025 - 17/10/2025	2024/25
83	25-1959	1/08/2024		Summary hearing ongoing	Nowra LC		4 x Fail to comply with disqualification order 1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	To be heard concurrently with 25-1956, 25-1957, 25-1958, 25-1963, 25-1972 and 25-1981 Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 13/10/2025 - 17/10/2025	2024/25
84	N/A	1/08/2024	15/09/2025	Withdrawn	Burwood LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Defendant deceased, charges withdrawn and dismissed	2024/25

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85	25-1960	5/08/2024	19/12/2024	LC: Pleaded guilty. DC: Severity appeal allowed.	Picton LC Campbelltown DC	[redacted]	4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Finalised concurrently with 25-1947 1/11/2024: Convicted and sentenced 19/12/2024: Severity appeal allowed s 31(1)(b) disqualification order varied (attached to 25-1947) LC orders otherwise confirmed (see further orders at 25-1947): Convicted /007 - /009 & /011 - Fined $2,000.00 per offence ($8,000.00 total) s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25
86	25-1961	7/08/2024		Found guilty in absence. Sentence proceedings ongoing.	Gosford LC		2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Tether animal with unreasonably short tether 1 x Tether animal for unreasonable time 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink	To be heard concurrently with 24-1946 22/08/2024: Convicted in absence s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody Ongoing - Listed for sentence 17/07/2025	2024/25
87	25-1962	9/08/2024	10/10/2024	Found guilty in absence	Bankstown LC		1 x Commit an act of cruelty	11/09/2024: Convicted in absence s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years 10/10/2024: Convicted Fined $2,000.00 s 30A costs: $3,905.38 s 215 CPA costs: $114.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25
88	25-1963	9/08/2024		Summary hearing ongoing	Nowra LC		1 x Fail to comply with disqualification order	To be heard concurrently with 25-1956, 25-1957, 25-1958, 25-1959, 25-1972 and 25-1981 Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 13/10/2025 - 17/10/2025	2024/25
89	25-1964	12/08/2024	24/10/2024	Pleaded guilty	Wollongong LC		1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	s 10A conviction with no other penalty s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $3,959.75 s 215 CPA costs: $114.00	2024/25

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90	25-1965	12/08/2024	3/03/2025	Pleaded guilty	Nowra LC	[redacted]	1 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CCO - 12 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $10,633.24	2024/25
91	25-1966	21/08/2024		Summary hearing ongoing	Port Macquarie LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 26/08/2025 & 27/08/2025 (Days 3 & 4)	2024/25
92	25-1968	28/08/2024	19/05/2025	Found guilty in absence	Blayney LC		1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	14/11/2024: Convicted in absence s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $7,813.40 s 215 CPA costs: $114.00 19/05/2025: Convicted ICO - 11 months - standard & additional conditions Additional condition: Participate in drug and alcohol counselling s 30A costs: $1,855.56	2024/25
93	25-1969	29/08/2024	27/11/2025	Found guilty in absence	Cowra LC		1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined: /001 - $400.00 /002 - /004 - $500.00 per offence ($1,900.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $5,000.00	2024/25
94	25-1970	2/09/2024	18/06/2025	Pleaded guilty	Campbelltown LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CCO - 2 years - standard conditions Fined: /001 - $2,000.00 /002 - $3,000.00 ($5,000.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 215 CPA costs: $324.43 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25

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95	25-1971	9/09/2024	17/12/2024	Pleaded guilty	Maitland LC	[redacted]	2 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	CCO - 2 years -standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Supervision by Maitland CC office; perform 250 hours CSW; report to Maitland CC office within 48 hours s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs: $1,758.52 s 215 CPA costs: $214.72	2024/25
96	25-1972	3/09/2024		Summary hearing ongoing	Nowra LC		1 x Fail to comply with disqualification order	To be heard concurrently with 25-1956, 25-1957, 25-1958, 25-1959, 25-1963 and 25-1981 Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 13/10/2025 - 17/10/2025	2024/25
97	25-1973	9/09/2024		Summary hearing ongoing	Penrith LC		1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 13/08/2025	2024/25
98	25-1974	10/09/2024	10/03/2025	Pleaded guilty	Batemans Bay LC		1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink 1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Convicted CCO - 12 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 10 years s 30A costs: $5,752.38 s 215 CPA costs: $114.00	2024/25
99	25-1975	16/09/2024	23/01/2025	Found guilty in absence	Raymond Terrace LC		2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined $2,000.00 per offence ($4,000.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $7,638.95 s 215 CPA costs: $141.15 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25
100	25-1976	19/09/2024		Found guilty in absence	Mt Druitt LC		8 x Fail to provide vet treatment	20/11/2024: Convicted in absence s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years s 30A costs: $2,957.69 s 215 CPA costs: $114.00 Ongoing - s 25(2) warrant for arrest for sentencing issued 20/11/2024	2024/25

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101	25-1977	20/09/2024	6/12/2024	Found guilty in absence	Goulburn LC	[redacted]	1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink	9/10/2024: Convicted in absence 6/12/2024: Convicted Fined $1,000.00 per offence ($2,000.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $20,717.03 s 215 CPA costs: $114.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25
102	25-1978	26/09/2024	26/11/2024	Found guilty in absence	Muswellbrook LC		1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined: /001 - $1,000.00 /002 & /003 - $2,000 per offence ($5,000.00 total) s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 215 CPA costs: $168.91 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25
103	25-1979	26/09/2024	21/11/2024	Found guilty in absence	Orange LC		1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined $1,100.00 s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years s 30A costs: $6,912.82 s 215 CPA costs: $114.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25
104	25-1980	2/10/2024	16/01/2025	Pleaded guilty	Singleton LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Convicted ICO - 18 months - standard & additional conditions Additional condition: Must submit to a mental health assessment and comply with any reasonable directions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 215 CPA costs: $220.00	2024/25
105	25-1981	3/10/2024		Summary hearing ongoing	Nowra LC		2 x Fail to comply with disqualification order	To be heard concurrently with 25-1956, 25-1957, 25-1958, 25-1959, 25-1963 and 25-1972 Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 13/10/2025 - 17/10/2025	2024/25

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106	25-1982	3/10/2024	20/01/2025	Pleaded guilty	Singleton LC	[redacted]	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Convicted CCO - 2 years - standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Supervision by Maitland CC office; perform 200 hours CSW; report to Maitland CC office within 7 days Fined $1,500.00 s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 215 CPA costs: $220.50 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25
107	25-1983	8/10/2024	7/03/2025	Found guilty in absence	Blacktown LC		1 x Commit an act of cruelty 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined: /001 - $800.00 /002 - $1,000.00 /003 - $900.00 ($2,700.00 total) s 30A costs: $16,715.61	2024/25
108	25-1984	10/10/2024	13/01/2025	Pleaded guilty	Wagga Wagga LC		1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	s 10A conviction with no other penalty s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $5,000.00 s 215 CPA costs: $110.00	2024/25
109	25-1985	18/10/2024		Section 14 application dismissed. Summary hearing ongoing.	Wollongong LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Commit an act of cruelty	14/02/2025: Application under s 14 MHCIFP Act dismissed Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 22/10/2025	2024/25
110	25-1986	22/10/2024	4/12/2024	Pleaded guilty	Maitland LC		1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined: /001 - $1,000.00 /004 - $1,500.00 ($2,500.00 total) s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs: $1,678.49 s 215 CPA costs: $114.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25
111	25-1987	22/10/2024	4/12/2024	Pleaded guilty	Maitland LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Convicted Fined $1,000.00 s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 215 CPA costs: $229.36 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25

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112	25-1988	24/10/2024	11/12/2024	Pleaded guilty	Griffith LC	[redacted]	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CCO - 18 months - standard conditions s 30A costs: $3,624.85 s 215 CPA costs: $114.00	2024/25
113	25-1989	1/11/2024		Summary hearing ongoing	Parkes LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 5/09/2025	2024/25
114	25-1990	1/11/2024		Summary hearing ongoing	Parkes LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 5/09/2025	2024/25
115	25-1991	1/11/2024		Summary hearing ongoing	Coffs Harbour LC		7 x Fail to provide vet treatment 5 x Proprietor/management not comply requirements of clause 1 x Give false or misleading microchip identification number etc	Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 11/07/2025	2024/25
116	25-1992	1/11/2024		Summary hearing ongoing	Coffs Harbour LC		7 x Fail to provide vet treatment 5 x Proprietor/management not comply requirements of clause	Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 11/07/2025	2024/25
117	25-1993	7/11/2024		Summary hearing ongoing	Toronto LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 22/12/2025 & 23/12/2025	2024/25
118	25-1994	14/11/2024		Ongoing	Armidale LC		9 x Fail to provide vet treatment 2 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink 11 x Proprietor/management not comply requirements of clause	Ongoing - Listed for reply to brief 28/07/2025	2024/25
119	25-1995	18/11/2024		Summary hearing ongoing	Manly LC		1 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Confine animal in cage dimensions inadequate for exercise 7 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 19/08/2025	2024/25

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120	25-1996	18/11/2024	6/02/2025	Pleaded guilty	Campbelltown LC	[redacted]	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined $750.00 s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 215 CPA costs: $114.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25
121	25-1997	18/11/2024	16/01/2025	Found guilty in absence. Annulment application dismissed.	Bankstown LC		1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	18/12/2024: Convicted and sentenced in absence 16/01/2025: Annulment application under s 4 CARA dismissed LC orders confirmed: Convicted Fined $1,800.00 s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody tdf 16/01/2025 s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge tdf 16/01/2025 s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years tdf 16/01/2025 s 30A costs: $4,974.13 s 215 CPA costs: $114.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25
122	25-1998	18/11/2024	19/02/2025	Pleaded guilty	Wyong LC		2 x Carry unrestrained dog on back of moving vehicle on street 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined: /001 - $2,200.00 /002 - $660.00 /005 - $3,300.00 ($6,160.00 total)	2024/25
123	25-1999	20/11/2024	4/02/2025	Pleaded guilty	Maitland LC		2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Convicted CRO - 12 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $5,394.09 s 215 CPA costs: $178.00	2024/25
124	25-2000	26/11/2024		LC: Pleaded guilty. DC: Severity appeal ongoing.	Muswellbrook LC Newcastle DC		2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	8/04/2025: Convicted and sentenced Ongoing - Listed for severity appeal hearing 15/07/2025	2024/25
125	25-2001	28/11/2024	19/12/2024	Found guilty in absence	Orange LC		1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Convicted Fined $1,100.00 s 30A costs: $2,998.40 s 215 CPA costs: $114.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25

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126	25-2002	6/12/2024	12/06/2025	Found guilty in absence	Singleton LC	[redacted]	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	16/05/2025: Convicted in absence s 31(5) interim disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody 12/06/2025: Convicted Fined: /002 - $1,000.00 /004 - $500.00 ($1,500.00 total) /003 - s 10A conviction with no other penalty s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $10,342.86 s 215 CPA costs: $157.85 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25
127	25-2003	6/12/2024		Summary hearing ongoing	Parramatta LC		1 x Commit an act of cruelty 4 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Confine animal in cage dimensions inadequate for exercise	Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 8/08/2025	2024/25
128	25-2004	6/12/2024		Summary hearing ongoing	Parramatta LC		1 x Commit an act of cruelty 4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 8/08/2025	2024/25
129	25-2005	6/12/2024	16/01/2025	Pleaded guilty	Singleton LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined: /001 - $3,000.00 /002 & /003 - $1,500.00 (Total $6,000.00) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs: $4,733.15 s 215 CPA costs: $114.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25

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130	25-2006	6/12/2024	30/01/2025	Pleaded guilty	Singleton LC	[redacted]	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined: /001 - $3,000.00 /002 & /003 - $1,500.00 (Total $6,000.00) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs: $4,733.00 s 215 CPA costs: $173.80 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25
131	25-2007	11/12/2024	23/01/2025	Found guilty in absence	Blacktown LC		3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined: /001 & /002 - $2,000.00 per offence /003 - $4,000.00 ($8,000.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $16,329.22 s 215 CPA costs: $114.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25
132	25-2008	11/12/2024	23/06/2025	Pleaded guilty	Coffs Harbour LC		1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	CRO without conviction - 12 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $3,682.11 s 215 CPA costs: $114.00	2024/25
133	25-2009	11/12/2024		Summary hearing ongoing	Coffs Harbour LC		4 x Fail to provide vet treatment 6 x Proprietor/management not comply requirements of clause	Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 23/10/2025	2024/25
134	25-2010	16/12/2024	13/02/2025	Pleaded guilty	Penrith LC		6 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined $200.00 per offence ($1,200 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years s 30A costs: $5,553.60 s 215 CPA costs: $114.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25

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135	25-2011	16/12/2024	13/02/2025	Pleaded guilty	Penrith LC	[redacted]	6 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined $200.00 per offence ($1,200 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years s 30A costs: $5,553.60 s 215 CPA costs: $114.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25
136	25-2012	16/12/2024		Summary hearing ongoing	Penrith LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 20/10/2025	2024/25
137	25-2013	16/12/2024	4/03/2025	Pleaded guilty	Muswellbrook LC		5 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted /001 - Fined $2,500.00 /002 - /005 - s 10A conviction with no other penalty s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $4,973.99 s 215 CPA costs: $154.52 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25
138	25-2014	17/12/2024		Ongoing	Windsor LC		8 x Fail to provide vet treatment 2 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Fail to comply with court order regarding disposal of animal 2 x Fail to comply with disqualification order	Ongoing - Listed for reply to brief 24/07/2025	2024/25
139	25-2015	17/12/2024		Ongoing	Windsor LC		8 x Fail to provide vet treatment 2 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Fail to comply with court order regarding disposal of animal 2 x Fail to comply with disqualification order	Ongoing - Listed for reply to brief 24/07/2025	2024/25

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140	25-2016	18/12/2024	22/04/2024	Found guilty in absence. Annulment application withdrawn. Section 14 application dismissed.	Lismore LC	[redacted]	5 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	20/01/2025: Convicted in absence s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs: $429.30 s 215 CPA costs: $114.00 24/03/2025: Annulment application under s 4 CARA withdrawn and dismissed 31/03/2025: Application under s 14 MHCIFP Act dismissed 22/04/2025: Convicted /003 & /004 - CCO - 20 months - standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Supervision by Lismore CC office; comply with depot medication; report to Lismore CC office within 7 days /003 & /004 - Fined $1,000.00 per offence ($2,000.00 total) /001, /002, /005 & /006 - CCO - 12 months - standard conditions s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25
141	25-2017	18/12/2024		Pleaded guilty. Sentence proceedings ongoing.	Penrith LC		12 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of cruelty	To be heard concurrently with 25-2028 23/04/2025: s 30B interim disqualification order s 31(5) interim disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody Ongoing - Listed for sentence 11/07/2025	2024/25
142	25-2018	23/12/2024	13/03/2025	Pleaded guilty	Inverell LC		4 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Commit an act of cruelty 10 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient shelter	Convicted /001 - /004 - ICO - 12 months - standard conditions (finding of exceptional circumstances, no additional condition imposed) /005 - ICO - 9 months - standard conditions (finding of exceptional circumstances, no additional condition imposed) /006 - /016 - s 10A conviction with no other penalty s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 10 years s 30A costs: $24,211.69 s 215 CPA costs: $114.00	2024/25

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143	25-2019	24/12/2024	2/05/2025	Pleaded guilty	Downing Centre LC	[redacted]	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined: /001 - $300.00 /002 & /003 - $200.00 per offence ($700.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 1 year s 215 CPA costs: $114.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25
144	25-2020	6/01/2025	5/02/2025	Pleaded guilty	Liverpool LC		1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Convicted CRO - 3 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 215 CPA costs: $114.00	2024/25
145	25-2021	6/01/2025		Summary hearing ongoing	Muswellbrook LC		1 x Fail to comply with disqualification order	Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 7/07/2025	2024/25
146	25-2022	13/01/2025		Summary hearing ongoing	Windsor LC		7 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Ongoing - Listed for readiness mention 24/07/2025 Listed for summary hearing 24/09/2025 & 25/09/2025	2024/25
147	25-2023	20/01/2025	20/03/2025	Found guilty in absence	Parramatta LC		6 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Convicted Fined: /001 & /003 - $700.00 per offence /002 - $300.00 /004 - /007 - $200.00 per offence ($2,500.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years s 30A costs: $70,000.00 s 215 CPA costs: $114.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25
148	25-2024	23/01/2025		Summary hearing ongoing	Temora LC		2 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 23/07/2025	2024/25
149	25-2025	24/01/2025	1/05/2025	Pleaded guilty	Penrith LC		3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	CRO without conviction - 12 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years s 215 CPA costs: $114.00	2024/25

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150	25-2026	29/01/2025	2/04/2025	Pleaded guilty	Manly LC	[redacted]	1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Convicted Fined $5,000.00 s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs: $497.00 s 215 CPA costs: $144.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25
151	25-2027	5/02/2025		Summary hearing ongoing	Forbes LC		5 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient shelter	Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 15/12/2025	2024/25
152	25-2028	5/02/2025		Pleaded guilty. Sentence proceedings ongoing.	Penrith LC		13 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of cruelty	To be heard concurrently with 25-2017 23/04/2025: s 30B interim disqualification order s 31(5) interim disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody Ongoing - Listed for sentence 11/07/2025	2024/25
153	25-2029	10/02/2025	10/06/2025	Section 14 application dismissed. Pleaded guilty.	Wollongong LC		3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CRO - 18 months - standard & additional conditions Additional condition: Comply with treatment plan s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 12 months s 30A costs: $9,255.95 s 215 CPA costs: $114.00	2024/25
154	25-2030	10/02/2025	10/04/2025	Pleaded guilty	Blacktown LC		3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined: /001 - $2,250.00 /002 - $1,500.00 /003 - $1,000.00 ($4,750.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years s 30A costs: $3,142.88 s 215 CPA costs: $114.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25

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155	25-2031	14/02/2025	27/03/2025	Pleaded guilty	Hornsby LC	[redacted]	5 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CRO - 12 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $23,841.78 s 215 CPA costs: $114.00	2024/25
156	25-2032	14/02/2025	27/03/2025	Pleaded guilty	Hornsby LC		1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	CRO without conviction - 12 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $4,357.53 s 215 CPA costs: $114.00	2024/25
157	25-2033	14/02/2025	27/03/2025	Pleaded guilty	Narrabri LC		4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CRO - 12 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 1 year s 30A costs: $2,025.62	2024/25
158	25-2034	27/02/2025		Ongoing	Bankstown LC		3 x Commit an act of cruelty	Ongoing - Listed for s 14 application 8/07/2025	2024/25
159	25-2035	27/02/2025		Ongoing	Windsor LC		3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 9/09/2025	2024/25
160	25-2036	28/02/2025	18/06/2025	Pleaded guilty	Maitland LC		1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CRO - 12 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $6,859.49	2024/25
161	25-2037	4/03/2025		Ongoing	Wollongong LC		7 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for sentence 8/07/2025	2024/25
162	25-2038	5/03/2025		Ongoing	Windsor LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 8/10/2025	2024/25
163	25-2039	7/03/2025		Ongoing	Nowra LC		3 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Ongoing - Listed for reply to brief 9/07/2025	2024/25
164	25-2040	10/03/2025	4/06/2025	Pleaded guilty	Dubbo LC		1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CCO - 18 months - standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Supervision by Dubbo CC office; perform 200 hours CSW s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years s 30A costs: $3,579.65 s 215 CPA costs: 228.00	2024/25

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165	25-2041	10/03/2025	21/05/2025	Pleaded guilty	Bankstown LC	[redacted]	6 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CRO - 9 months - standard conditions s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $5,576.97 s 215 CPA costs: $114.00	2024/25
166	25-2042	12/03/2025	2/05/2025	Found guilty in absence	Newcastle LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined: /001 - $3,000.00 /002 - /004 - $500.00 per offence ($4,500.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 2 years s 30A costs: $2,683.64 s 215 CPA costs: $399.10 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25
167	25-2043	12/03/2025	6/05/2025	Withdrawn	Gunnedah LC		2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Charges withdrawn and dismissed	2024/25
168	25-2044	13/03/2025		Ongoing	Parramatta LC		2 x Commit an act of cruelty	Ongoing - Listed for mention 10/07/2025	2024/25
169	25-2045	13/03/2025	3/06/2025	Pleaded guilty	Muswellbrook LC		3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted /001 - Fined $1,000.00 /002 & /003 - s 10A conviction with no other penalty s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years s 30A costs: $11,860.23 s 215 CPA costs: $114.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25
170	25-2046	18/03/2025	19/06/2025	Pleaded guilty	Parramatta LC		1 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Tether animal with unreasonably short tether	Convicted Fined $200.00 per offence ($400.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 18 months s 30A costs: $5,630.58 s 215 CPA costs: $114.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25
171	25-2047	21/03/2025		Ongoing	Mt Druitt LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for reply to brief 30/07/2025	2024/25

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172	25-2048	28/03/2025	8/05/2025	Pleaded guilty	Kempsey LC	[redacted]	3 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Convicted Fined $2,000.00 per offence ($8,000.00 total) s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs: $337.50 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25
173	25-2049	28/03/2025		Ongoing	Kempsey LC		3 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Ongoing - Listed for summary hearing 18/11/2025	2024/25
174	25-2050	1/04/2025		Ongoing	Blacktown LC		1 x Commit an act of cruelty upon an animal	Ongoing - Listed for mention 10/07/2025	2024/25
175	25-2051	2/04/2025	4/06/2025	Pleaded guilty	Coffs Harbour LC		1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CRO - 12 months - standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Ensure 12-monthly vet checks for Diesel; provide records of those checks to the RSPCA within 14 days s 30A costs: $7,995.19	2024/25
176	25-2052	2/04/2025	4/06/2025	Pleaded guilty	Coffs Harbour LC		1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted CRO - 12 months - standard & additional conditions Additional conditions: Ensure 12-monthly vet checks for Milo; provide records of those checks to the RSPCA within 14 days s 30A costs: $5,412.04	2024/25
177	25-2053	3/04/2025		Ongoing	Wollongong LC		4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 19/09/2025	2024/25
178	25-2054	7/04/2025	15/05/2025	Pleaded guilty	Wollongong LC		3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined $300.00 per offence ($900.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 3 years s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25
179	25-2055	7/04/2025	22/04/2025	Pleaded guilty	Coffs Harbour LC		3 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 4 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Convicted Fined: /001 - /003 - $1,000.00 per offence /004 - /008 - $500.00 per offence ($5,500.00 total) s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 10 years s 215 CPA costs: $114.00 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25
180	25-2056	9/04/2025		Ongoing	Tamworth LC		2 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 6 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Fail to alleviate pain 2 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Ongoing - Listed for mention 19/08/2025	2024/25

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181	25-2057	10/04/2025	22/05/2025	Withdrawn	Blacktown LC	[redacted]	2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Charges withdrawn and dismissed s 30A costs: $3,634.85	2024/25
182	25-2059	15/04/2025		Ongoing	Dubbo LC		7 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Confine animal in cage dimensions inadequate for exercise 1 x Tether animal for unreasonable time	Ongoing - Listed for mention 16/07/2025	2024/25
183	25-2060	15/04/2025		Ongoing	Bankstown LC		7 x Commit an act of cruelty	Ongoing - Listed for readiness mention 27/11/2025 & summary hearing 12/01/2026	2024/25
184	25-2061	15/04/2025		Ongoing	Gosford LC		2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 11/07/2025	2024/25
185	25-2062	17/04/2025		Ongoing	Cessnock LC		2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 16/07/2025	2024/25
186	25-2063	22/04/2025		Ongoing	Fairfield LC		2 x Commit an act of cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 23/07/2025	2024/25
187	25-2064	22/04/2025		Ongoing	Mt Druitt LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Ongoing - Listed for reply to brief 30/07/2025	2024/25
188	25-2065	22/04/2025		Ongoing	Mt Druitt LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Ongoing - Listed for reply to brief 30/07/2025	2024/25
189	25-2066	24/04/2025		Ongoing	Broken Hill LC		1 x Fail to comply with disqualification order	Ongoing - Listed for mention 18/11/2025	2024/25
190	25-2067	24/04/2025		Ongoing	Gosford LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 17/07/2025	2024/25
191	25-2068	28/04/2025	5/06/2025	Pleaded guilty	Penrith LC		1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Convicted Fined $200 s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animal in RSPCA NSW custody s 30A costs: $351.98 s 122 FA: Moiety to RSPCA NSW	2024/25
192	25-2069	30/04/2025		Ongoing	Macksville LC		1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Ongoing - Listed for mention 24/07/20258	2024/25
193	25-2070	30/04/2025		Ongoing	Macksville LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Ongoing - Listed for mention 24/07/20258	2024/25
194	25-2071	30/04/2025		Ongoing	Liverpool LC		6 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 14/07/2025	2024/25
195	25-2072	2/05/2025	16/06/2025	Found guilty in absence	Windsor LC		4 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of cruelty	s 10A conviction with no other penalty s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals in RSPCA NSW custody s 31(1)(a) disposal order: Animals of which defendant is person in charge s 31(1)(b) disqualification order: 5 years s 30A costs: $12,950.43 s 215 CPA costs: $114.00	2024/25
196	25-2073	5/05/2025		Ongoing	Port Macquarie LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 16/07/2025	2024/25
197	25-2074	5/05/2025		Ongoing	Newtown LC		2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 08/07/2025	2024/25
198	25-2075	5/05/2025		Ongoing	Newtown LC		2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 08/07/2025	2024/25
199	25-2076	6/05/2025		Ongoing	Wyong LC		7 x Commit an act of cruelty 2 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient shelter	Ongoing - Listed for mention 16/07/2025	2024/25

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200	25-2077	6/05/2025		Ongoing	Young LC	[redacted]	1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 2 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink	Ongoing - Listed for mention 09/07/2025	2024/25
201	25-2078	6/05/2025		Ongoing	Young LC		1 x Fail to provide vet treatment 2 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink	Ongoing - Listed for mention 09/07/2025	2024/25
202	25-2079	16/05/2025		Ongoing	Newcastle LC		2 x Commit an act of cruelty	Ongoing - Listed for mention 11/07/2025	2024/25
203	25-2080	21/05/2025		Ongoing	Dubbo LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Ongoing - Listed for sentence 30/07/2025	2024/25
204	25-2081	28/05/2025		Ongoing	Nowra LC		1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 08/07/2025	2024/25
205	25-2082	28/05/2025		Ongoing	Raymond Terrace LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Ongoing - Listed for mention 07/07/2025	2024/25
206	25-2083	28/05/2025		Ongoing	Bankstown LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Ongoing - Listed for mention 30/07/2025	2024/25
207	25-2084	5/06/2025		Ongoing	Cessnock LC		2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 09/07/2025	2024/25
208	25-2085	5/06/2025		Ongoing	Taree LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 3 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to supply Inspector name and address	Ongoing - Listed for mention 22/07/2025	2024/25
209	25-2086	10/06/2025		Ongoing	Coffs Harbour LC		4 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink	Ongoing - Listed for mention 09/07/2025	2024/25
210	25-2087	10/06/2025		Ongoing	Wollongong LC		2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 24/07/20258	2024/25
211	25-2088	10/06/2025		Ongoing	Penrith LC		1 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty	Ongoing - Listed for mention 07/08/2025	2024/25
212	25-2089	17/06/2025		Ongoing	Cootamundra LC		5 x Fail to provide vet treatment 2 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 2 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink 1 x Commit an act of cruelty 2 x Hinder other person exercising power under Act.	Ongoing - Listed for mention 21/07/2025	2024/25
213	25-2090	17/06/2025		Ongoing	Cootamundra LC		5 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Ongoing - Listed for mention 21/07/2025	2024/25
214	25-2091	18/06/2025		Ongoing	Port Macquarie LC		6 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Ongoing - Listed for mention 16/07/2025	2024/25

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215	25-2092	18/06/2025		Ongoing	Port Macquarie LC	[redacted]	6 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food	Ongoing - Listed for mention 16/07/2025	2024/25
216	25-2093	19/06/2025		Ongoing	Manly LC		7 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 31/07/2025	2024/25
217	25-2094	19/06/2025		Ongoing	Manly LC		2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 31/07/2025	2024/25
218	25-2095	23/06/2025		Ongoing	Muswellbrook LC		3 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 19/08/2025	2024/25
219	25-2096	23/06/2025		Ongoing	Downing Centre LC		3 x Commit an act of aggravated cruelty 11 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Ongoing - Listed for mention 18/08/2025	2024/25
220	25-2097	23/06/2025		Ongoing	Parramatta LC		1 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 31/07/2025	2024/25
221	25-2098	26/06/2025		Ongoing	Bankstown LC		4 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 30/07/2025	2024/25
222	25-2099	26/06/2025		Ongoing	Blacktown LC		2 x Fail to provide vet treatment	Ongoing - Listed for mention 07/08/2025	2024/25
223	25-2100	30/06/2025		Ongoing	Penrith LC		3 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Ongoing - Listed for mention 07/08/2025	2024/25
224	25-2101	30/06/2025		Ongoing	Penrith LC		3 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Commit an act of cruelty	Ongoing - Listed for mention 07/08/2025	2024/25
225	25-2102	30/06/2025		Ongoing	Wollongong LC		2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink	Ongoing - Listed for mention 31/07/2025	2024/25
226	25-2103	30/06/2025		Ongoing	Wollongong LC		2 x Fail to provide vet treatment 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient food 1 x Fail to provide proper and sufficient drink	Ongoing - Listed for mention 31/07/2025	2024/25

Proceedings commenced in 2024/25	156
Proceedings commenced prior to 2024/25	70
	226
Total proceedings finalised	122
Total proceedings ongoing	104
	226
Total finalised after plea of guilty	84
Total finalised with finding of guilt after hearing	6
Total finalised in absence of accused	21
Total finalised under MHCIFP Act	7
Total withdrawn	4
	122

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2022/2023

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Cover Image: Greg and his loyal companion, AJ in Bourke, NSW.

We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land where we care for animals in need. We pay our respects to Elders past, present, and emerging. We celebrate the stories, culture, and traditions of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elders of all communities who continue to work and live on this land.

CEO AND PRESIDENT'S LETTER

For over 150 years, RSPCA NSW has championed the health, care, and protection of all creatures, great and small. Although the latest financial year presented some unique operational challenges, we remained wholeheartedly committed to assisting animals across NSW.

Your unwavering support, kindness, and compassion have been our driving force through every challenge and triumph. Together, we have accomplished so much this year, and we cannot thank you enough. Your generosity impacts every endeavour we undertake in NSW, and the stories and programs contained in this report were only possible because of you. We are confident that, after taking a glance at what we've achieved this year, you will share our profound sense of pride.

Despite economic hardship, capacity constraints, pet rental challenges, and workforce shortages, we were able to change the lives of animals and pet owners in need. Because of you, we were able to ensure that, even in the most challenging situations, we could help dedicated animal lovers keep their animals healthy and safe.

Helping people help animals lies at the heart of what RSPCA NSW does. This financial year, our teams reached thousands of animal lovers in communities all over NSW, giving them the knowledge and resources to give their pets a healthy life. Through our targeted programs, we supported those experiencing hardship, trauma, and in crisis. From supporting victims of domestic violence to people struggling to find accommodation, we emerged as a beacon of hope for animals and their humans in their hour of need.

We have remained steadfast in our fight against animal cruelty and neglect. In the last 12 months, our Inspectors **investigated 13,883 reports of animal cruelty**, and provided resources and assistance to people who needed a guiding hand. We commenced **108 prosecutions involving 517 animals**, upholding our organisation's pledge to protect all creatures, great and small.

As we reflect on our enduring commitment to the protection and care of animals, we remain grateful for your continued reinforcement. However, there is still plenty left to be done, and we hope you will continue on this journey with us. Together, we can pave the way for a brighter future for people and animals. Your continued support and generosity ensure that our mission remains resolute, and we're excited for you to join us on the next step of our journey.

Thank you for being a part of our RSPCA NSW family.

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Steve Coleman,
RSPCA NSW CEO

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Dr Peter Wright
President

5 RSPCA NSW SHELTERS

2 BEHAVIOUR & REHABILITATION CENTRES

3 VETERINARY HOSPITALS

1 EDUCATION CENTRE

43 PETBARN PARTNER LOCATIONS

560 STAFF

984 VOLUNTEERS GAVE 8,856 HOURS

852 FOSTER CARERS TENDED TO 4,548 ANIMALS

JULY

Our Inspectorate charged a man and woman with animal cruelty offences relating to failure to provide **veterinary care, nutrition, and appropriate housing** for 50 birds. The birds had been residing in deplorable living conditions, forced to share overcrowded enclosures with 42 other deceased birds.

AUGUST

In the month of August, we released our Cat Behaviour Guide, giving **2,726 people** valuable insight into feline enrichment and the habits of their cats. Our Cat Behaviour Guide helps curious feline lovers by providing information on the customs and quirks of their furry friends.

SEPTEMBER

After the floods in Moree Plains, our Inspectors and Animal Transport Officers rallied with State Emergency Services, the Department of Primary Industries and other rescue groups for a **collaborative flood response.** We would like to extend our gratitude to everyone involved in supporting the community and their animals through times of stress and fear.

OCTOBER

Thanks to the **4,224 contributions** made on National Dollar Matching Day, our Give to Get Them Home campaign **raised a massive $467,681**. Every gift from our selfless donors was doubled by our Dollar Matching Partners, helping us prepare the **3,117 animals** in our care for a loving, forever home.

NOVEMBER

Our Port Macquarie Volunteer Branch sponsored a new Cat Enhancement Program, thanks to a gift left in the Will from generous animal lover and volunteer, Marie Maxine Cathcart. The program focuses on improving feline welfare at all our sites, from **auditing our shelters** and veterinary hospitals to raise our standard of care, to **training our staff** to keep our cats enriched and comfortable while awaiting adoption.

DECEMBER

Providing preventative veterinary services under our Community Animal Welfare Scheme (CAWS), our Outreach team **desexed 23 Greenacre cats** in one day with the help of Sydney Dogs and Cats Home. Since 2020, we have been actively targeting this LGA to reduce the number of local feline surrenders and have **desexed 1,123 cats from Canterbury-Bankstown**.

JANUARY

Inspired by Triple J's 'Hottest 100' annual listener poll, we reduced adoption fees for animals who had spent more than **100 days in care**. Over three days, 25 of our long-termer animals finally found their forever homes, getting their second chance at life during this heart-warming promotion.

FEBRUARY

We hosted the NSW State Emergency Service for a training day in our brand-new Education Centre. The successful event was a promising early step in **using our state-of-the-art facilities to nurture valuable learning experiences.**

MARCH

Our Outreach teams travelled more than 900km to Wilcannia, in North West NSW, where we provided veterinary care, support and guidance to the community and their pets. Over the course of three busy days, **we assisted a total of 110 pets, desexed 52 cats and dogs and admitted 11 pups into shelter care**. We also distributed food, vaccinations, and much needed long-lasting tick preventatives.

APRIL

To encourage more cat lovers to keep their felines happy and safe at home, we initiated a School Incursion Program as part of our Keeping Cats Safe at Home project. To date, we've engaged four councils, eight schools and over **560 students** from the Kyogle, Tweed, and Byron local government areas.

MAY

At our annual Million Paws Walk, **4,322 people and their pooches** marched to combat animal cruelty. Generously sponsored by Royal Canin, the heroic dog lovers of NSW raised more than **$330,000** across 12 different locations, making unforgettable memories at the best and biggest dog walk in Australia.

JUNE

Alongside Counterpoint Community Services and the Cat Protection Society, RSPCA NSW hosted the City of Sydney Pet Day on Saturday, 18 June. This outreach event catered to over **500 social housing residents** and provided aid to **264 companion animals**. Services included vaccinations, microchipping, and facilitating access to subsidised **desexing for 203 dogs and 61 cats**. Attendees also received giveaway bags of goodies to keep their animals healthy and happy.

Helping people help animals

At the heart of our mission lies the belief that the human and animal bond is a source of stability and joy, especially during times of hardship and grief. Our targeted support programs consider the needs of both people and pets, improving human welfare outcomes by assisting the animals in their care.

In the face of homelessness, health emergencies, and even domestic and family violence, our Programs team provided crucial support and services to **460 people** as well as safe accommodation and veterinary care for **643 pets**.

We understand that financial challenges alone are not reflective of a person's capacity to care for their animal companion. That is why we endeavour to assist pet owners who might be experiencing financial stress.

This year, we provided **$96,636** worth of pet emergency treatment, helping **138 people** support **155 animals** without the burden of financial constraints. We also had the privilege of assisting pet owners through our donor-funded Affordable Veterinary Care program, which provided **1,888 people** with discounts valued at **$203,554**.

Our dedicated outreach initiatives reached people and animals far and wide, providing life-saving services and resources in communities throughout NSW. From free and subsidised desexing, parasite prevention, microchipping, and vaccinations, we delivered essential veterinary services to **2,959 animals** this year.

The continuation of these transformative initiatives reflects the compassion shared by our supporters. Your commitment helps build communities defined by a love for all creatures, great and small.

"While travelling across NSW to support communities and their pets, we have heard inspiring stories of the bonds between humans and animals. The strength of these connections continues to inspire us, a reminder of why we work so hard to keep these families together. By offering essential veterinary care to those who need it most, we can ensure that people remain with healthy animals by their side."

– Dr Ann-Margret Withers, Senior Manager, Outreach, Education & Programs

Over 145 animals assisted in Albury Desexing Drive

From the 5th to the 9th of June, the RSPCA NSW Albury Volunteer Branch helped run a free community desexing drive in the Albury-Wodonga area. Using local funds raised in collaboration with Dunroamin Animal Rescue, **146 animals were desexed, microchipped and vaccinated** after an intensive five-day effort.

The community drive united experts from within RSPCA NSW as well as professionals from other generous health and welfare groups. Between our Inspectorate, Education and Outreach teams, the Hume Animal Hospital, and the Albury City Council, it was inspiring to see so many so many teams helping people help their animals.

$300,190
IN DISCOUNTS PROVIDED TO PET OWNERS IN NEED

$295,478
RAISED BY BRANCHES FOR VET ASSISTANCE

2,959 ANIMALS ASSISTED THROUGH COMMUNITY OUTREACH

5 INDIGENOUS COMMUNITY ANIMAL HEALTH PROGRAMS

396 ANIMALS ASSISTED
167 DESEXED
386 VACCINATED
387 PARASITE PREVENTION

643 ANIMALS OF 460 CLIENTS RECEIVED EMERGENCY TREATMENT

PROVIDED POSITIVE PET CARE & BEHAVIOUR ADVICE TO 3,020 ADULTS & 240 KIDS

2,647 ANIMAL DESEXED THROUGH OUTREACH, PROGRAMS & BRANCHES

AGED CARE
129 CLIENTS
192 ANIMALS

HOMELESSNESS
22 CLIENTS
26 ANIMALS

EMERGENCY BOARDING
107 CLIENTS
166 ANIMALS

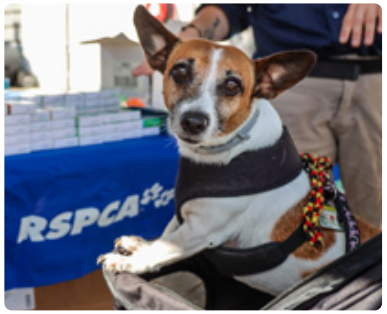
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
64 CLIENTS
104 ANIMALS

Thanks to you, we can shelter and provide for thousands of animals in need!

Each of the remarkable achievements in this report are a testament to the dedication of our compassionate community of animal lovers. Individuals like you, who share in our belief that no animal should endure suffering, are the driving force behind every endeavour we undertake.

Thanks to life-saving gifts from **61,526 generous donors,** the **8,074 participants of our many fundraising events,** and the support of **207 bequests** left in Wills, **$40,516,594 was donated for animals in need.** Each dollar contributed, every legacy of love received, plays an integral role in transforming your giving into real-life stories of hope and healing. Your compassion fuels our shared vision of a world where animals are cared for and protected. RSPCA NSW could not continue without your support; you drive the sanctuary, care, and change we bring to animals every day.

In the last 12 months, our **9 volunteer branches and 10 supporter groups** championed animal welfare causes in communities across NSW. They supported people and their animals through donations, drives, and community events, providing **$197,185 for free or subsidised desexing** and **$98,293 in community vet assistance.** We would not have made the same impact without our selfless volunteers; their skills and support continue to ensure that help reaches those who need it most.



"With 984 individuals contributing their time and expertise, the enduring commitment of our volunteers is profoundly moving. Devoting 8,856 hours to helping animals this year alone, our volunteers continue to be the driving force behind improved animal welfare in their local communities. Without them, we simply wouldn't be able to achieve the things we do."

– Jodie Eldridge, Senior Manager, Branches and Volunteers

RSPCA NSW awards Graham Isaac with 2023 Volunteer of the Year Award

To celebrate the change-makers working to improve the lives of animals every day, RSPCA NSW awarded Graham Isaac with the 2023 Volunteer of the Year Award. Graham's selfless service at the Coffs Harbour Shelter have touched countless animals' lives, embodying the spirit of generosity and inspiring us all.

"I get so much satisfaction volunteering with RSPCA NSW. I really enjoy working with all the staff and my fellow volunteers at the shelter, not to mention working with and supporting all the beautiful animals, too. Volunteering is not only enjoyable, but it helps keep you mentally and physically fit; I always look forward to going into the shelter."

– Graham Isaac, RSPCA NSW 2023 Volunteer of the Year

Taking a stand against animal cruelty

Our Inspectorate is the largest animal welfare enforcement unit in the country, consisting of over **40 Inspectors**, who **investigated 13,883 new reports of animal cruelty** in the last financial year.

No two reports are the same, with RSPCA NSW Inspectors responding to an array of welfare concerns, from deliberate acts of animal cruelty to cases of unintentional neglect. Our Inspectorate's prosecutions represent just one fraction of their positive impact on NSW communities.

With financial hardship and mental health challenges impacting the welfare of people and animals, many of our investigations are resolved through a proactive, preventative approach, involving education, practical support, and referrals to our programs.

"Whether it be conducting large-scale operations, or assisting local communities affected by floods, RSPCA NSW's Inspectors and Outreach teams stood shoulder-to-shoulder with local communities who needed a helping hand. Our collaborations with pet owners, farmers, welfare groups, NSW Police, and all government agencies contribute to keeping our communities and our animals healthy and safe every day."

– Scott Meyers, Chief Inspector

1,861 ANIMALS BROUGHT INTO OUR SHELTERS VIA INSPECTORATE

PROSECUTIONS: **108** COMMENCED | **48** ONGOING | **59** FINALISED

49 FINALISED FROM PREVIOUS YEARS

74,507 CALLS TAKEN | **21,081** CRUELTY CALLS

420 OFFENCES | **517** ANIMALS INVOLVED

13,883 CRUELTY INVESTIGATIONS
AVERAGE OF 53.3 JOBS PER DAY

18 OFFICIAL CAUTIONS | **799** WRITTEN DIRECTIONS

111 PENALTY INFRINGEMENT NOTICES ISSUED

Second-oldest prosecution finalised at the Sydney District Court

In September 2022, RSPCA NSW finalised its second oldest matter at the Sydney District Court. The defendant, a man from the Eastern Suburbs, was convicted of failing to provide veterinary treatment to his 14-year-old pet Maremma dog, named 'Shep'.

In January 2018, RSPCA NSW Inspectors seized Shep after his owner repeatedly ignored veterinarian advice and refused treatment for the elderly dog, who was suffering from various health problems including muscle wastage, liver damage, anaemia, and a large visible growth on his chest. Despite multiple recommendations from the local vet, Shep's owner refused to take him to hospital for urgent treatment or euthanasia, citing that he could not consent to euthanasia for religious and moral reasons, and that he could not afford any veterinary treatment.

When inspectors arrived at the property, they found Shep on the balcony, covered in urine, dirt, and faecal matter, and unable to walk. An ambulance transported Shep to the RSPCA NSW Sydney veterinary hospital, where he was deemed cruel to be kept alive, and humanely euthanised.

After at least 20 court appearances and three days of appeal proceedings, the defendant was given a 12-month intensive correction order and banned from owning an animal for five years.

Image: Sydney Metro Inspector, Leah

"For four consecutive years, we have commenced and completed more prosecutions than ever before. More sophisticated prosecutions can take longer to resolve, but we devote ourselves entirely to every case we bring to court."

– Kathryn Jurd, General Counsel

Compassion for all creatures, great and small

Our inspiring veterinary team boasts a diverse range of expertise. Their wide-ranging knowledge allows us to provide high quality treatment and surgery, ensuring that our efforts make a lasting impact for animals in care and in the community.

Our veterinary teams are outfitted with modern diagnostic and surgical equipment, which were put to good use in the **1,209 major surgeries** we conducted throughout the year. Our highly skilled teams and well-equipped hospitals mean that we can simultaneously meet the complex and often urgent veterinary needs of the animals that come into our shelters, whilst also providing optimal care to the private patients that come through our doors.

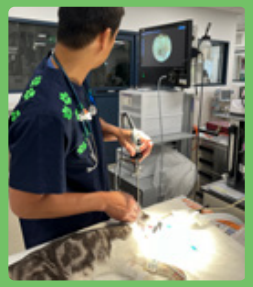
"At any given time, our veterinary hospitals can receive a large intake of animals in need of urgent diagnostic workups and treatment. We are so grateful for our incredibly kind-hearted and compassionate donors, whose generous support means that our team can access state-of-the-art equipment when animals need it most."

– Dr Liz Arnott, Chief Veterinarian

Vet Nurses, Tessa Docen and Isabella Fitzgibbon-Solis

Donor generously funds new equipment for our Sydney Veterinary Hospital

One supporter's gift expanded our ability to care for thousands of animals every year. In December 2022, Mrs Kazuko De Angeli generously funded the purchase of a brand-new endoscope system for our Sydney Veterinary Hospital. Our staff at the Sydney Veterinary Hospital **treat more than 18,900 animals** a year and offer subsidised services to clients unable to afford the full cost of veterinary care. Countless animals can now experience improved health outcomes thanks to the diagnostic and treatment capabilities afforded to us by this gracious animal lover's gift. Thank you, Mrs De Angeli, for helping us expand our treatment capabilities.



Managing Veterinarian, Jeffrey So

$35.0 M
INVESTED IN TREATING ANIMALS

24,553 VETERINARY CONSULTATIONS
24 VETS
36 VET NURESES

140 ANIMAL CARE SHELTER STAFF

5,590 ANIMALS DESEXED

1,209 MAJOR SURGERIES

15,574 VACCINATIONS
9,164 MICROCHIPS

2,282 X-RAYS
1,038 DENTALS

Paving the way to a brighter future for people and pets in NSW

We recognise that the welfare and wellbeing of animals is a major concern to most people in NSW. Consequently, we have continued in our unwavering commitment to reshape the future of animal welfare by working to modernise and improve the legislative and regulatory structures.

As an organisation that has operated for over 150 years, it is our responsibility to advocate on behalf of all creatures, great and small. This year, we contributed to five parliamentary inquiries and legislation and policy reviews, providing our knowledge, expertise and resources on a diverse and complex array of topics. From the delimitation of pets in rental properties, to veterinary workforce shortages, it remains essential that we continue to use our voice to create positive change for the animals of NSW.

"Given our unique and historically informed insight into what it takes to improve the quality of animals' lives, it's important that we support and help shape legislation with the protection of animals in mind. The hurdles facing people and animals are changing with every passing year, and it's up to organisations like ours to help communities adapt."

– Steve Coleman,
RSPCA NSW CEO

RSPCA NSW working with the NSW Parliament

For 150 years, we have worked alongside welfare groups to strengthen animal cruelty laws and improve animal welfare.

The Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Amendment (Prohibitions for Convicted Persons) Bill

Working with Members of the NSW Parliament, we secured amendments to the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act. These reforms ensure that persons convicted of serious animal cruelty will be prohibited from owning, breeding, or working for a business relating to animals. Those who disobey these laws and are found in possession of an animal will not only face serious additional charges, but enforcement agencies like RSPCA NSW have the power to seize all animals found in their possession.

The Animal Research Amendment (Right to Release) Bill

In October, we again collaborated with Members of the NSW Parliament to provide all cats and dogs used in research the right to be released into family homes.

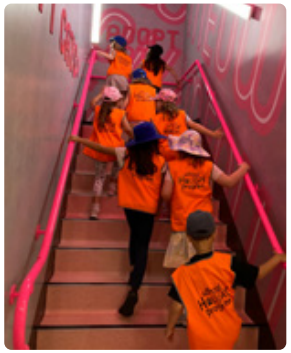
The 'Right to Release Bill', known as 'Buddy's Law', will prevent people from killing animals upon the conclusion of medical research, giving the thousands of animals involved in experiments a second chance at life.

The reform was championed by RSPCA NSW Member Patrice Pandelos, who cares for the Bill's namesake, Buddy, a Beagle subjected to scientific experiments for the first eight years of his life. Like all RSPCA NSW Members, Patrice's drive and determination to improve the lives of animals like Buddy is a testament to our shared passion for animal welfare, and we are incredibly proud to have her involvement in our community.

Nurturing the animal lovers of the future

In reaching **2,983 children** through an array of education initiatives, we know that everyone has the potential to positively impact animals' lives. After learning about animal sentience and the importance of their wellbeing, even the youngest animal lovers can be animal advocates.

That is why we happily conducted **129 school visits** this year, educating students and their teachers about the essentials of animal health. Along with the **424 participants of our 40 school holiday programs**, we are proud to have inspired so many champions of animal welfare.



We feel honoured to be able to nurture the next generation of veterinary professionals. As a Registered Training Organisation, we are helping to shape the future of animal welfare by offering a range of both accredited and short non-accredited courses. We mentored **150 graduates** through our accredited courses alone, **36 of whom found work at RSPCA NSW.**

Our veterinary hospitals also provide insightful learning opportunities to veterinary students in their final year of study, exposing them to the specialised fields of forensic and shelter medicine. By bolstering their confidence and proficiency across a spectrum of medical skills, we have worked to create a network of compassionate, capable hands.

"At the core of our education program lies a fundamental goal: to teach the next generation of animal welfare advocates that kindness matters. We believe that everyone, regardless of age, has the power to make a difference in animals' lives. This is why our education programs focus on helping individuals develop a sense of care, respect, and empathy towards all living creatures."

– Emma Davidson, Outreach and Education Manager

Our new Education Centre hosts first-ever school excursion

In August last year, our Education Centre hosted its first ever school excursion by welcoming more than a dozen students from Merrylands High School. These eager animal lovers learned about various animal health and welfare topics, from positive pet ownership and animal sentience to ways to safely greet new dogs.

By facilitating educational opportunities like these, we aim to raise awareness about animal health and the role of organisations like RSPCA NSW. By doing so, we aspire to transform our communities into safer, more compassionate spaces for all creatures, great and small.

Adapting to the needs of the animals in our care

Animal welfare and shelter care can be incredibly complex. Pet rental challenges and economic hardship led to an increased demand for our shelter services which, along with a burgeoning surrender waitlist, made for a very challenging year.

In the last 12 months, **our adoption rates have declined by 30%,** resulting in animals waiting longer to be happily rehomed. In October 2020, the average adult dog waiting to be adopted was just over seven days. In October 2022, that number had risen to just over 16 days. Now, the **average length of stay for adult dogs is 34 days**, with an average cost of care reaching up to **$1,000 per stay**.

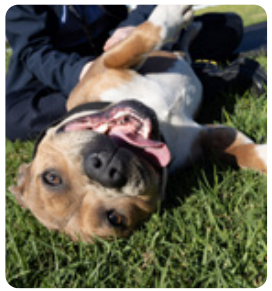
With **310 animals requiring intensive treatment** or rehabilitation in the last 12 months, it can take us up to **22 days to prepare an animal for adoption**. The longer an animal is in a shelter environment, the greater the risk to their health and wellbeing. That is why it is imperative that we use our resources to find these animals happy homes.

The pressure on our shelters is why we are thankful for our network of foster carers, generous guardians who provided extra love and care to **4,548 animals** this year. At any one time, animals in foster homes can account for up to 21% of all the animals in our care.

This year, our animals were welcomed into **904 foster homes**; we are grateful for the caring and selfless caregivers for all they have done for animals in need.

Despite the challenges that emerged this year, we remain committed to not only leading but raising the standard of shelter care. We strive to ensure that every one of our shelters is a comfortable environment, so that our animals can undergo treatment or wait for adoption free from stress.

Earlier this year, we introduced an hour of mandatory kennel 'quiet time' after consultation with veterinary behaviour specialists Sarah Heath and Gabrielle Carter. To prevent our dogs from developing hyper-arousal issues while in care, we minimise noise and animals' exposure to staff and visitors alike, ensuring our dogs can enjoy some necessary relaxation every day.



We also appointed our first-ever Feline Behaviour and Rehabilitation Advisor. Isobel Bonello, our qualified expert on all things kittens and cats, now lends her focused expertise to improve the lives of our feline friends. **6,895 felines turned to our shelters this year**, and her work ensures they are healthy and happy while waiting to find their forever homes.

Our corporate supporters

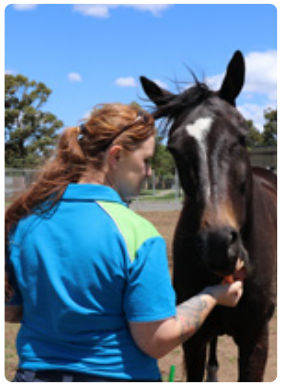
Our partners and sponsors continue to contribute to the life-saving work carried out in our shelters.

Our National Adoption Partner, Petbarn, continues to support our rehoming efforts by providing crucial alternative ways to find our animals new homes. Last year, **1,034 animals were successfully adopted from 43 Petbarn stores in NSW alone.**

Nutrition also plays a pivotal role in keeping our animals healthy and happy, and since 2022, Royal Canin has been our National Nutritional Sponsor. Royal Canin supplies the food for the cats and canines in our care. This year, they provided **41,925kg of product – valued at $999,480** – to our shelters throughout NSW.

This year, our National Pet Health Partner, **Elanco, provided $308,544 in products** to keep the animals in our care protected against fleas, ticks, and worms. Contributing **$30,090 in care products to our disaster relief efforts,** their generosity was vital in aiding pet owners affected by the July 2022 floods.

Giving animals a second chance at a happy and healthy life



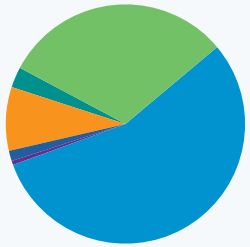
In the last 12 months, **our shelters welcomed 14,535 animals in need**, from livestock, horses, and pocket pets to a wealth of cats and dogs. Our strategic goal of keeping pets safe, healthy, and at home was complemented by our healthcare initiatives, desexing campaigns, and outreach assistance.

While **our overall animal intake decreased by 21%**, the needs of individual animals are becoming increasingly complex. The number of animals that have experienced cruelty, or need behavioural or medical care, has sadly only risen in the last financial year. In 2022, our Inspectorate rescued 1,275 animals and, in 2023, that number rose by nearly 46%. The number of animals that our Inspectors brought in for emergency care and rehabilitation also rose by 31% from the last financial year. Hence, even with fewer incoming animals, the year still posed an exceptional challenge as our animals required more intricate medical and psychological care than ever before.

Keeping cats off the street with targeted desexing

Our targeted desexing programs have contributed to an **11% reduction in total feline intake from 2022.** The impact of our focus on cat overpopulation is particularly evident in the Canterbury and Bankstown area, where we **desexed 375 cats** under our Companion Animal Welfare Scheme (CAWS) this year. Thanks to the ongoing financial support of the Canterbury Bankstown City Council, we have **desexed 1,560 local cats** in the last four years. The targeted desexing has **halved our feline intake from the area, from 2,000 cats last year to only 1,042.**

INTAKE BY ANIMAL TYPE



Canine **3,877**

Horse **48**

Other* **1,043**

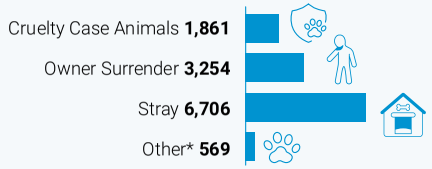
Feline **6,895**

Livestock **193**

Wildlife **334**

*Rodents, guinea pigs, ferrets, rabbits, birds and non-native

INTAKE BY PATHWAY



Cruelty Case Animals **1,861**

Owner Surrender **3,254**

Stray **6,706**

Other* **569**

Total **12,390**

*Bequest to shelter, born in care, returns, transfers in.

We encounter animals from all walks of life such as pets, injured strays and survivors of cruelty and neglect. We strive to rehabilitate and rehome – particularly when animals require special behavioural or medical care. But when an animal's welfare is compromised, or if our efforts come too late, we must often make sad and tough decisions to prevent further suffering.

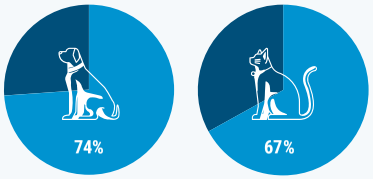
In the past year, we achieved the remarkable feat of **rehoming 6,956 animals**, thanks to our staff, foster carers, volunteers, and partners. Their tireless commitment and your gifts have been instrumental in finding them homes and forging a path towards a brighter tomorrow for the **1,384** animals waiting in our care.

ANIMAL OUTCOMES

- Adopted **6,956**
- Reclaimed **1,470**
- Still in care **1,384**
- Wildlife Released **4**
- Other ***13**
- Transferred to Council **57**
- Transferred to Rescue **461**
- Died in Care **186**
- Euthanised **4,004**

*Stolen, escaped, wildlife released-to-habitat

LIVE RELEASE RATE



"Wherever an animal can be supported to live a good life, RSPCA NSW continues to invest all available resources to treat their medical and behavioural conditions."

— Dr Liz Arnott, Chief Veterinarian

14,535 ANIMALS CARED FOR

6,956 ANIMALS ADOPTED

4,512 CATS & KITTENS

1,578 DOGS & PUPPIES

30 HORSES

108 LIVESTOCK

728 OTHER ANIMALS
POCKET PETS, BIRDS, FISH, FOWLS, & RODENTS

1,470 ANIMALS RECLAIMED

852 FOSTER CARERS | **4,548** ANIMALS

70 RESCUES REHABILITATED | **460** ANIMALS

Building a kinder, brighter future for communities and animals alike

We are excited to introduce our new three-year strategic plan, which will cement our ongoing dedication to improving animal welfare. This plan represents a shared commitment from our dedicated staff, volunteers, and supporters, who have all contributed their valuable insights and experiences to shape our vision for the future.

By improving access to veterinary care, educating our communities, and improving Inspectorate activity, we can begin building a world where animals are loved and treated with respect. Education, access, and advocacy will serve as the means through which we forge a path toward a more promising future for people and animals alike.

Your passion, dedication, and involvement will be crucial to our success as we take the next step on our journey of improving animal welfare throughout NSW.

Image: Behaviour and Rehabilitation Trainer, Rianna Carmody

Ivy's Story of Rescue and Recovery

Earlier this year, Ivy was injured after a fight with another dog. After a member of the public reported a serious welfare concern, Inspector Natalie was called to investigate. Ivy had been kept in a small backyard with the dog she eventually fought. But while the latter had sustained only minor injuries, Ivy herself had been seriously hurt, her condition worsened by dehydration, emaciation, fever, hookworm, and infection.

Inspector Natalie rushed her back to our Sydney Veterinary Hospital for treatment. Ivy spent a week in the hospital's Intensive Care Unit (ICU) where our team could monitor her closely, providing IV fluids and medications to make her more comfortable.

Though Ivy's wounds began to heal, it quickly became clear that she would require further treatment to properly recover. It was a tough few weeks for Ivy, who bravely endured the road to improvement. She underwent surgery for her front right leg, which had been unable to bear weight, and our team even tailored special medication for the infection affecting her ears.

Her recovery was long and taxing, but at only three years old, we knew that Ivy deserved the chance to live, run, and play without pain.

Meow, Woof, Neigh, Baa, Oink, Chirp, Squeak,
Moo, Cluck, Bleat, Cock-a-Doodle, Quack.

Thank you!

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OUR MISSION

To protect and care for animals by preventing cruelty and empowering communities to value humane treatment through education, advocacy, and support.

Image: James and his 3 Cavalier King Charles Spaniel dogs

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We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the lands on which we live and work. We recognise and respect the enduring relationship they have with their lands and waterways, and particularly acknowledge the vital role animals have played in Indigenous life, stories and culture for tens of thousands of years.

Cover Image: RSPCA NSW staff member with a dog at our Tenterfield Healthy Pet Day

CEO AND PRESIDENT LETTER

At RSPCA NSW, our mission is clear: to protect and care for animals in need. We know that in order to achieve this, our care and compassion needs to be extended to pet owners too. We are committed to supporting and educating communities, empowering them to treat all creatures, great and small, with kindness and respect.

The incredible support and generosity shown by our animal-loving community has seen us through every challenge and triumph, and we cannot thank you enough. Because of you, we can safeguard the bonds shared by humans and animals and build a world where all animals are cared for and valued.

Though we're proud of everything we've achieved and the improvements we've made to our organisation, the last financial year was not without its challenges.

In the last 12 months, we have observed a **21% rise in animal cruelty complaints.** Of equal concern is how the rising cost of living is impacting people and their animals. The number of requests for help from **pet owners experiencing hardship or crisis has risen over 300% in the last four years.**

But all the while, your contributions have helped change thousands of animals' lives, from the **6,188 animals** who found forever homes this year to the **10,324 nights of safety we provided for pets through our Crisis Support Programs**. None of our achievements would have been possible without the continued commitment of our donors, partners, foster carers, staff, community supporter groups, branches and volunteers.

Rounding out the first financial year of our three-year strategic plan, we've made great strides in providing support at both ends of the leash. Together, we can continue paving the way to a brighter future for all, a world that values and fights to preserve the bond we share with our animal companions.

Thank you for your unwavering generosity and commitment to our mission.

Yours sincerely,

Steve Coleman
RSPCA NSW CEO

Dr Peter Wright
President

"RSPCA NSW believes that financial circumstances should never separate pets from their people. We are proud to provide the support they need to stay together–because a strong bond between people and pets strengthens us all."

- Steve Coleman, RSPCA NSW CEO

5 RSPCA NSW SHELTERS

2 BEHAVIOUR & REHABILITATION CENTRES

3 VETERINARY HOSPITALS

1 EDUCATION CENTRE

46 PETBARN PARTNER LOCATIONS

511 EMPLOYEES

1,694 ACTIVE VOLUNTEERS DONATED 196,737 HOURS

868 FOSTER CARERS TENDED TO 3,497 ANIMALS

55 RESCUE GROUPS WORKED WITH

YEAR AT A GLANCE

JULY

Celebrating **National Desexing Month** always reminds us of the impact desexing has on our communities and pets. By reducing the risk of serious illnesses and curbing unwanted litters, desexing alleviates the strain on shelters and fosters healthier animal companions. Over this year, our veterinary clinics and Community team desexed **8,243 animals**.

AUGUST

Cupcake Day was a sweet success, thanks to wonderful fundraisers like 'Cakes By Kyla.' The efforts of Central Coast cake shop owner, Kyla Daniels, not only delighted local taste buds but also raised crucial funds for RSPCA NSW. Combining the joys of sweets and giving with supporting animals in need, community Cupcake Days raised **$142,889** for our furry friends across the state.

SEPTEMBER

Our **Healthy Pet Day** in Tenambit, Maitland, was made possible thanks to the incredible generosity of our wonderful partners Animal Rescue Collective and the Petbarn Foundation, who provided pet food and parasite prevention products to members of the local community. In addition to receiving free vaccinations, health checks and behavioural and training advice, those who attended were able to access subsidised desexing services for their pets.

JANUARY

Starting an exciting educational collaboration, our Hunter Veterinary Hospital hosted two incredible vets from the **Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in Fiji.** Sponsored by a generous RSPCA NSW supporter, these visits allowed our teams to share their knowledge and experience with Seini and Elaine, helping improve animal welfare practices abroad.

FEBRUARY

RSPCA NSW appealed for urgent public assistance after **two abandoned horses** were found on a private property in Bargo. Both horses were found in poor body condition, each suffering from several health conditions after allegedly being dumped. RSPCA NSW Inspectors immediately contacted an equine specialist, transporting the animals to an equine centre for urgent assessment and veterinary care.

MARCH

During NSW Seniors Week, we celebrated the physical, mental, and social benefits of pets for older people. Through our **Seniors for Seniors program**, RSPCA NSW matches senior pets with experienced guardians, offers in home support via our Community Aged Care Program, and provides peace of mind with future care plans through Home Ever After.

OCTOBER

There are oodles of reasons to adopt a rescue animal, from their distinctive personalities to the joy they bring to people's homes. By launching **Rescuoodles**, a brand-new breed of adorable rescue animals, we highlighted the quirky, lovable qualities that make rescue animals so special. We challenged the focus on the 'perfect breed' by encouraging potential pet owners to consider animal adoption as a means of finally discovering their perfect forever friend!

NOVEMBER

We rehomed 282 animals over the course of a single weekend! By **reducing adoption fees to just $29**, we set out to find homes for as many animals as we could. Although $29 doesn't come close to covering our costs for treatment and care, it warmed our hearts to see so many animals find the family of their dreams.

DECEMBER

RSPCA NSW Inspectors and local Council Rangers executed a **search warrant in the New England region to rescue 59 dogs and cats**. Among the 45 canines seized, 25 were puppies. A further 14 cats and kittens were rescued on the day. These precious animals were immediately assessed and given urgent veterinary care to ensure their recovery and wellbeing following the intensive operation.

APRIL

We decided to start off April with a bang and hold a show-stopping festival of our own! As a part of **Petchella**, our shelter stars took centre stage in the first adoption festival of its kind. During the promotion, **our digital festival reached 855,000 fans**. Best of all, 50 of the 140 featured animals finally found their long-awaited homes!

MAY

To celebrate the **30th birthday of our annual Million Paws Walk**, 4,383 dog lovers and their pooches attended nine incredible walks, marching to help fight animal cruelty and give a voice to dogs in need. Generous sponsors like Royal Canin made our event the perfect occasion to celebrate and strengthen the human and animal bond. Thank you to the wonderful dog enthusiasts and their spectacular canine companions for enjoying a historic doggy day out and raising **$358,097** for animals throughout NSW.

JUNE

The NSW Veterinary Practitioners Board celebrated 100 years of formal registration for veterinarians with the **2024 Centenary Medal Awards**. The board honoured RSPCA NSW's very own Dr. Ann-Margret Withers for her outstanding contributions to animal welfare in remote NSW communities. Her support for Indigenous families, children, and their beloved animal companions inspires us to build a better world for humans and animals alike.

ENHANCE ACCESS TO VET CARE

It is well known that the bond we share with our animal companions can be life-changing, especially during times of crisis, financial hardship and grief.

With an increasing number of individuals and families facing financial instability, the demand for affordable veterinary services continues to rise. Our strategic focus has been to alleviate this burden and ensure that pets are not forced to go without necessary medical attention due to financial constraints.

In the last year, we launched several initiatives including a fund available at all RSPCA NSW veterinary clinics that provides subsidised veterinary care to people experiencing crisis and hardship. **We proudly provided 4,552 people with $629,292 worth of subsidised veterinary care, helping 5,108 animals.**

> **"Given the scale of the challenges faced by pet owners trying to access veterinary care, we have, at times, been overwhelmed by the widespread need for assistance and relief. But with that challenge comes the chance to grow and evolve our mission-driven work to ensure more animals than ever can remain in safe and loving homes."**
>
> *- Dr. Liz Arnott, RSPCA NSW Chief Vet*

$40 M
INVESTED IN TREATING ANIMALS

28,437
VETERINARY CONSULTATIONS

6,284 ANIMALS DESEXED
PREVENTING 15,710 ANIMALS BEING BORN

1,562 MAJOR SURGERIES

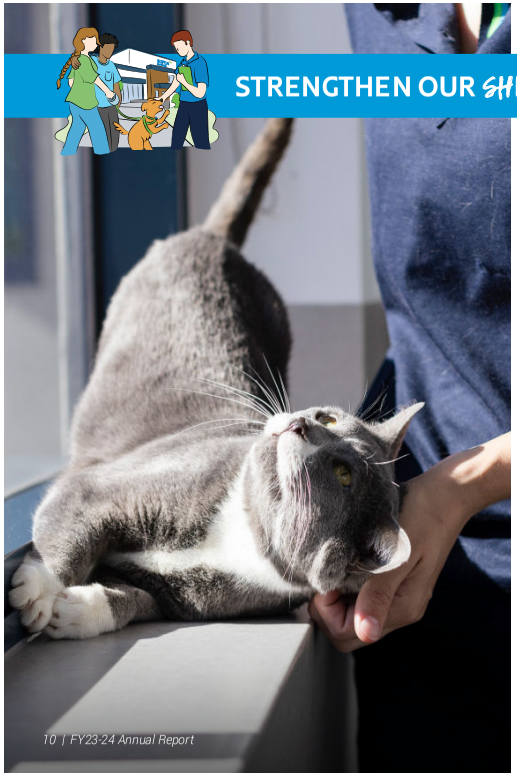
18,748
VACCINATIONS

9,087 MICROCHIPS

3,101 X-RAYS

1,149 DENTALS

Image: A sweet lamb who found her way into the care of our Sydney Veterinary Hospital



STRENGTHEN OUR SHELTER NETWORK

In the last year, we took significant steps to enhance the quality of care within our shelter network, using a contemporary, science-based approach to focus on our animals' unique needs. A busy shelter can be a stressful environment for any animal, let alone one that has been neglected, abandoned, or abused.

Our shelters prioritise the integrated care principle, catering for each animal's **physical, emotional and cognitive health care needs through a collaborative response from our shelter, veterinary, and behaviour teams.** This holistic approach guarantees every animal that turns to us for help receives consistent, high-quality care, ensuring their welfare is being upheld.

To combat the known stressors of a shelter environment for our felines, we implemented brand new cat care standards across all our facilities, alongside **appointing our first certified shelter behaviour advisor for felines**, Isobel Bonello, last year.

Under Isobel's leadership, every shelter now has its very own team of 'Cat Advocates'. Each advocate brings their own unique skills to the role, but most importantly, they are extremely passionate and committed to advancing their knowledge about **specialised feline management**, acting as the lead voice for the kittens and cats in our care.

These advancements equip our staff with specialised training and support to better care and provide for the wellbeing of cats in our shelters. The introduction of these standards has directly led to a number of positive welfare outcomes, including a **decline in cat-flu illness across our sites**.

> **"Like humans, an animal's physical and emotional health is intrinsically linked, and they must always be considered together when it comes to providing comprehensive healthcare. This is why it is essential for our rehabilitation pathways to allow for integrative care between our shelter, veterinary, and behaviour teams. From our vet nurses to our community of foster carers, every single individual within our shelter network plays an integral role in giving these animals the best possible chance of having a good life."**
>
> *- Isobel Bonello, RSPCA NSW Feline Behaviour and Rehabilitation Advisor*

Image: Flynn, a charming cat at our Sydney Adoption Centre

CAILIN'S STORY

Cailin, a sweet Samoyed, was found in a critical condition and rushed to RSPCA NSW for urgent treatment. After receiving the emergency and ongoing rehabilitative care she needed, we are thrilled to report that she made a full recovery. Now, Cailin is thriving in her forever home with her new owner, Anne, who lovingly calls her a "ray of sunshine." Every animal in our care has unique needs, and our adoption readiness process ensures they receive the required medical and behavioural support.

Image: Rescue pup, Cailin

Start Here

ADOPTION READINESS PROCESS

1. Arrival into Care

RSPCA NSW welcomes animals from all walks of life, including pets, injured strays, and survivors of cruelty or neglect. Each one is embraced with compassion and support, no matter their circumstances.

2. Health Check

On intake, every animal undergoes a comprehensive health assessment to identify any immediate or ongoing concerns.

3. Behavioural Evaluation

Our trained team of experts review each case and provide a recommendation, taking into account the animal's previous history, personality, and emotional needs. This step ensures that animals find a pathway that meets their individual needs and prioritises their welfare, enabling them to have a good life.

4. Vaccination, Desexing, and Microchipping

Prior to adoption, vaccinations are given to protect against preventable diseases, desexed (where appropriate to the species) to ensure we are not contributing to pet over-population, and microchipped for identification purposes.

5. Relaxation, Confidence Building and Life Skills

To meet their needs while in our care, we provide daily enrichment activities, preparing them for new homes. These activities include exposure to cars and travel, vet visits, and support for complex emotional needs.

6. Foster Care or Rehabilitation

Some animals that come into our care require additional time and attention before they are ready for adoption. In these cases, they are placed in foster care or moved to one of our rehabilitation sites, where they receive one-on-one attention and support in a quieter environment.

7. Ready for Adoption

After understanding their needs and completing necessary medical procedures, animals are made available for adoption. Their profiles are uploaded to our website and promoted on social media to help find their perfect family.

8. Meet and Greet

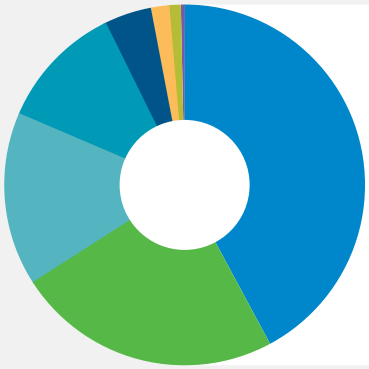
When you express interest in an animal, we encourage a meet-and-greet with all household members, both human and animal. This ensures compatibility and helps the animal settle well into their new environment. Our team carefully matches each animal to a forever home that suits both their needs and the adopter's lifestyle.

9. Ongoing Support for Adopters

RSPCA NSW offers ongoing support to adopters, including post-adoption check-ins via phone or email, settling-in tips, access to behavioural hotlines, and veterinary advice. This ensures pets and families thrive together.

13,082 animals were welcomed into our care in FY23-24.

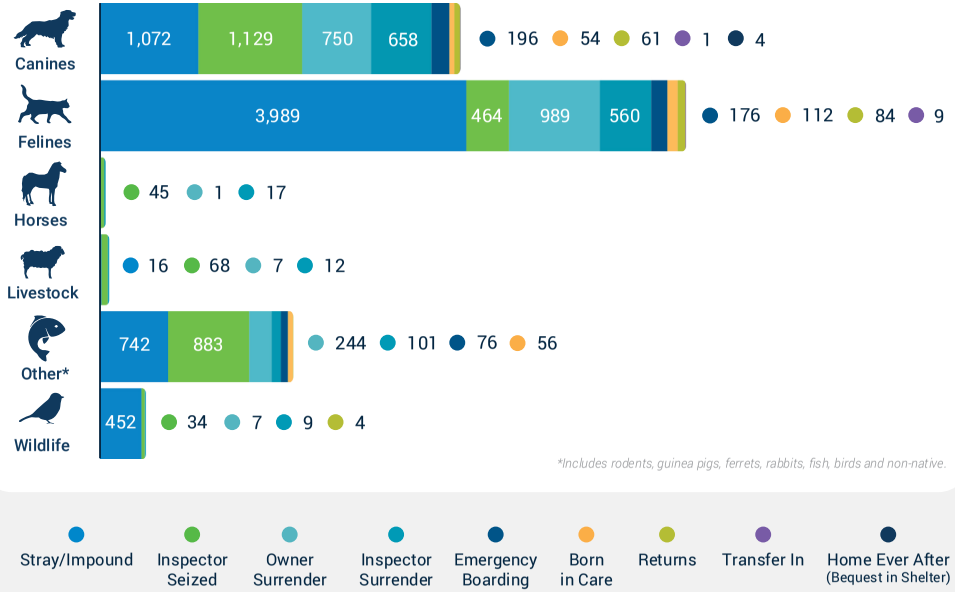
INTAKE PATHWAYS

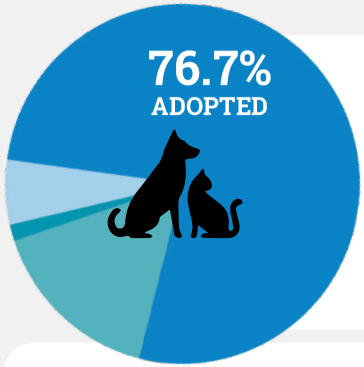


47.9%	**20.1%**	**15.3%**	**10.4%**	
6,271	**2,623**	**1,998**	**1,357**	
Stray/Impound	Inspector Seized	Owner Surrender	Inspector Surrender	
3.4%	**1.7%**	**1.1%**	**0.1%**	**0.0%**
448	**222**	**149**	**10**	**4**
Emergency Boarding	Born in Care	Returns	Transfer In	Home Ever After (Bequest in Shelter)

Over the years, RSPCA NSW has ceased its pound contracts, enabling councils to fulfill their responsibilities under the Companion Animals Act and allowing us to focus our resources on animals most in need. While this shift has gradually reduced our intake, a significant number of stray animals still rely on us for help each year.

INTAKE PATHWAYS BY ANIMAL TYPE





ANIMAL OUTCOMES

8,064 TOTAL LIVE OUTCOMES

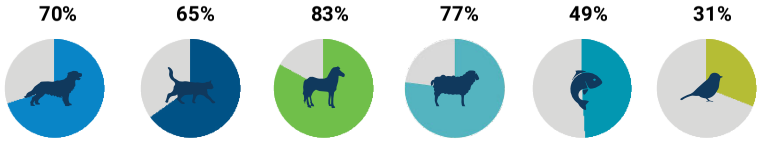
76.7%	15.9%	1.5%	5.8%	0.1%
6,188	1,281	121	468	6
Adopted	Reclaimed	Transferred to Council	Transferred to Rescue Groups	Other^

^Stolen, escaped and wildlife released-to-habitat.

LIVE OUTCOMES BY ANIMAL TYPE

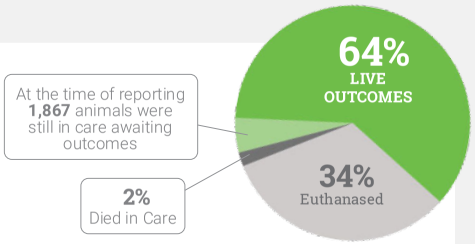
2,779	4,065	79	260	740	141
Dogs/Puppies	Cats/Kittens	Horses	Livestock	Other	Wildlife

LIVE RELEASE RATES BY ANIMAL TYPE



WELFARE OUTCOMES

We encounter animals from all walks of life; pets, injured strays and survivors of cruelty and neglect. We strive to rehabilitate and rehome – particularly when animals require special behavioural or medical care. But when an animal's welfare is so severely compromised, we must make sad and tough decisions to prevent further suffering.



NON-LIVE OUTCOMES BY ANIMAL TYPE

1,169	2,190	16	77	782	316
Dogs/Puppies	Cats/Kittens	Horses	Livestock	Other	Wildlife

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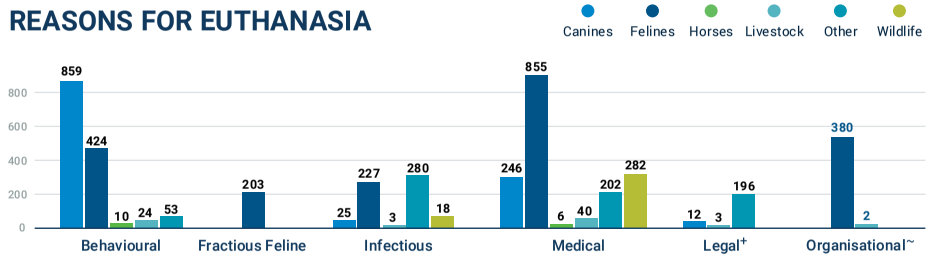


+Deemed dangerous or menacing by local council. ~Unweaned or too young to survive without their mother.

IMPROVE ANIMAL WELFARE POLICY AND REGULATION

While much of our everyday work involves providing direct relief, care, and assistance to animals and pet owners, improving and protecting the future welfare of animals frequently depends on our efforts outside of shelters and veterinary hospitals. Advocating for legislative improvements which will provide greater protections for animals and benefit people and their pets continues to be a strategic priority for RSPCA NSW.

We made several written submissions and provided expert evidence at **more than a dozen parliamentary hearings**, including the inquiries into Pounds in New South Wales, the Veterinary Workforce Shortage in New South Wales, and The Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Amendment (Virtual Stock Fencing) Bill 2024.

Additionally, our advocacy efforts played an instrumental role in securing legislative reforms, such as **changes to the Bail and Other Legislation Amendment (Domestic Violence) Bill 2024**, which ensures that animal cruelty offences are considered in bail applications, and the **Pet-Friendly Strata Reform**, which eliminates unjustified fees and bonds that discourage pet ownership in strata schemes.

We are strategically focused on key areas of advocacy, proactively working to:

1. **Drive policy reform** to strengthen laws and policies that directly impact animal welfare protections and management practices.
2. **Keep people and their pets together** by collaborating with agencies that assist individuals during times of need to support them and their pets.
3. **Safeguard our wildlife and marine animals** by reducing harm and human impact.
4. **Improve access to veterinary services**, including health checks and desexing initiatives in remote and disadvantaged communities.
5. **Advocate** for a holistic, humane, and evidence-based approach to cat management in NSW.

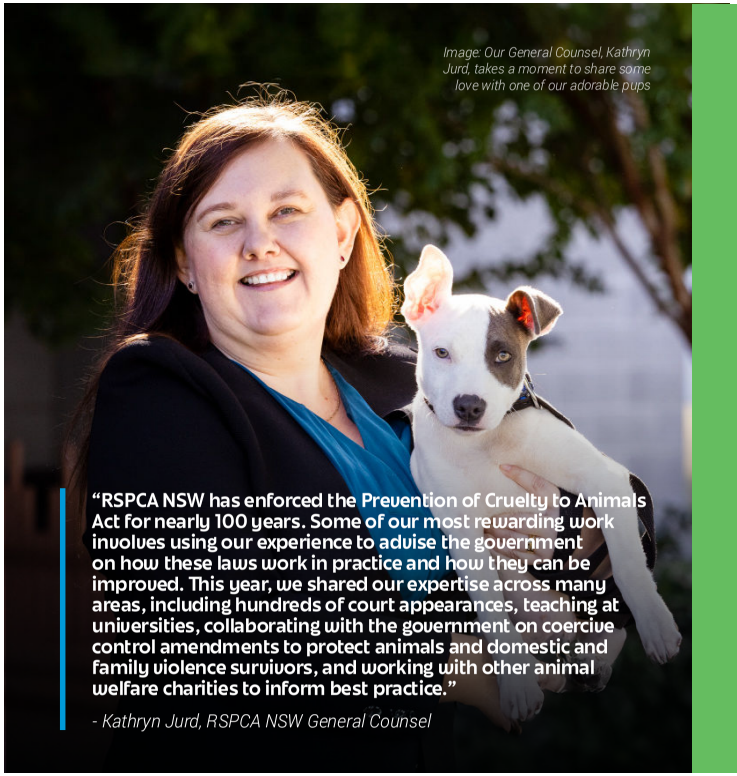


Image: Our General Counsel, Kathryn Jurd, takes a moment to share some love with one of our adorable pups

"RSPCA NSW has enforced the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act for nearly 100 years. Some of our most rewarding work involves using our experience to advise the government on how these laws work in practice and how they can be improved. This year, we shared our expertise across many areas, including hundreds of court appearances, teaching at universities, collaborating with the government on coercive control amendments to protect animals and domestic and family violence survivors, and working with other animal welfare charities to inform best practice."

- Kathryn Jurd, RSPCA NSW General Counsel

ADVOCACY HIGHLIGHT

In March 2024, the NSW Legislative Assembly passed the Animal Research Amendment (Prohibition of Forced Swim Tests and Forced Smoke Inhalation Experiments) Bill 2024, which saw two inhumane testing methods banned in NSW. These inhumane procedures cause rats and mice extreme fear and distress and sometimes death from drowning, hypothermia or asphyxiation. With this historic decision, NSW became the first jurisdiction in the world to ban these testing methods, enhancing protections for rodents involved in animal research throughout NSW.

ROBUST INVOLVEMENT IN EMERGENCIES

In recent years, NSW has weathered a series of unprecedented challenges that have tested the resilience of countless people and their pets. From droughts and the Black Summer Bushfires to record-breaking floods, our state has been pushed to its breaking point time and time again.

Throughout these trials, RSPCA NSW has stood shoulder-to-shoulder with local communities, providing relief and compassion to humans and animals alike.

In February 2024, thanks to the support of the NSW Government and our animal-loving donors, **we opened our brand-new Rescue Centre**, purpose-built to act as a hub for coordinating our state-wide disaster response efforts. The centre houses important emergency equipment like vehicles, horse floats, rescue boats, animal trailers, and specialised mobile triage tents, enabling us to more effectively operate in crises.

This incredible milestone coincided with ongoing recruitment efforts for the **RSPCA NSW Emergency Response Team**, an exciting initiative that we launched in November 2023. Now composed of **167 volunteers and staff**, this dedicated team will stand up in an emergency and help people and their pets affected by bushfires, floods, and other crisis situations.

STRATEGIC HIGHLIGHT

In addition to their normal duties, our Inspectors received training to improve our preparedness for natural disasters. Since December 2023, **Inspectors have undergone specialised boat operations training, alongside large animal rescue training with NSW State Emergency Services (SES)**. Providing our Inspectors with these valuable skills ensures we're equipped to serve our communities in future disaster situations.

Image: Government members at our Rescue Centre's official opening in February 2024

"Planning ahead is key to effectively managing emergencies. By training staff and volunteers, coordinating resources, and educating the community on incorporating animals into their emergency plans, we can help build a stronger, more resilient state for the future."

- Anne Keyvar, RSPCA NSW Emergency Response Manager

INSPECTORATE ACTIVITY

In 2023, we received a **$20.5 million funding boost from the NSW Government**, enabling us to expand our enforcement of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979 (NSW) (POCTAA).

This funding allowed us to recruit **additional Inspectors** and facilitate an increase in investigating animal cruelty in pairs. We also **extended our cruelty hotline to operate 24/7, resulting in 23% more cruelty complaints investigated than the year prior.**

Amid the ongoing cost-of-living crisis and rising mental health challenges, our Inspectorate continues to respond to animal cruelty complaints through education, practical support, and referrals to Crisis Support Programs. This ensures animals receive the care they need while supporting owners through difficult times.

> **"Day to day, the role of our Inspectorate is to respond to cruelty complaints through determining the facts objectively, and working with the animal's owner to resolve welfare issues. If there are occasions where the welfare of an animal is further compromised by their owner, we will turn to legislation and use it as a last resort, which can include prosecuting people."**
>
> *- Scott Meyers, RSPCA NSW Chief Inspector*

FINANCIAL BREAKDOWN

Inspectorate ($11.8M): Supported an increased workforce, rise in investigations of alleged cruelty across the state and external animal care costs.

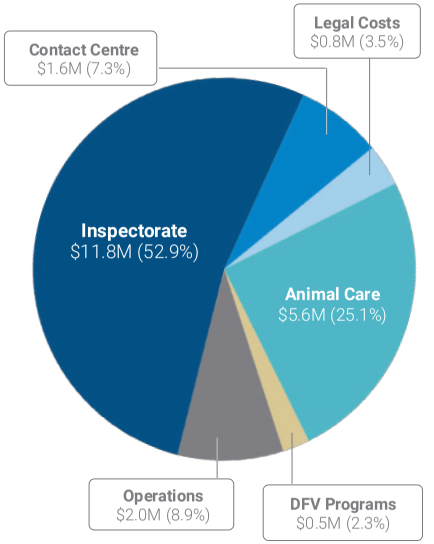
Contact Centre ($1.6M): Operating 24/7, triaging thousands of cruelty complaints and connecting cases to Inspectors for further action.

Legal Costs ($0.8M): Covered all legal costs, including 100 animal cruelty cases.

Animal Care ($5.6M): Provided rehabilitation and support to all animals seized, including urgent veterinary treatment.

Domestic and Family Violence Programs ($0.5M): Enabled women's refuges to become pet-friendly, keeping pets and people together during crises.

Operations ($2.0M): Covered essential staffing, technology, and infrastructure for the smooth delivery of enforcement functions and meeting Government funding obligations.



Total expenditure: $22.3M

These regulatory costs are supported by $1.8 million from RSPCA NSW, supplemented by a one-off $20.5 million funding boost from the NSW Government, to enable the vital enforcement of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979 (NSW) (POCTAA).

WINSTON'S SECOND CHANCE
It all started with a call

Seized to be provided with urgent veterinary care, Winston, a Maltese Terrier, arrived at RSPCA NSW severely matted and emaciated, with tangled fur making up 25% of his body weight. RSPCA NSW prosecuted the person in charge of Winston. The defendant was convicted, fined $1,750 and disqualified from owning animals for five years. Thanks to the dedicated care he received, Winston made a full recovery and was successfully rehomed. Cases like Winston's often begin with just a phone call to RSPCA NSW, highlighting the importance of reporting animal cruelty.

33,035 Information & Advice

7,803 Adoption Enquiries

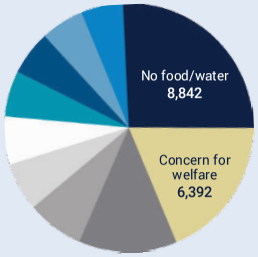
3,129 Crisis Support Services

91,251 Total Calls Taken

32,706 Cruelty Concerns

14,578 Stray/Lost and Found

Top 10 Cruelty Complaints



- Needs vet treatment: **4,381**
- Shelter inadequate: **2,535**
- Locked in small pen: **2,149**
- Unattended 24hrs: **2,136**
- Ill-treatment: **2,042**
- Tied continuously: **1,982**
- Breeder: **1,920**
- Abandoned: **1,876**

INSPECTORATE ACTIVITY

65.7 AVERAGE CRUELTY MATTERS INVESTIGATED PER DAY

17,436 Cruelty Complaints Received

17,093 Cruelty Complaints Investigated by 53 Inspectors

208	135	6,596	64	6	1,237	84	14
INTEL REPORTS	REPORTS REFERRED TO OTHER AGENCIES	MATTERS REVISITED	PROACTIVE INSPECTIONS VIA OUR BCU (BREEDER COMPLIANCE UNIT)	STOCK WELFARE PANELS INVOLVING 865 ANIMALS	WRITTEN DIRECTIONS	PINS (PENALTY INFRINGEMENT NOTICES)	OFFICIAL CAUTIONS

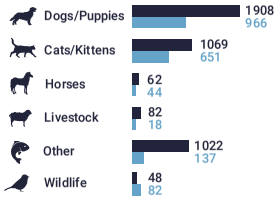
4,161 Animals brought into care via inspectorate

64% Inspector Seized

33% Inspector Surender

3% Other *(Euthanasia requests and the offspring of seized animals born in care)*

INCOMING ANIMAL BY TYPE



96 PROSECUTIONS COMMENCED
60 Ongoing

407 Offences involving **1,928** animals

66 Disqualification Orders Imposed

94 TOTAL PROSECUTIONS FINALISED
48 finalised in FY24 and
46 finalised from previous financial years

KEEPING PEOPLE AND THEIR PETS TOGETHER

For 20 years, our Crisis Support Programs have helped protect the human-animal bond, providing a safe environment for pets until their owners have moved through their period of crisis.

Many Australians depend on their pets for emotional support, especially those experiencing hardship.

Companion animals are likely to be present in up to 70% of Domestic and Family Violence (DFV) cases, either as victims of physical violence or the subjects of coercive control. Victim-survivors might delay leaving (or even return to) situations of DFV, afraid their perpetrator might abandon, neglect, injure or kill animals that are left behind.

RSPCA NSW's Safe Families Framework creates a clear pathway for women escaping domestic violence environments by working with NSW refuges to make them pet-friendly, in turn reducing leaving delays.

Working closely with each individual refuge, the initiative offers frameworks and practical support on how to accommodate humans and pets together on-site, along with safe enclosures, food, preventative treatment, and other materials needed to accommodate animals in the refuge.

Thanks to funding from the NSW Government, **we successfully implemented the Safe Families program with four new DFV refuges in FY24**, with additional refuges scheduled for implementation in FY25.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
181 CLIENTS **311** ANIMALS

AGED CARE
169 CLIENTS **300** ANIMALS

HOMELESSNESS
37 CLIENTS **58** ANIMALS

MENTAL HEALTH AND EMERGENCY BOARDING
116 CLIENTS **218** ANIMALS

244 CLIENTS **296** ANIMALS RECEIVED PET EMERGENCY TREATMENT

RUSTY'S STORY

In December 2023, Rusty was attacked by several stray dogs in his own backyard. His family, already grappling with significant financial challenges, rushed him to our Sydney Veterinary Hospital for help. Rusty's recovery had barely begun when his family lost their home. Through one of our Crisis Support Programs, we were able to care for Rusty until March, **providing 109 nights of safety** until his family found a new home.

Image: Rusty and his owner

ALLOCATION OF RESOURCES TO ANIMALS MOST IN NEED

For nearly two decades, we have been working in remote and regional communities, giving animal guardians the chance to provide their pets with essential care. In the last financial year, our Community Outreach team held **22 Healthy Pet Days**, providing crucial support to pet owners facing financial hardship in marginalised communities.

Through our Community and Animal Welfare Scheme (CAWS), we were able to provide subsidised desexing in six outreach locations across NSW. This included **desexing a total of 425 animals, including 370 cats** in the Canterbury-Bankstown LGA, significantly reducing feline intake at our Sydney Adoption Centre.

We also delivered **essential veterinary care to four remote First Nations communities through our Indigenous Community Companion Animal Health Program (ICCAHP)**. This program aims to improve the health and safety of Indigenous children and families in remote communities through providing veterinary services and education relating to animal and human health, wellbeing and positive pet ownership.

JOINING FORCES FOR ANIMALS IN NEED

In June 2024, our Outreach teams returned from a trip through the New England area, having run our Tamworth, Glen Innes, and Tenterfield Healthy Pet Days. We met with **193 pet owners during the intensive three-day effort and directly assisted more than 200 cats and dogs**. Each event was a resounding success thanks to our volunteer branches, supporter groups, and incredibly generous partners like the Orchard Hills Vet Clinic, Vets Beyond Borders, Tenterfield Shire Council, Glen Innes Severn Council, Tamworth Region Council, Tenterfield Vet, Tenterfield Mobile Vet, Glen Innes Vet, Animal Rescue Cooperative, and the Petbarn Foundation.

3,035 ANIMALS ASSISTED THROUGH COMMUNITY OUTREACH

2,518 ANIMALS DESEXED THROUGH COMMUNITY OUTREACH, PROGRAMS & BRANCHES

3,304 ADULTS & **218** KIDS RECEIVED POSITIVE PET CARE AND BEHAVIOUR ADVICE THROUGH OUTREACH

4 ICCAHP PROGRAMS DELIVERED

495 ANIMALS ASSISTED
171 DESEXED
450 VACCINATED
486 PARASITE PREVENTION

$141,000 RAISED BY BRANCHES & SUPPORTER GROUPS

EMPOWER AND EDUCATE COMMUNITIES

As a leading animal welfare organisation, we believe it is our duty to help empower our communities to understand and protect our animal companions. By educating future animal advocates, we aim to provide the knowledge to value and respect all creatures, great and small.

The RSPCA NSW Education Centre serves as a hub for our community of animal lovers. In the last 12 months, **our Education Centre hosted 5,559 people across 330 tours, conferences, and training sessions**. By facilitating these tours, animal care talks, and corporate experiences, our purpose-built centre remains essential to nurturing love and understanding for our animal companions.

As a Registered Training Organisation (RTO), we're also shaping the future of animal welfare by continuing to develop and deliver a range of nationally accredited and other short courses. In the last financial year, we **instructed more than 600 students through our range of accredited training and general interest courses**, helping to grow the next generation of advocates within the animal welfare sector.

By communicating animal care knowledge and skills to both pet owners and aspiring industry professionals, we strive to strengthen people's connections with the animals they cherish and respect.

600+
STUDENTS STUDIED AND PARTICIPATED IN ACCREDITED AND GENERAL INTEREST COURSES

150
RTO GRADUATES

35
RTO GRADUATES EMPLOYED BY RSPCA NSW

KEEPING CATS SAFE AT HOME

Desexing both helps prevent unwanted litters and, as research shows, actually leads to longer and healthier lives for cats. Following the successful October 2022 launch of our Keeping Cats Safe at Home project's targeted desexing initiative in the Weddin area, we hit an exciting milestone in that community when the **four-year program desexed its 300th cat in June 2024**. This landmark would not have been possible without the support of the NSW Government and its Environmental Trust.

In the last financial year, with the continued support of the NSW Government and 11 local councils, **we visited 937 students to talk about keeping cats safe, and desexed 1,230 cats to prevent unwanted litters**.

"At RSPCA NSW, our commitment to education goes beyond simply expanding access to learning. We believe that understanding animals is key to ensuring their welfare. Through modern, wellbeing-focused training courses and impactful programs, we empower individuals and foster communities dedicated to the ongoing care and protection of animals."

- Adam Farrugia, RSPCA NSW Senior Manager, Training

Image: Cat at Tenterfield Healthy Pet Day

INCREASE YOUNG PEOPLES' CONNECTION TO ANIMALS AND THEIR WELFARE

At RSPCA NSW, our mission goes beyond nurturing future animal advocates; indeed, our commitment extends to pioneering new approaches to strengthen young peoples' connection with animals and empowering them to make positive animal welfare changes in their own lives.

Through our School Holiday Program, we directly engage with young and eager animal enthusiasts, providing insight into positive pet care and promoting a culture that values and protects animals. In the last financial year, we inspired **431 students through the School Holiday Program** alone, fostering future animal carers who appreciate the bond between people and pets.

CONNECTING CULTURE AND ANIMAL CARE

In July, our Education team travelled to Walgett to bring animal education to schools in Community Outreach priority areas – including our **very first visit to Walgett Community College High School! Over three days, we delivered 11 sessions to 215 students**. To meet the needs of diverse learners, we introduced two new First Nation focused art and science lessons. It was such a privilege to have the opportunity to weave important animal care messaging into these subjects and help them explore how they can champion animal welfare in their community.

187
EDUCATION SESSIONS AND ENGAGEMENTS

39
SCHOOL HOLIDAY SESSIONS

431
SCHOOL HOLIDAY PARTICIPANTS

4,354
CHILDREN REACHED THROUGH EDUCATION INITIATIVES

CONTRIBUTE TO A GREENER ENVIRONMENT

Environmental health is essential to animal wellbeing, and we are fully committed to preserving habitats and reducing our carbon footprint.

As a member of the NSW Government's Sustainability Advantage program, RSPCA NSW is leading by example in the animal welfare sector with a landmark commitment to achieving net zero emissions by 2045. This ambitious goal encompasses a comprehensive understanding of our direct emissions, energy consumption, and the indirect impacts of our supply chain and waste management.

Our sustainability initiatives include expanding solar energy use across our sites, transitioning our fleet vehicles to hybrids where possible, and tackling a unique challenge: finding eco-friendly solutions for managing our animal waste.

> **"At RSPCA NSW, we are a passionate and innovative team committed to ensuring that the decisions we make today lead to a sustainable future for our animal friends."**
>
> *- Kia Bailey,*
> *RSPCA NSW Sustainability Committee Member*

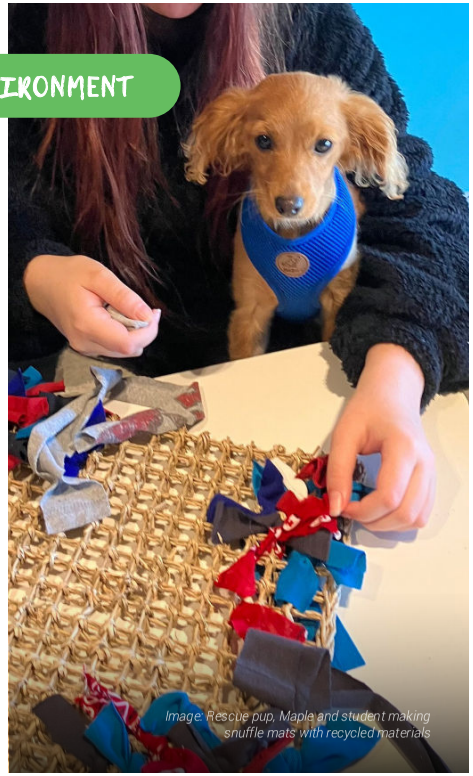


Image: Rescue pup, Maple and student making snuffle mats with recycled materials

MODERNISE THE VOLUNTEER FRAMEWORK

We could not care for as many animals, nor reach as many of their owners without the dedication of our wonderful volunteers. These incredible individuals give their time and energy to support animals in need, making a meaningful impact every day. We're deeply grateful for their commitment to our mission.

This year, we've modernised our volunteer framework to better engage, inspire, and train our volunteers. Through our 'one mission, one team' approach, we're building a **stronger, more connected community** and empowering our volunteers to deliver the highest standards of care and support.

At RSPCA NSW, our volunteers play a vital role across every facet of our organisation. From hands-on roles such as walking dogs and providing enrichment and love to the animals in our care, to essential support behind the scenes, our volunteers truly do it all. They assist with administrative tasks, create engaging content, help transport pets for our programs team, and provide invaluable support in our contact centre. With so many ways to get involved, there's a role for everyone to make a difference for animals in need.

One shining example is our Volunteer of the Year, Reba. For over 15 years, she has made an extraordinary difference at our Hunter Shelter cattery and has fostered hundreds of cats, providing loving temporary homes. We are endlessly thankful to Reba and our other volunteers who stand with us, united by our mission.

We currently have **17 Branch and Supporter Groups and 8 Community Volunteer Groups** across the state. These volunteer-led groups support their communities through desexing programs, fundraising, and more.

During this financial year, we welcomed 677 new volunteers into our organisation. Not only have we had the pleasure of onboarding, training and teaching these these individuals about their respective roles, we have also been able to create life-long connections with them along the way.

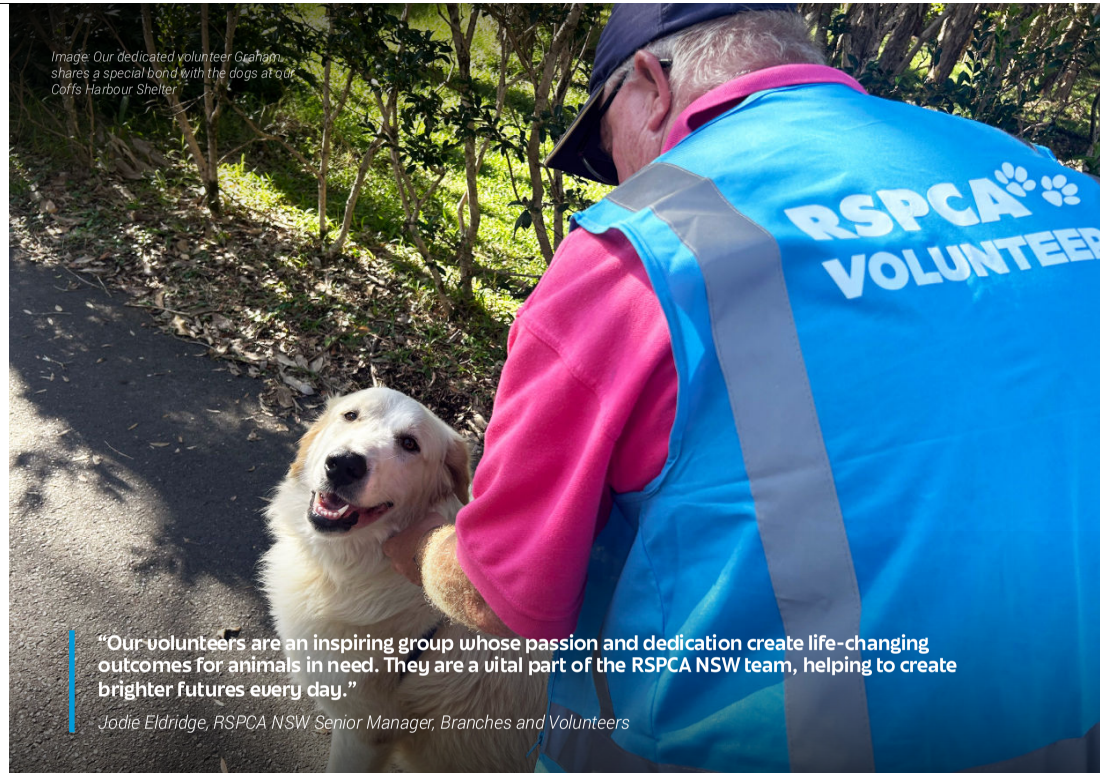


Image: Our dedicated volunteer Graham shares a special bond with the dogs at our Coffs Harbour Shelter

"Our volunteers are an inspiring group whose passion and dedication create life-changing outcomes for animals in need. They are a vital part of the RSPCA NSW team, helping to create brighter futures every day."

Jodie Eldridge, RSPCA NSW Senior Manager, Branches and Volunteers

ONLY POSSIBLE BECAUSE OF YOU

Your support is the backbone of our work, enabling us to facilitate meaningful change for animals every day.

With the help of more than **45,000 donors, we received $15,500,000 in life-saving contributions last year**. Along with the thousands of passionate attendees at our community events, nearly 4,000 fundraisers, and the 222 generous individuals who left gifts in their Wills to RSPCA NSW, you helped us make astonishing leaps and bounds for vulnerable animals across the state.

RSPCA NSW remains committed to adding to and improving the diverse range of services we provide. From our donor-funded Access to Vet Care Program, to expanding the impact of our Crisis Support and Outreach Programs, helping us reach the most vulnerable humans and animals in our communities, the progress we have made would not have been possible without your kindness and belief in our mission.

Thank you for sharing our vision of a world where animals are cared for, healthy, and safe. Without your support, our triumphs and achievements simply would not be the same.

> **"Our donors care so much, and their love for animals is truly inspiring. They're the reason we work so hard every day. They understand how tough this work can be and always stand behind RSPCA. Looking at everything we've achieved, it's clear - we couldn't have done it without their incredible kindness."**
>
> *- Phoebe Brasher, RSPCA NSW Senior Manager, Fundraising*

A COMPANY THAT CARES

A long-term partner of RSPCA NSW (and interstate member societies), The Hoyts Group advocate their staff to contribute via Workplace Giving and workplace fundraisers. They also rally behind our efforts by promoting our campaigns in their cinemas, as well as hosting our inaugural RSPCA In Shorts Film Festival, in October 2023, which showcased heart-warming and poignant animal rescue stories.

Image: Ambassador dog, Cailin and a supporter attending the inaugural RSPCA In Shorts Film Festival

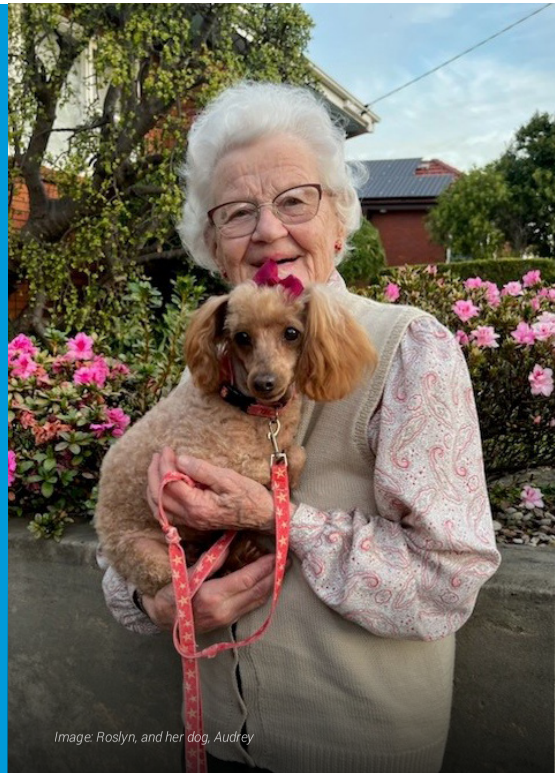


Image: Roslyn, and her dog, Audrey

ROSLYN'S LOVE FOR ANIMALS

Joining the cause in 1970, it was a humble beginning for Roslyn. Fundraising with a small group of animal lovers, **she helped to raise $17,000 to build a small shelter on leasehold land for which Wollongong Council** agreed to accept a peppercorn rent – all operated by volunteers before employment was affordable. The shelter was named the James Memorial Centre in honour of its first President.

Her incredible five decades of partnership and firm determination includes (but is not limited to) **rallying community members for funding, speaking against the atrocities of animal neglect and cruelty that once were overseen, and visiting schools and organisations to educate** about animal care and positive ownership practices.

Today, the RSPCA NSW Illawarra Shelter operates from a newer, larger building in a tranquil area of the region. And Roslyn continues to support and advocate for the animals, including popping into the shelter to make donations of all sorts and visit staff.

Roslyn's tenacity to better the welfare of animals has inspired us and so many animal lovers to continue forging a path where all creatures great and small only experience **love, safety, and good health.**

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

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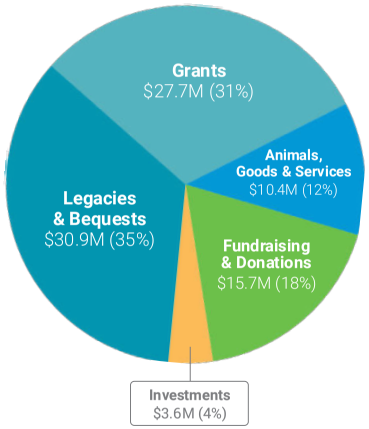
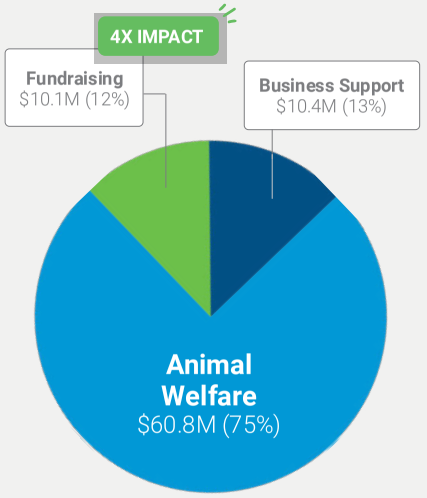


Total income: $88.3M

- **Grants (31%)**
  In the 2023/24 financial year, RSPCA NSW was the recipient of a one-time commitment from the state government to fund inspectorate services (flip to page 22 to read more about this funding). In the previous year, government grants comprised only 10% of our annual revenue. Grants also supported capital projects that improved RSPCA NSW facilities.
- **Animals, Goods & Services (12%)**
  Includes the revenue from private clients of our three veterinary hospitals, the fees for animal adoptions, and retail sales.
- **Fundraising & Donations (18%)**
  We are so grateful to our generous, passionate donors who show their love for animals in so many ways. Whether giving to annual and urgent campaigns, making recurring monthly donations which provide stable and dependable funds to RSPCA NSW, or participating in community events, their support allows us to respond immediately to the greatest needs across the state.
- **Investments (4%):**
  Occasionally, RSPCA NSW will receive generous gifts of securities, such as shares, largely through Gifts in Wills. Retaining some of these gifts provides the organisation with predictable, secure future income we can use should we need to, or if emergency funds are required.
- **Legacies & Bequests (35%)**
  The beautiful, final gifts animal lovers leave in their Wills provide care for one in every three animals RSPCA NSW helps. Compassionate supporters' legacies live on through the thousands of animals saved by their kindness every year.

EXPENSES



Total expenses: $81.3M

- **Animal Welfare (75%)**
  Encompassing the operation of our shelters, rehabilitation centres, and hospitals, the work of our Inspectorate, and our numerous Community Outreach initiatives, Crisis Support Programs, and veterinary assistance funds. This is the reason we are all here - to improve the lives and wellbeing of animals both in our care and through supporting pet owners across the state.
- **Fundraising & Donations (12%)**
  Fundraising is essential to the sustainability of RSPCA NSW. It's how we ensure our vital work for animals continues long into the future.
  Return on Investment: For every $1 spent on fundraising, the team raised more than $4 back!
- **Business Support (13%)**
  Frequently referred to as 'overheads', not-for-profits may feel external pressure to keep these expenses low. But we cannot be successful, sustainable, or accountable without them. Investments in areas like technology, data security, governance, training, and mental health support programs ensures all our staff and volunteers are best placed, and supported, to help more animals.

RSPCA New South Wales

Meow, Woof, Neigh, Baa, Oink, Chirp, Squeak, Moo, Cluck, Bleat, Cock-a-Doodle, Quack.

Thank you!

ROYAL CANIN

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PETBARN

When we all care, animals thrive

FY2025 Annual Report

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Image: In good hands — this guinea pig awaits a forever home

Cover Image: RSPCA NSW Community Vet Nurse and client puppy at Healthy Pet Day

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We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the lands on which we live and work. We recognise and respect the enduring relationship they have with their lands and waterways, and particularly acknowledge the vital role animals have played in Indigenous life, stories and culture for tens of thousands of years.

President's letter

I have been privileged to lead RSPCA NSW since my appointment as President in November 2024, after having spent four years as a Director on the Board. Working alongside our dedicated staff, volunteers, supporters and fellow Board members remains one of the great honours of my career. Every day I am reminded of this organisation's extraordinary commitment and enduring purpose which is to improve the lives of animals and the people who care for them.

This year has seen remarkable progress in establishing our next strategic phase, which provides a **Prevention-First Framework** for a proactive, prevention-led approach to animal welfare. At its core it will ensure our focus extends beyond responding to crisis and cruelty, to building knowledge and capacity, and supporting initiatives that keep animals safe and families and their pets together. By acting earlier and more collaboratively, we are reducing suffering, strengthening community resilience and achieving better outcomes for both animals and people.

We also recognise the growing impact of cost-of-living pressures across our communities. Many families are struggling to meet basic needs, and these challenges affect the welfare of the animals who depend on them. Through our education and outreach, veterinary and community programs, RSPCA NSW is supporting people in hardship so their pets can remain part of the family.

At the same time, we are strengthening long-term financial sustainability through careful stewardship, diversified income and investment in our people and infrastructure to ensure compassionate, evidence-based and resilient services for the future.

Peter O'Callaghan
President

26,206 animals helped

14,687 people supported

5,994 animals adopted

4 shelters

2 behaviour and rehab facilities

17,946 cruelty reports received

2,094 volunteers and **549** employees

1,032 foster carers

3 veterinary hospitals

1 Education Centre

Year at a glance

July

On 1 July 2024, the NSW Government implemented **new laws to protect people from coercive control**. Our advocacy efforts were instrumental in reforms to protect the **safety of pets** who are often weaponised by perpetrators of domestic and family violence to exert control and manipulate their partners or family members.

August

Thanks to the incredible generosity of a compassionate, dog-loving donor, **adoption fees for dogs and puppies were covered for a two-week promotion**. The 168 dogs adopted during the promotion went to their new homes with a care package from Royal Canin, Advocate and Kong.

September

Virbac hired the Sydney Education Centre for a full-day session as part of their new starter induction. A great opportunity to offer a unique experience and support a cause they care about, staff enjoyed a behind-the-scenes tour of the Adoption Centre and Veterinary Hospital. It was Virbac's ninth time hiring the Centre.

January

Back by popular demand, our third **Poorly Drawn Pets** campaign put the fun back into fundraising! For a small donation, people submitted photos of their pets and were sent a poorly drawn portrait (or a masterpiece!) of their pet in time for Valentine's Day. **1,302 portraits were drawn by our volunteers to raise $53,445**.

February

We regularly host industry professionals from vets and students to international government officials. Sharing our practices enables us to impact animal welfare globally. Through our National Nutrition Partner, Royal Canin, **we welcomed 40 vets from India** who toured our Sydney veterinary hospital, learning from Dr Jeffrey about veterinary care at RSPCA NSW.

March

Our Hunter Veterinary Hospital took home the **SafetyNet PetAssist Community Service Award** at the inaugural GapOnly® Veterinary Awards. Our **Access to Vet Care** program was honoured for breaking down financial and social barriers to getting veterinary treatment. It's a testament to our team's compassion, innovation and belief that every animal deserves care, no matter their owner's circumstances.

October

Broken Hill was hit hard by a storm that destroyed the town's power supply. At the same time, their back-up generator overheated and failed. A shout out to our Broken Hill Veterinary Hospital for swiftly organising a generator so we could keep providing care to local animals over those two weeks!

November

We launched a new campaign for the **Keeping Cats Safe at Home** program: *Not All Cat Videos Are Funny*. It was developed to raise awareness of the risks of cats roaming and increase caregivers' motivation to keep their cats safe at home to minimise risk of injury and death on the road.

December

We received **a huge number of donations in the lead up to the holiday season**, including pet toys and food, blankets and other items. The generosity of our community brought immense joy and comfort to our animals and made sure every animal in the shelter felt loved and special.

April

Our Education and Outreach teams made the 1,960 km roundtrip to Wilcannia for education visits to **deliver sessions on Caring for Animals and Animal Careers**. The team provided 108 dogs and 16 cats with vaccinations, health checks, microchips, parasite prevention and pet food. We also desexed 49 dogs and 16 cats!

May

We announced **Ann Dewson as our 2025 RSPCA NSW Volunteer of the Year**! As our longest-serving volunteer, Ann has dedicated an extraordinary 48 years to RSPCA NSW. As the powerhouse behind the Illawarra Branch, her leadership helps to raise vital funds to support the shelter and provide surgeries. Thank you, Ann!

June

RSPCA NSW Central West Shelter closed its doors for the last time. For over 60+ years, thousands of animals were cared for, adopted into loving homes for a fresh start or reunited with their families. Thanks to the staff, volunteers, foster carers and donors who made an extraordinary difference in the Orange region.

Fur-well to Million Paws Walk

After an incredible 31-year journey, we said goodbye to Million Paws Walk this year with **One Last Lap**. While the Sydney, Port Macquarie and Taree events had to be cancelled because of extreme weather, seven other walks (including in the Illawarra, Broken Hill and Albury) went ahead with hundreds of participants and their super pooches.

Million Paws Walk participants not only supported animal welfare through registration and fundraising, but they became ambassadors for the RSPCA, championing our work within their own communities.

Over the decades, 765,000 superhumans and 410,000 super pooches pounded the pavement, collectively raising $18 million for vital RSPCA services across Australia.

Ending one of RSPCA's most beloved fundraising events was not an easy decision. Rising event costs, changes in community fundraising, the increased cost of living and the desire to ensure maximum funds go directly to animal care led us to make this difficult decision.

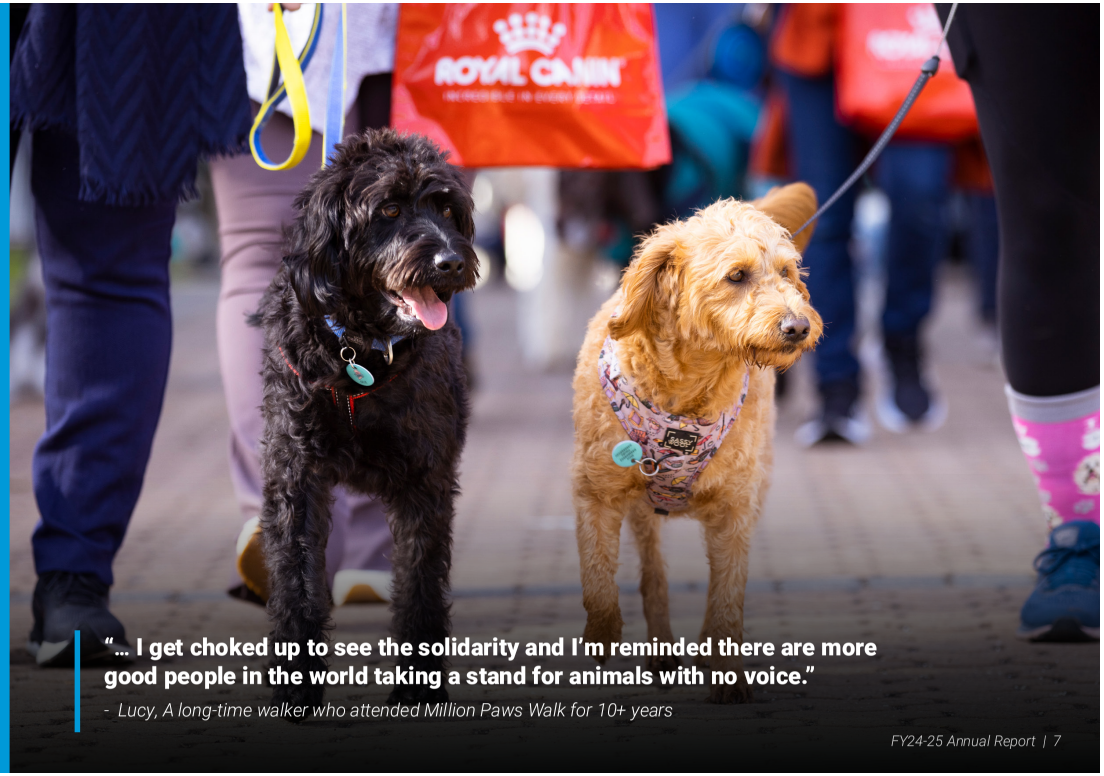
> **"I know this event will be sorely missed, but its legacy of joy, community and support for animals will live on."**
>
> *- Ben Wilheim, Community Fundraising Manager*

A warm thank you

To every superhuman and super pooch who took part, every staff member and volunteer who brought the events to life, and every family and friend who cheered, raised funds and donated along the way, thank you a million times over. The legacy of Million Paws Walk will live on in the animals helped, the communities connected and the memories cherished.

Million Paws Walk may have taken its final lap, but the commitment, love and support of our community continue to inspire the next chapter of fundraising for animals in need.

From all of us at RSPCA NSW, thank you for 31 incredible years of Million Paws Walk.



> **"... I get choked up to see the solidarity and I'm reminded there are more good people in the world taking a stand for animals with no voice."**
>
> *- Lucy, A long-time walker who attended Million Paws Walk for 10+ years*

The power of kindness

At RSPCA NSW, kindness keeps us going. We couldn't continue our work without the generosity of people all over NSW who care deeply about animals. Their compassion powers every part of our organisation, and their dedication helps create a better world for animals.

The generosity of these kind individuals ensures that we can:

- **operate our shelters and veterinary clinics**
- **advocate for stronger animal welfare protections**
- **deliver community and education programs that change lives**
- **treat and rehabilitate animals brought in through our Inspectorate.**

Bequests to RSPCA NSW represent more than 30% of our total funding and are vital to the rescue, rehabilitation and rehoming of tens of thousands of animals each year.

We're deeply grateful to the many individuals who choose to leave a gift to RSPCA NSW in their Will. Their compassion lives on through every animal cared for and every life transformed in their name.

> **"Muffin is the best thing that ever happened to me. When my mum died, Muffin's comfort made me know that I was going to be ok. I decided to leave RSPCA NSW in my Will because every pet deserves a loving home... My friends love that I left RSPCA in my Will and it's inspired them to do the same."**
>
> *- Felicity Cooper, on leaving a gift in her Will to RSPCA NSW*

31,448 individual donors

23,089 monthly donors

2,031 community fundraisers

701 corporate supporters

197 Gifts in Wills

RSPCA NSW and Petbarn working together for the animals

Since 2012, RSPCA NSW and Petbarn have worked hand in hand to help animals in need. Together, we created Australia's first in-store cat and kitten adoption program, and over the past 13 years, more than 25,000 animals in NSW (and more than 62,000 across Australia!) have found their forever homes, including 1,173 in FY2025.

Today, RSPCA NSW animals are adopted from 48 Petbarn stores across NSW with 100% of adoption fees directed back to us to support the care of animals in need.

In FY2025, the Petbarn Foundation contributed another $450,000 to RSPCA NSW, funding vital programs that give animals and the people who care for them a brighter, safer future. We are grateful to the Petbarn Foundation, all dedicated Petbarn staff and their animal-loving customers for this tremendous ongoing support.

> **"Our relationship with the RSPCA continues to grow and together we've been able to create meaningful impact for thousands of animals in need."**
>
> *- Janelle Miller, Petbarn Foundation Manager*

$250,000
raised in the Petbarn Tree of Hope campaign, funding outreach days, adoption support, foster care and those escaping domestic and family violence

$80,000
of products instore to support our Inspectorate

$70,000
raised in NSW to support pet owners escaping domestic and family violence in a new in-store campaign ($300,000 in total raised for RSPCAs nationally!)

$50,000
for Wilcannia veterinary, education and outreach

Letter from the CEO

In my role, nothing is more rewarding than seeing the exceptional expertise, dedication and compassion of our hard-working staff and volunteers.

This year – like so many people and communities across the state – we experienced financial challenges that impacted our operations, planning, and staffing. Despite this, I am immensely proud of our gains in delivering impactful and innovative programs and services to the people and animals of NSW that raise standards of care and contribute to national leadership in animal welfare.

Our work is guided by a deep commitment to meeting the changing needs of our communities. After extensive consultation, learning and planning, we introduced a **'Spectrum of Prevention' framework** to better align our teams and focus our efforts. This approach spans proactive, early intervention and reactive modes of prevention and helps us to deliver impact where it's needed most. Already we are seeing positive trends, signalling that our prevention initiatives are making an impact. And for those animals who do come into our care, our inspectors, shelters and expert teams are still there to provide safety and the care they need.

When people and communities are safe, healthy and thriving, so are their animals. Our programs are designed to help animals live in safe, healthy environments and support the people who care for them.

None of these efforts are possible without the generosity of so many compassionate people across NSW. Because of every supporter, donor, volunteer and partner, we can continue to care for animals, strengthen communities, support pet owners and drive lasting change across NSW.

Thank you.

Steve Coleman
RSPCA NSW CEO

Image: RSPCA NSW Community Vet Nurse holding a puppy at a Community Outreach event

The Spectrum of Prevention

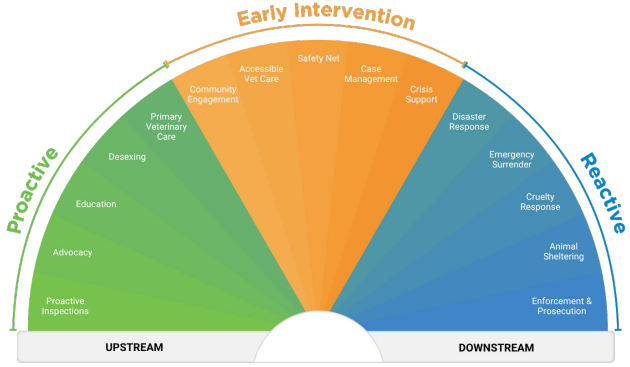
For years we have found ourselves caught in a reactive cycle, responding to more cruelty complaints and support requests each year. It led us to ask an important question: how can RSPCA NSW break that cycle and focus more on preventing harm, suffering and cruelty before it happens?

The answer was to create a **'Spectrum of Prevention'** framework that takes a truly holistic approach to animal welfare.

In practice, our initiatives and programs often overlap and evolve, reflecting the real-world complexity of animal welfare. The Spectrum helps us shift our focus from responding to crises to tackling the root causes of suffering, including social and economic disadvantage and inequitable access to care.

By connecting service delivery, education, enforcement and advocacy under a unified approach, the Spectrum builds alignment across our organisation.

It strengthens our ability to plan strategically, allocate resources effectively and create lasting impact for animals and the people who care for them.



Proactive

Proactive prevention encompasses forward-looking initiatives that tackle the social, economic and systemic factors that lead to animal suffering and help to:

- keep animals safe
- mitigate the risk of harm occurring.
- support people to care for their pets

Early Intervention

Early intervention includes prompt support that identifies and addresses welfare concerns before they escalate. This helps to:

- protect animals
- help animal carers
- mitigate the risk of further harm
- help to improve outcomes for both.

Reactive

Reactive prevention is the swift, compassionate response to harm which has already occurred. These actions:

- provide urgent care to support recovery
- reduce further suffering
- ensure animals receive the urgent help they need.

Image: Client kitten at Bidwell Healthy Pet Day

Creating a kinder future through advocacy

Throughout FY2025, RSPCA NSW continued to advocate for stronger animal welfare protections and to improve legislation.

Our advocacy included consultations and submissions on the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Amendment (Puppy Farming) Bill 2024, the Residential Tenancies Amendment (Pet-friendly Rentals) Bill 2024 and the Crimes Amendment (Animal Sexual Abuse) Bill 2024.

We also participated in key reviews and inquiries, such as the Companion Animals Act review, the Inquiry into Cat Management in NSW and the Inquiry into Virtual Fencing. Ongoing engagement has driven law reform to support renters, victim-survivors of domestic and family violence with pets and the continued advocacy for the phase-out of battery cages by 2036.

We are frequently sought out by government, industry and the broader community to consult on animal welfare regulatory issues. At times we would prefer to see greater improvements and more quickly, but it is our job to speak on behalf of animals and advocate for enhanced animal welfare protections where they are lacking and even if progress appears slow.

11 legislation sessions and briefings

8 inquiries and consultations

6 legal and presentation papers

Pets in rental housing

Since 2022, we have championed tenancy laws to support pet ownership, reduce surrenders and ensure fair treatment for tenants and their pets. Our advocacy helped shape the Residential Tenancies Amendment (Animals in Residential Premises) Bill 2024, which:

- bans extra rent or bond for pet owners
- prevents unreasonable pet refusals
- makes it illegal to advertise rentals with blanket 'no pets' policies.

These reforms took effect on 19 May 2025, making it easier and fairer for renters and their pets to stay together in safe, caring homes.

Giving animals a voice in emergencies

On 11 June 2025, we held our inaugural **Animals in Emergencies Conference** at our Sydney Education Centre.

A first of its kind in Australia, we brought together animal welfare and wildlife groups, emergency services, farming organisations, councils and government agencies, united by a shared goal to find better ways to support animals before, during and after emergencies.

The aim of the conference was to strengthen collaboration across key sectors and improve outcomes for animals through:

- Interactive sessions to share strategies and solutions
- Expert insights on emergency response and best animal welfare practices
- Opportunities for connection between professionals to improve NSW's response to disaster preparedness and emergency response

We hope this event continues to grow and inspire greater collaboration across the sector, ultimately helping more animals in need.

Building a safer, compassionate future through education

Education is key to RSPCA NSW's mission to prevent cruelty to animals. Through a One Welfare and Humane Education approach, our programs:

- raise awareness
- foster compassion
- empower young people to value and protect animals.

Youth and Animals Program

Our Youth and Animals Program (YAP) helps young people recognise that animals experience a wide range of emotions. By connecting with animals' feelings and experiences, participants develop compassion, empathy and respect, values that extend beyond the classroom.

YAP is delivered in partnership with youth support groups that work with young people facing challenges such as school disengagement, low self-efficacy, behavioural or emotional regulation difficulties, or mental ill health.

Through hands-on engagement, participants learn how to recognise and respond to animal body language, practice respectful interactions and challenge negative stereotypes.

"I continue to be blown away by the powerful connection [the kids] have with the animals while attending this... sensitive, empowering, life changing program."

- Angela, Wellbeing and Careers Counsellor, Warakirri College

3,076 children reached through curriculum-aligned initiatives

551 students studied and participated in accredited and general interest courses

15 First Nations-focused education sessions, reaching **616** young people in remote communities

105 RTO graduates

438 YAP participants across **52** sessions

125 education sessions and engagements

25 school holiday sessions for **346** participants

42 current staff started via our Cert II Animal Care course

Junior Animal Carers

In early January we welcomed young people from the Bidwill and Cranebrook communities to our Education Centre for two free Junior Animal Carers school holiday sessions.

Participants learnt about animal welfare and how to recognise animals' emotions through interactive activities such as quizzes and scavenger hunts. They practised gentle care with plush animal models and met some of our shelter residents, including the newest member of our education team, a female betta fish.

Image: RSPCA NSW School Holiday Program

Reaching the animals who need us most

RSPCA NSW's Community Outreach focuses on helping families keep their animals healthy and well cared for at home. Taking a community-centred approach, our team delivers services where they're needed most, breaking down barriers to accessing essential veterinary care such as health checks, desexing, vaccinations and microchipping for people and animals who might otherwise go without.

During FY2025, we supported **2,291 low-income families with 3,340 animals in underserved communities** across NSW through our Community Outreach work. Services were delivered through 13 Healthy Pet Day events, four Community and Animal Welfare Scheme desexing programs and six Indigenous Community Companion Animal Health Programs.

Essential to these programs is providing education and positive pet ownership advice within each community, and during the year we **reached 3,368 adults and 124 children**. We also co-designed culturally appropriate partnerships with the Indigenous communities visited, delivering real benefit and lasting impact. By providing remote and underserved communities with trusted information and practical support, we're helping create a brighter future for humans and animals alike.

2,680 animals desexed via our community programs and volunteer groups

2,190 animals vaccinated

2,069 doses of parasite prevention administered

Maria and Luna

Maria brought her young cat, Luna, to a Community Outreach event in regional NSW. Maria explained that Luna had already had one litter of kittens and she was struggling to manage the costs and find homes for them.

Without support, Maria would not have been able to afford desexing. Through our program, Luna was desexed, vaccinated and microchipped at no cost to Maria, who also received positive pet ownership advice and parasite prevention treatments to help Luna stay healthy.

Maria later told our team, "I feel such relief knowing Luna won't have more kittens I can't care for. Thank you for helping me do the right thing for her."

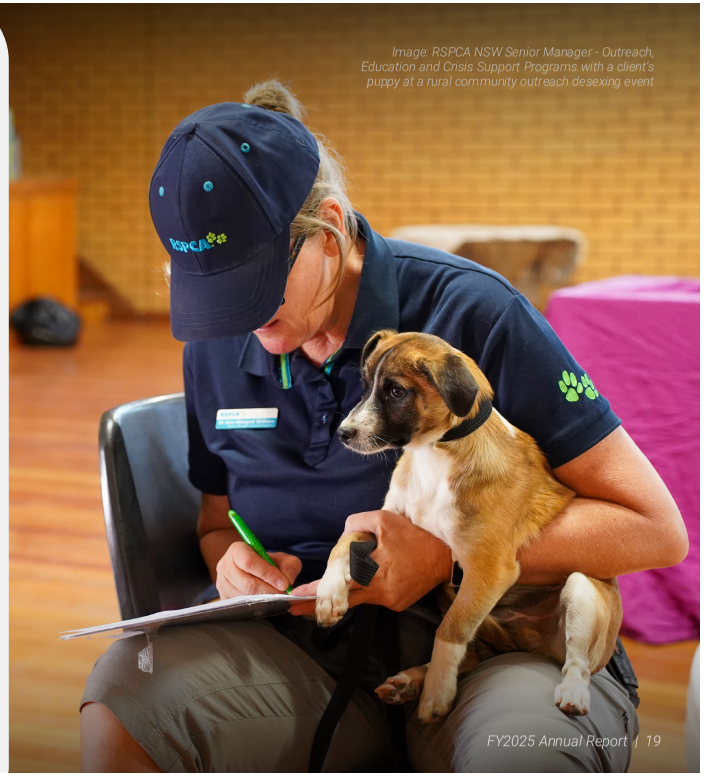


Image: RSPCA NSW Senior Manager - Outreach, Education and Crisis Support Programs with a client's puppy at a rural community outreach desexing event

Image: A cat visiting one of our clinics for its annual health check

Cat populations across NSW

Cats consistently make up the largest group of animals entering our shelters, accounting for 55% of our intake this year and 49% last year. With around 65% of these cats arriving as strays, tackling the root causes of cat overpopulation remains a critical focus for RSPCA NSW.

We are working to transform the way communities care for cats across NSW, combining behavioural insights, education and practical support to help owners and caregivers keep cats safely contained and reduce preventable litters.

During FY2025, the **Keeping Cats Safe at Home (KCSAH)** campaign continued to promote the benefits of keeping cats safe at home, including that they can have longer lives, fewer injuries and a stronger bond with their carers.

We also successfully completed a pilot of **StrayCare**, a cat desexing program targeting the Cumberland local government area (LGA), thanks to the support of The Curtis Family Foundation.

Through this initiative, **237 cats were desexed**, preventing an estimated **670 kittens** from being born and reducing cat intake in the area by 31% compared to the previous year. The pilot was so successful that we've now expanded it to 29 new areas.

Through KCSAH initiatives:

2,700+ cats desexed

Free roaming cat population density reduced by:

25% in Tweed Shire

35% in Campbelltown

51% in the Blue Mountains

We successfully completed **Phase 1 of the KCSAH** project in 11 NSW LGAs, which increased uptake of cat containment and desexing and also reduced cat intake and euthanasia at key council pounds.

Building on this success, we secured a $6 million grant from the NSW Government's Environmental Trust that will support a statewide, **prevention-first** social marketing campaign alongside targeted desexing programs in 30 LGAs.

Keeping animals healthy in shelters and homes

Shelter medicine is a unique field of veterinary science focused on providing **high-quality care to individual animals while also managing the health and wellbeing of the shelter population**. With more than 10,000 animals coming through our doors in FY2025, preventing disease and maintaining animal health is complex but essential to ensuring every animal receives the care they deserve in busy shelter environments.

Our approach to shelter medicine extends beyond our facilities to supporting the health of animals in foster and adoptive homes where **reduced fear, anxiety and stress can aid recovery.**

To manage high volumes while meeting each animal's individual needs, our veterinarians support the other RSPCA teams by delivering:

- an integrative health approach to protect the welfare of shelter animals
- treatments and procedures for Community Outreach and Access to Vet Care clients
- contributions to cruelty investigations and prosecutions, providing clinical assessments and expert opinion

Glow program

Ringworm is a fungal infection that affects both animals and people. Though highly contagious, it is entirely treatable but difficult to do so in a shelter setting. To give affected cats a better chance at recovery, RSPCA NSW launched the **'Glow' program to help cats with ringworm be adopted** into their forever homes while still receiving treatment.

Over the year, 15 cats (and four puppies!) were adopted through this program. The average length of stay before adoption for Glow cats was 18 days, with some kittens rehomed after only one to two days, **saving an estimated 840 days in the shelter.**

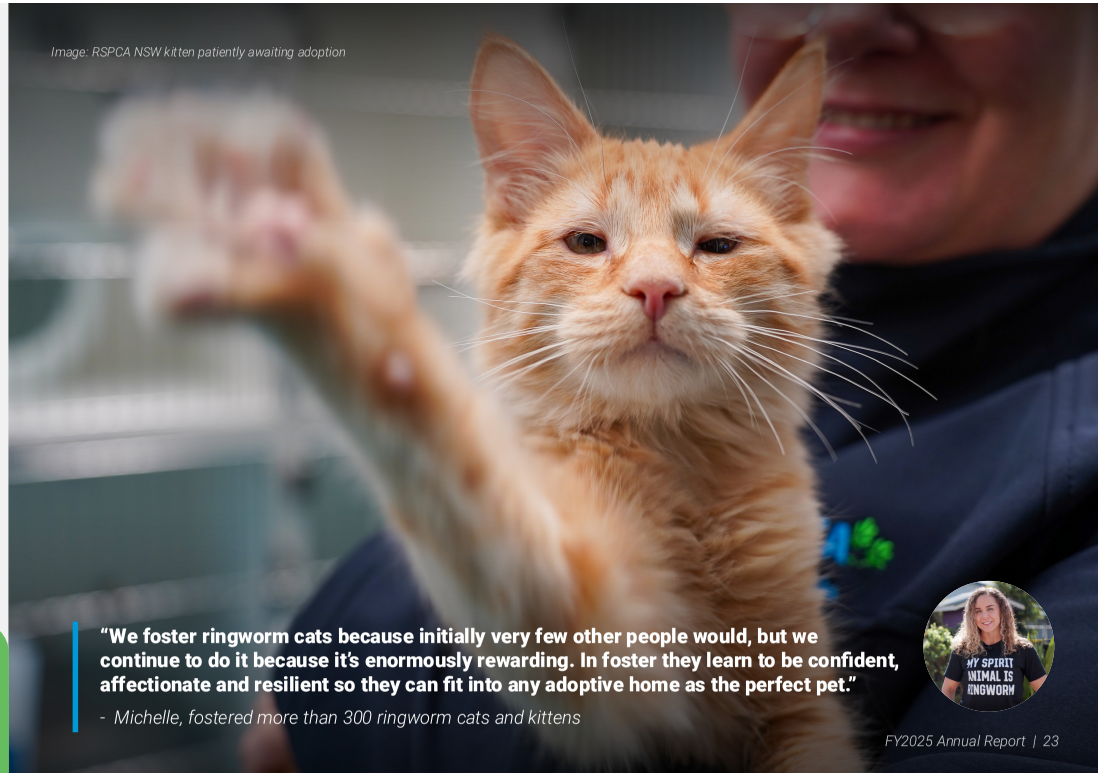


Image: RSPCA NSW kitten patiently awaiting adoption

"We foster ringworm cats because initially very few other people would, but we continue to do it because it's enormously rewarding. In foster they learn to be confident, affectionate and resilient so they can fit into any adoptive home as the perfect pet."

- Michelle, fostered more than 300 ringworm cats and kittens

At our three RSPCA NSW veterinary hospitals in Sydney, Hunter and Broken Hill:

30,559 consultations | **23,522** vaccinations | **8,282** shelter animals cared for | **7,144** desexings | **1,168** dentals | **1,438** surgeries

Helping adoptions last a lifetime

Nothing brings us more joy than seeing animals find their forever homes. While only a very small number of adopted animals are returned each year, we know that welcoming a new pet can come with challenges, and assistance may be needed through the transition.

During FY2025, we **enhanced our post-adoption care and follow-up support** to help families and their new companions settle in and thrive together.

Post-adoption advice and guidance from our team includes follow-ups for rehomed animals through phone calls and emails. We also provide a dedicated helpline offering behavioural support and care advice to our adopters

These ongoing connections with adopters not only help animals settle in successfully but also provide valuable insights into how rescue animals adapt and flourish in their new homes. This feedback directly informs the work of our Senior Manager for Animal Care, a PhD candidate at the University of Sydney, whose research is helping us continuously refine and strengthen our adoption processes.

This compassionate, evidence-based approach is easing the anxieties of new pet parents and ensuring more animals thrive in loving, permanent homes. Each one is a story of resilience and the power of support when people and animals are helped to succeed together.

"Every touch point is an opportunity to really listen to adopters – to be a sounding board – and reassure them that the adjustment to a new home can take time. I often see myself as a mentor or counsellor, helping to share the animal's perspective and guide adopters through their journey together."

- Maila Corkill, Post Adoption and In Home Support Manager

2,323 follow-up phone calls, emails, or both supporting:

1,004 feline adoptions

1,328 canine adoptions

RSPCA NSW provides tailored post-adoption support to help pets and families thrive together.

Image: Pure happiness on four paws – a dog enjoying the outdoors

Breaking down barriers to care

Financial hardship remains one of the greatest barriers preventing people in NSW from accessing veterinary care for their animals. Our continued efforts to reduce this barrier saw the expansion of our Access to Vet Care (AVC) program in FY2025.

The program provided $1,078,000 in discounted services as well as no interest payment plans for clients experiencing financial hardship (a 71% increase from what we were able to provide last year). This support means that pet owners don't have to choose between financial stability and their animals' wellbeing.

During the year, the AVC program helped:

- 3,231 clients with 4,211 animals at RSPCA NSW veterinary hospitals, including 114 clients who were provided with payment plans for emergency or urgent treatments.
- 275 clients and their 306 animals in areas without an RSPCA facility received treatment from external veterinary clinics, by providing payment plans of more than $210,000.

The impact of the AVC program extends beyond medical care; it directly prevents surrenders, euthanasia and suffering. Of those surveyed, **76% of clients** reported reduced financial stress and **79% of veterinarians** said the initiative lessened the emotional burden of being unable to help cost-constrained clients.

In FY2025, we also launched our RSPCA NSW Animal Behaviour Clinic to improve access to behavioural support. By subsidising consultations and offering flexible service options, including in-clinic, telehealth and home visits, the clinic provided **154 consultations** led by behaviour-qualified veterinarians and supported by our behaviour and rehabilitation trainers.

5,530 veterinary consultations

3,597 clients assisted

700 animals desexed

3,110 vaccinations

719 surgeries and procedures

287 dentals

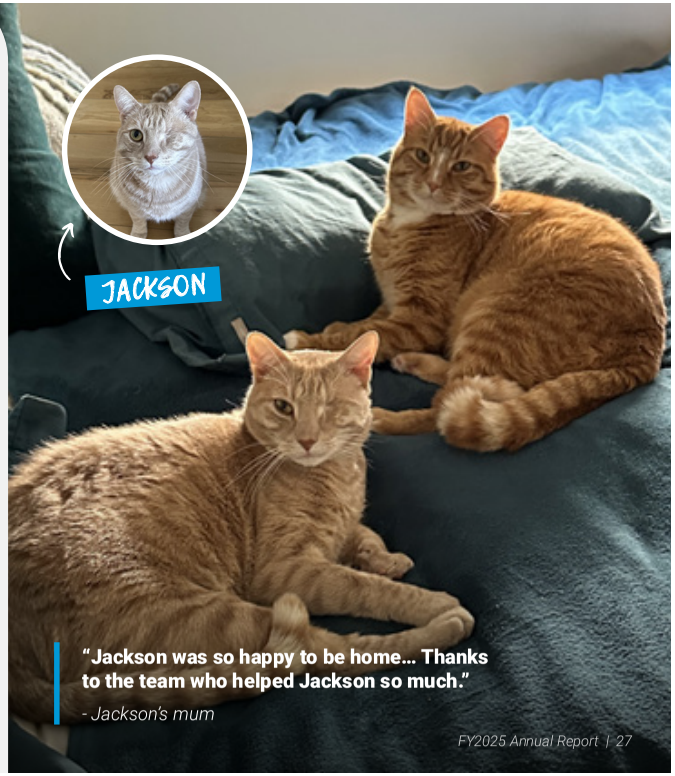
Jackson's story

When Jackson scratched his left eye, his owner did everything she could to help him, including taking him to her local veterinarian and following their care instructions. But despite the treatment, Jackson's eye became worse. Reaching her financial limit, Jackson's mum booked a consultation at our Hunter Veterinary Hospital, only to have her car break down on the way.

Desperate to get him help, Jackson's mum reached out to our AVC team who rescheduled the consultation and arranged for one of our volunteers to collect him.

At the hospital, our vets discovered that Jackson's vision was almost gone and that his eye needed to be removed to stop his pain. His mum, a pensioner, couldn't afford upfront costs for the surgery the next day, so we arranged for financial assistance for Jackson's surgery, his delivery home and follow up assistance.

Today, Jackson is thriving – one-eyed but full of life – thanks to the AVC program and the generosity that makes it possible.



One team, one mission

Volunteers support RSPCA NSW in a variety of roles across the state and are at the heart of everything we do. Their dedication makes it possible for us to care for animals in need every single day. We're committed to growing and engaging a strong volunteer community that is connected to our mission, guided by our values and empowered to make a difference.

During FY2025, **we welcomed 1,539 new volunteers and celebrated the many long-serving volunteers** who give their time so generously. From our Branches, Community Volunteer Groups and Supporter Groups to those assisting in shelters, offices or on our Board of Directors, our volunteers keep RSPCA NSW moving forward, 365 days a year.

We want every volunteer to feel supported, respected and connected so they can confidently improve the lives of animals and the people who care for them. This year we introduced new training modules, including Kennel Volunteer, Foster Care Dog Behaviour and Transport training. **RSPCA NSW's staff, volunteers and foster carers now all receive the same high level of training in basic dog behaviour.**

This training equips our people with the skills and knowledge to deliver the best possible care for animals, while enhancing their own volunteer experience. By investing in training and development, we're strengthening our teams, supporting the animals in our care and building a stronger, more sustainable future for our communities in NSW.

13 Branches and Supporter Groups

8 Community Volunteer Groups

10 volunteer members of our Board of Directors

$92,098 raised by Member and Community Volunteer Groups

2,094 active volunteers donated **237,358** hours

207 volunteers enrolled in Kennel Volunteer Training

Image: Volunteers - Ben, Miranda, Reg and Gloria from Hunter Supporter Group and Hunter Shelter with Josh, RSPCA NSW Branch Manager at Hamilton Healthy Pet Day

"... Being able to assist people and support or reunite them with their pets is such a rewarding experience. Companionship can go a long way for a vulnerable person. I'm so lucky that I'm in a position in life that I'm not facing those adversities but where I'm able to help the wonderful Programs Team."

- Atu, Transport Volunteer for our Crisis Support Programs team

Foster care: Helping animals to heal at home

In FY2025, **34% of all animals in our care were in foster homes**, representing a significant increase from 24% the previous year.

Our foster carers extend the reach of our shelters and adoption centres by providing temporary homes for animals who are too young to be in shelters, need the time and space to recover from treatments, or simply need to experience a safe family home as they await adoption. Foster care helps animals build confidence and allows us to better understand their behaviour in a familiar household setting, making it easier to place them successfully with their forever families.

To give our foster carers the support they need, during FY2025 we:

- developed species-specific foster care guides to help foster carers feel more confident
- created an online portal to easily access animal information including treatment protocols
- rolled out new Kitten Neonate, Dog Behaviour and Transport training for foster carers to increase their confidence and provide support
- provided additional canine behavioural support from animal behaviour-trained staff members. (This has been particularly important over the past year as the pool of Inspectorate animal foster carers has increased and they require additional support.)

> **"Having the ability to get our inspectorate animals out into foster care is so beneficial for them behaviourally. They are often long-term cases so placing them with a suitable foster carer, and out of the shelter, is our top priority. We've noticed significant behavioural improvement when they are in foster homes."**
>
> *- Kasey Bridge, Senior Manager - Intake, Capacity and Emergency Response*

1,032 foster carers

5,357 animals fostered

1,264 of 5,357 were Inspectorate animals

218 foster carers enrolled in Foster Care Dog Behaviour and Transport training

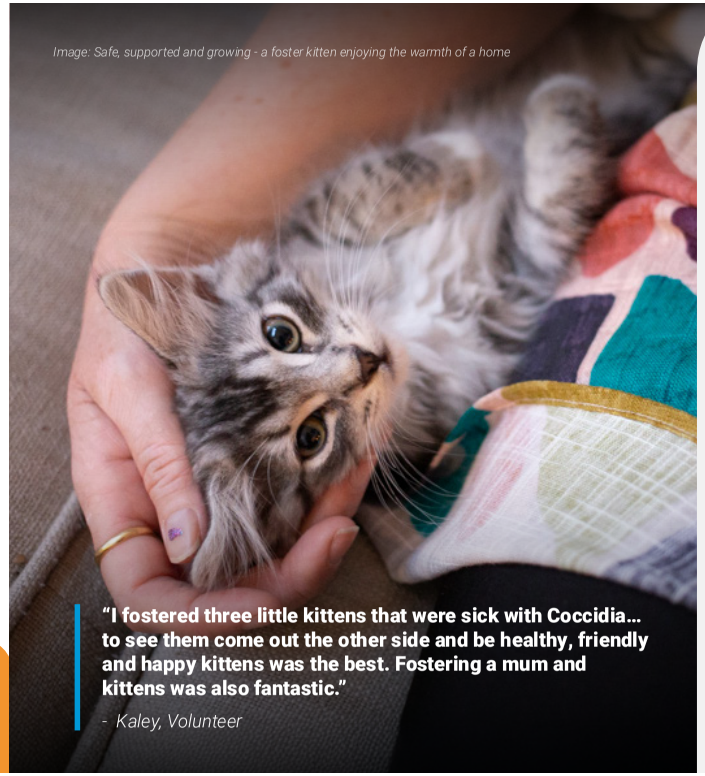


Image: Safe, supported and growing - a foster kitten enjoying the warmth of a home

> **"I fostered three little kittens that were sick with Coccidia... to see them come out the other side and be healthy, friendly and happy kittens was the best. Fostering a mum and kittens was also fantastic."**
>
> *- Kaley, Volunteer*

Celebrating our foster community

Our foster carers play a vital role in giving animals the best possible chance at a new life. To honour their dedication and inspire others to get involved, we introduced the **Foster Carer of the Month** program, highlighting the extraordinary dedication of those who open their homes and hearts to animals in need. We've also begun celebrating carers with meaningful rewards when they reach significant milestones for the number of animals fostered.

We also feature a **Foster Animal of the Month** on the foster carer groups' Facebook pages, showcasing one animal in care who is ready – or almost ready – for adoption. By sharing their stories, this initiative helps connect more foster animals with loving homes.

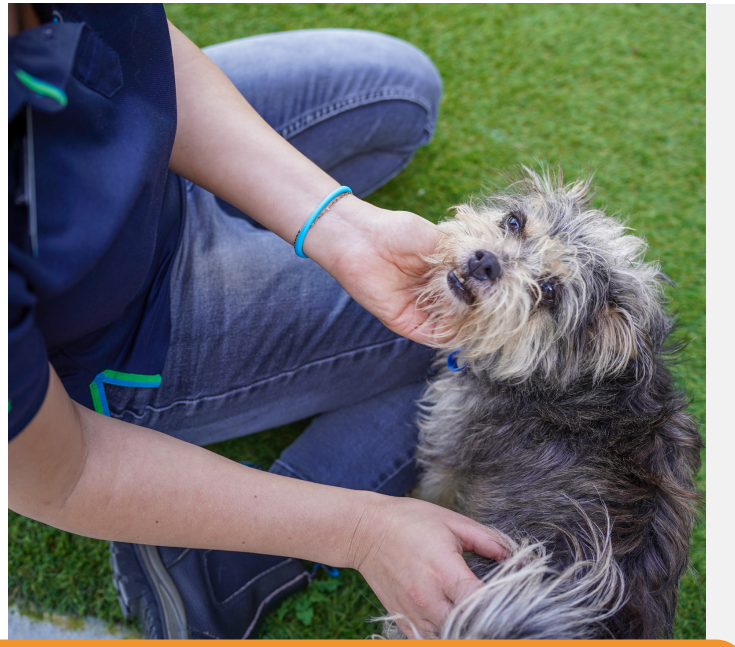
Keeping people and pets together in times of crisis

Through our Crisis Support Programs, we help people and their pets stay together safely during life's most challenging moments, preserving the invaluable bond at times when they are most vulnerable.

For older pet owners and those facing homelessness or experiencing domestic and family violence, caring for an animal companion can become incredibly difficult. We know that changes in living circumstances don't reflect someone's ability to love and care for an animal, but forced separation can compound hardship, trauma and grief. That's why RSPCA NSW is committed to helping wherever we can.

This year, we bolstered our Crisis Support Programs team to deliver more targeted care.

> **"I wanted to donate to Safe Families because it's an amazing project that is keeping people and their pets safe and together. Now these vulnerable families can accept the support they need knowing they can keep their pets and no longer leave them behind in an unsafe environment."**
>
> *- Julie, proud RSPCA NSW donor*



129 clients and **206** animals helped through our Domestic and Family Violence Program

109 clients and **199** animals supported by our Aged Care Program

15 clients and **22** animals assisted by our Homelessness Program

100 clients and **184** animals helped by our Mental Health Emergency Boarding Program

RSPCA NSW's Safe Families: A pet-inclusive framework

Our Safe Families initiative – the first pet-inclusive framework of its kind in Australia – helps remove barriers for families needing to escape domestic and family violence (DFV). By partnering with DFV refuges we support refuges to welcome animals, so families can begin rebuilding their lives together. RSPCA NSW works closely with the refuge to:

- assess facilities and prepare safe spaces for pets and their owners
- train staff in animal handling, behaviour and care before pets arrive
- develop practical care guides and procedures for staff and residents
- provide secure enclosures and essential equipment for housing pets
- tailor protocols to ensure the safety of residents, staff and animals
- offer ongoing veterinary and behavioural support.

During FY2025:

- we assisted four refuges to become pet-inclusive
- we provided 4,992 'nights of safety' for people and their pets experiencing DFV
- 26 supporters made special donations off our Annual Survey to pay for one Safe Family conversion.

> **"[The] owner of the pet was so happy when she knew that she could go and get her pet and bring it back to the refuge with her as the perpetrator was abusing the animal. It was such a relief for the client. Other residents at the refuge are happy to have the dog around."**
>
> *- Shoalhaven refuge case worker*

Strengthening our Standards of Care

We always strive to improve the welfare of animals in our shelters by constantly enhancing the opportunities they have to cope in the busy environment and increase their chances of finding a loving home.

This year we redefined and strengthened our pathway guidelines to ensure that we can provide individualised care based on both the physical and emotional needs of animals.

Following the introduction of our industry-leading Feline Standards of Care, we implemented our Canine Standards of Care. Both are grounded in the **'Five Domains Model of Animal Welfare'** to ensure our work continues to be guided by evidence-based best practice. These standards inform and support every staff member and volunteer in how they interact with and care for the animals in our shelters.

One initiative that has significantly improved the overall welfare of the dogs in our care was **the introduction of 'Quiet Time' between 12:30 and 1:30pm every day**. During this dedicated rest period, dogs can relax without interruption from staff, volunteers or visitors. This quiet, restorative time promotes better wellbeing and leads to calmer, more positive interactions when activities resume.

Kennel sponsorship

Paws and Pen partners help cover costs associated with caring for an animal while in shelter. Generous companies like Alsco demonstrate their support for RSPCA NSW's life-changing work by sponsoring a Dog Hut and a Cat Lounge.

46 Petbarn partner locations

44 rescue groups worked with

294,664 kms travelled to transfer/pick up animals

4,333 animals transported by Animal Transport Officers

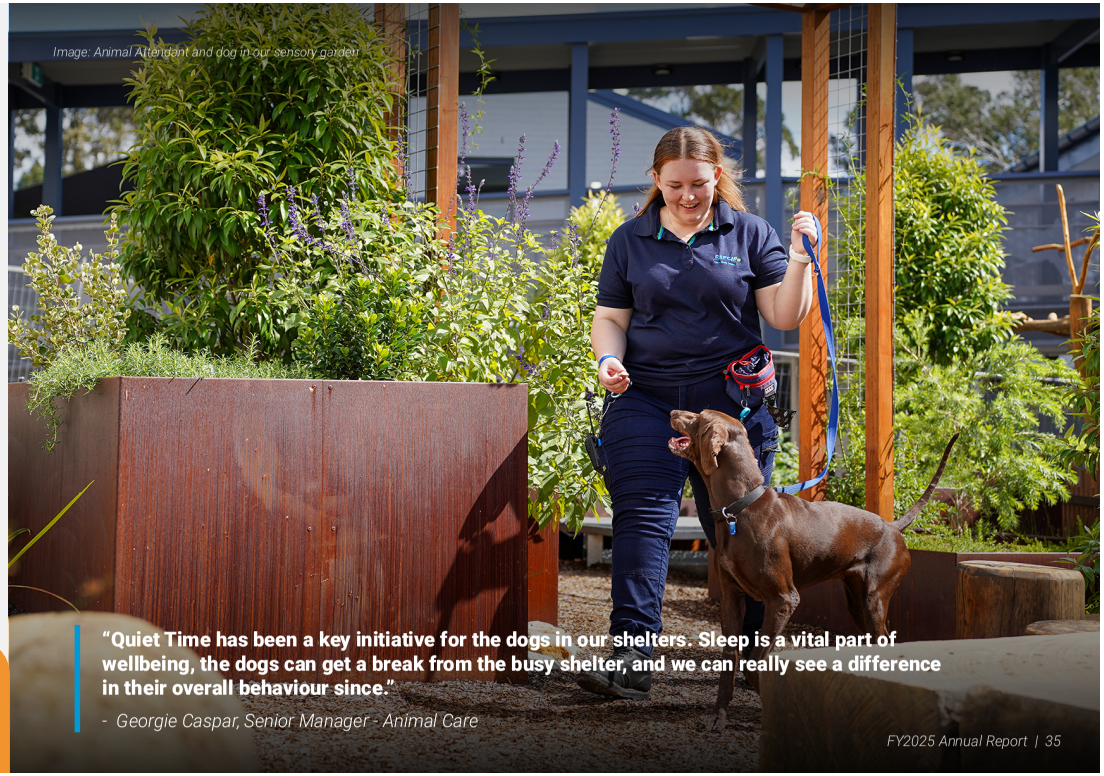


Image: Animal Attendant and dog in our sensory garden

"Quiet Time has been a key initiative for the dogs in our shelters. Sleep is a vital part of wellbeing, the dogs can get a break from the busy shelter, and we can really see a difference in their overall behaviour since."

- Georgie Caspar, Senior Manager - Animal Care

Supporting animals and people after disaster strikes

Like all family members, animals need to be cared for and protected during emergencies and having a plan in place greatly increases the chances of evacuating safely, together.

RSPCA NSW is committed to helping communities prepare their animals for bushfires, cyclones and flooding and we're there afterwards to help people and animals recover.

In March 2025, following **ex-Tropical Cyclone Alfred**, our **Emergency Response Team** led relief efforts across the Northern Rivers region, providing essential support to affected animals and their owners, including:

- Community Relief Points: We set up pop-up relief events in impacted regions where 160+ pet owners received essential supplies for approximately 255 animals.
- Essential supplies: At these points, we distributed animal care supplies to affected pet owners, including food, bedding and carriers.
- On-site veterinary care: Volunteer veterinarians and nurses provided animal health checks and advice for pet owners.

Soon after Cyclone Alfred, communities in the Mid Coast and Hunter regions were devastated by severe flooding. Again, our teams jumped into action to provide supplies and veterinary support.

> **"Moments like these reaffirm why we do what we do. We are incredibly grateful to these communities for welcoming us in, allowing us to do our part to support them and their beloved animals. We wouldn't be able to help without the ongoing support provided by the Petbarn Foundation, Bravecto, the Animal Rescue Collective, and our compassionate donors."**
>
> *- Anne Keyvar, Emergency Response Manager*

1,503 animals helped

478 people helped

7 Community Relief Points

4 supply drops

Image: Community Relief Point at Lismore during ex-Tropical Cyclone Alfred recovery

> **"I grew up in the Manning Valley. The local flooding was devastating. RSPCA NSW's emergency response programs allowed me to help people directly impacted by floodwaters by paying for their pets' vet treatment."**
>
> *- Rachel, generous donor to relief efforts*

A second chance after the storm

In May, Taree experienced a weather system that caused a one-in-500-year flood which compounded the impacts of Cyclone Alfred.

A community relief pop-up event was organised in Taree by the Emergency Response Team. At the event, a young couple surrendered two pups to us that they could no longer look after. The pups had come to them during the floods, and they had their own dogs to care for. After the event, an RSPCA NSW vet and an Emergency Response Team volunteer, Ben, transported the puppies to our Sydney veterinary hospital for assessment. The pups were hungry but otherwise in good health.

After spending a few weeks in care, we were thrilled to see Ben returned to adopt one of the sweet puppies. He now has a living reminder of the work he did to help the Taree community.

Where enforcement meets compassion

In FY25, RSPCA NSW Inspectors responded to more cruelty complaints and finalised more prosecutions than ever before. Reports of cruelty increased by 3% compared to the previous year, while prosecutions rose 34%, demonstrating a growing demand for intervention in more serious matters.

We have seen increases in:

- serious cases involving the intentional harming of animals
- poor mental health and financial constraints adversely affecting the welfare of people and their pets
- Stock Welfare Panel Inspections concentrated in the southern parts of NSW where dry conditions have resulted in welfare concerns around livestock. (We expect this to continue in FY2026.)

Our Inspectorate's work is guided by a commitment to using all the available educational, referral and statutory powers at their disposal, including:

- working collaboratively with other agencies
- prioritising education for animal owners, carers and the broader community
- making internal referrals to RSPCA NSW Community Outreach, Crisis Support, Surrender Intervention and Access to Vet Care programs
- using the full range of NSW Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979 (POCTAA) powers where necessary, including giving cautions, penalty infringement notices, written directions, seizing animals and, where appropriate commencing proceedings in the NSW Local Court.

"RSPCA NSW Inspectors recognise the vital role animals play in people's lives. They witness the importance of the human-animal bond every day. Unfortunately, they also see the risks to animals when their owners or care-givers are struggling with poor mental, physical or cognitive health, financial constraints, and other common stressors, which can impact their capacity to care for those animals. Our Inspectors are privileged to be empowered to engage with owners to improve animals' lives in NSW."

- Scott Meyers, RSPCA NSW Chief Inspector

Prosecution outcome

A 58-year-old man was convicted and sentenced at Armidale Local Court after pleading guilty to four offences contrary to the POCTAA (NSW). The Court imposed a sentence of eight months imprisonment, with a non-parole period of four months for:

- failing to provide veterinary treatment for emaciation, dehydration and intestinal worms, resulting in the death of a male Maremma sheepdog
- failing to provide veterinary treatment to a female Maremma sheepdog for emaciation and intestinal worms
- committing an act of cruelty on both dogs by tethering them to a log in a manner that left them exposed to the extremes of weather, unable to access sources of food or water and unable to adequately move or exercise, conduct that caused the dogs significant suffering and distress.

The man was also convicted with no further penalty for failing to comply with two written notices issued by RSPCA NSW, which had required him to take certain actions regarding several horses and a donkey in his care.

The offender was subsequently ordered to forfeit all animals in his care, disqualified from owning or having anything to do with the keeping or care of animals for ten years and ordered to pay costs of $2,563.06 to RSPCA NSW.

"FY2025 marks an unprecedented milestone for RSPCA NSW Legal, with the most prosecutions commenced and finalised in our history. Each prosecution reflects our unwavering commitment to act in the public interest by protecting animals, upholding the law and strengthening community trust in animal welfare enforcement."

- Kathryn Jurd, General Counsel

Inspectorate activity

17,946 Cruelty complaints received

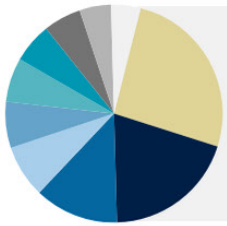
90,882
Total calls taken

- **35,768** Information and advice
- **29,844** Cruelty concerns
- **14,649** Stray/lost and found
- **7,830** Adoption enquiries
- **2,791** Crisis support services

16,713 Cruelty complaints investigated

40 RSPCA NSW Inspectors

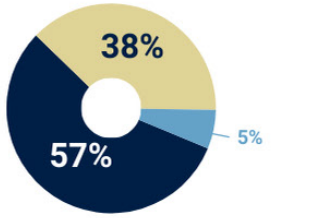
992 Intelligence reports	**170** Referred to other agencies	**71** Referred to NSW Police
4,216 Matters revisted	**1,320** Written directions	**127** PINs issued
54 Proactive or routine inspections	**11** Stock welfare panels (~4,000 animals)	**11** Official cautions



Top 10 cruelty complaints

- **8,340** No food/water
- **6,382** Concern for welfare
- **4,018** Inadequate vet treatment
- **2,520** Shelter inadequate
- **2,265** Unattended 24hrs
- **2,098** Ill treatment
- **1,964** Breeder
- **1,858** Locked in small pen
- **1,554** Tied continually
- **1,427** Abandoned

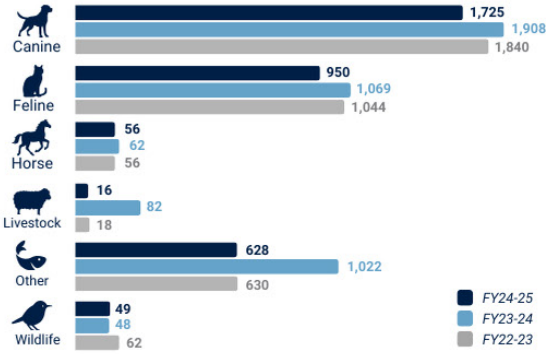
3,650
Animals brought into care



- Inspector seized
- Inspector surrendered
- Other*

*Euthanasia requests and animals deceased on arrival.

Incoming animals by type



156
Prosecutions commenced

- **69** New prosecutions this year
- **53** Prosecutions from previous years

- **991** Offences
- **96** Disqualification orders imposed
- **122** Prosecutions finalised

Caring for 13,996 animals in the community

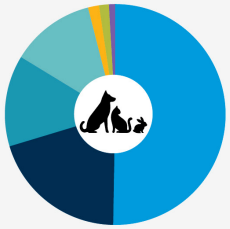
Community care in action

- **5,530** accessing veterinary care
- **1,503** disaster relief
- **206** domestic violence and family support
- **2,937** cat desexing programs
- **184** mental health emergency boarding
- **199** aged care assistance
- **75** surrender intervention
- **3,340** Community Outreach
- **22** homelessness support

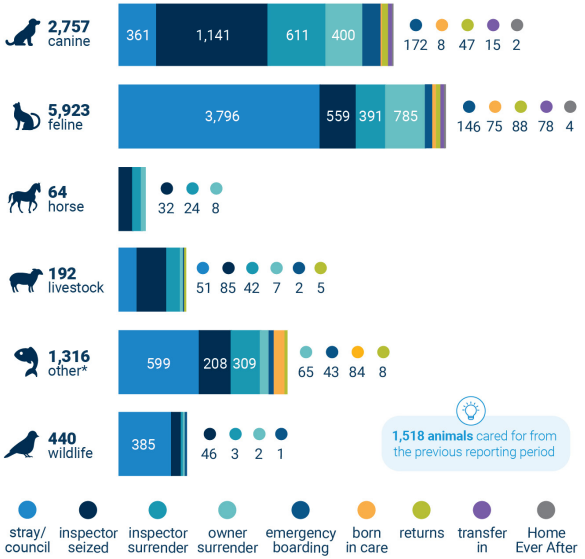
RSPCA NSW is proud to deliver in-community assistance, helping to keep animals in safe and caring homes with the people who love them.

and 12,210 animals in our shelters

Intake pathways



- **5,192** (48.6%) stray/council
- **2,071** (19.4%) Inspector seized
- **1,380** (12.9%) Inspector surrender
- **1,266** (11.8%) owner surrender
- **365** (3.4%) emergency boarding
- **167** (1.6%) born in care
- **149** (1.4%) returns
- **96** (0.9%) transfer in
- **6** (0.1%) Home Ever After (bequests in shelter)



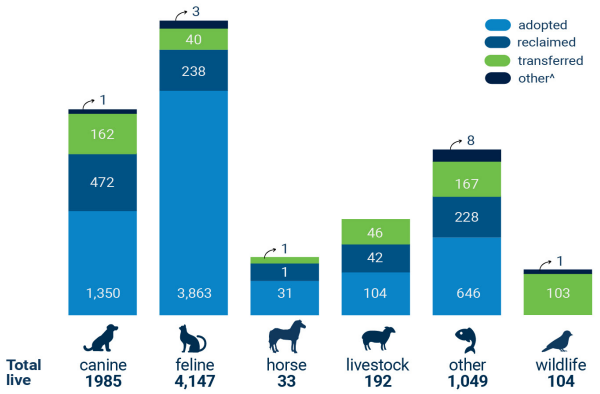
*Includes rodents, guinea pigs, ferrets, rabbits, fish, birds and non-native

Animal outcomes

7,507
total live outcomes

5,994	981	117	402	13
(79.8%)	(13.1%)	(1.6%)	(5.4%)	(0.2%)
adopted	reclaimed	transferred to council	transferred to rescue groups	other^

^Stolen, escaped and wildlife released-to-habitat.

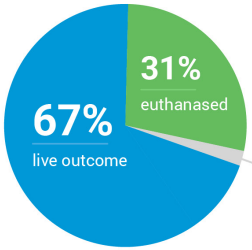


Happy tail

After 382 days in care, Magenta finally found her forever home!

Welfare outcomes

RSPCA NSW provides refuge for animals from diverse circumstances, from family pets and injured strays to those rescued from cruelty or neglect. Wherever possible, we focus on rehabilitation and rehoming, including animals with complex medical or behavioural needs. In cases where recovery isn't possible, we make compassionate and considered decisions to prevent ongoing suffering.

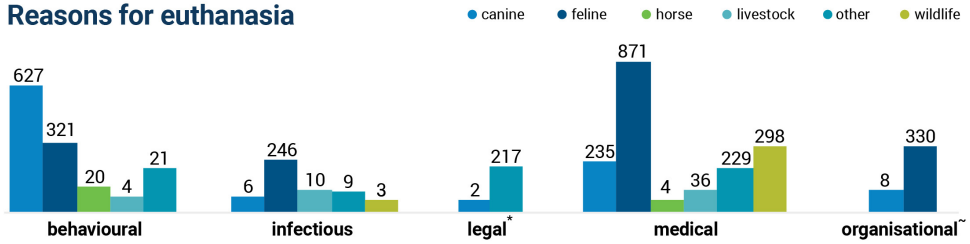


At the time of reporting **1,228 animals** were still in care awaiting outcomes

Non-live outcomes by animal type

893	1,870	26	52	522	312
canine	feline	horse	livestock	other	wildlife

Reasons for euthanasia



*Deemed dangerous or menacing by local council ~Unweaned or too young to survive without their mother

Navigating challenges while sustaining impact

In FY2024, RSPCA NSW was granted $20.5 million from the NSW Government requiring us to scale up our Inspectorate, Contact Centre and legal capabilities which significantly increased our annual cost base. This was in response to recommendations from the NSW Legislative Council's 2023 Inquiry into the operation of the approved charitable organisations under the POCTAA (NSW).

In FY2025, that same grant was reduced by almost half to $11.4 million while our operating costs continued to rise due to the expanded enforcement team. To maintain the size of our enforcement efforts the RSPCA NSW Board endorsed the **divestment of $11 million in assets** to address this unanticipated funding shortfall.

Reducing costs further

Last year at RSPCA NSW, every $1 spent on fundraising raised more than $6. While this is an incredible return on investment, during the year we were compelled to reduce spending further, including on income generating activities.

Along with raising much needed funds, these income generating activities are professional and engaging ways to seek support, providing essential non-financial benefits which support our mission, including:

- Raising public awareness
- Building relationships and strengthen others
- Attracting new donors

Income	FY25 **$82.6M**	FY24 $88.3M
Legacies and bequests	**$31.5M**	$30.9M
Fundraising and donations	**$14.3M**	$15.7M
Animals, goods and services	**$9.3M**	$10.4M
Government regulatory grant	**$11.4M**	$20.5M
Grants - capital and other	**$6.5M**	$7.2M
Investments	**$9.5M**	$3.6M

Expenses	FY25 **$80.2M**	FY24 $81.3M
Animal welfare	**$63.1M**	$60.8M
Business support	**$10.7M**	$10.4M
Fundraising	**$6.5M**	$10.1M

RSPCA New South Wales

Meow, Woof, Neigh, Baa, Oink, Chirp, Squeak, Moo,
Cluck, Bleat, Cock-a-Doodle, Quack, Pop.

Thank you!

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RSPCA NSW is committed to protecting animals and the planet. We pledge to achieve Net Zero emissions by 2045 - with an interim target of 50% reduction by 2030 - while continuing to reduce our environmental footprint across shelters and hospitals. Our initiatives include soft plastics recycling, TerraCycle pet food packaging recovery, medication blister pack collection, composting trials and uniform recycling programs designed to create a safer, healthier world for the animals in our care and the communities we serve.

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales

ABN 87 000 001 641

General Purpose - Financial Statements

30 June 2023

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales

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The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales

Director's Report

For the financial year ended 30 June 2023

The Directors present their report together with the financial report of The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales (the Society) for the financial year ended 30 June 2023 and the auditor's report thereon. In order to comply with the provisions of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012, the Directors report as follows:

1 Directors

The Directors of the Society at any time during or since the end of the financial year are:

	Appointed	Resigned
Dr Peter Wright, President	22 January 2002	
Dr Ian Roth, Vice President	25 March 2017	
Mr Mark Steele SC, Vice President, Co-opted Director for 4 years	16 July 2021	
Mr Stewart Thompson, Treasurer	8 June 2022	
Mr Graham Hall, Director	19 April 1984	
Ms Sarah Cruickshank, Director	3 August 2010	
Mr Donald Richmond Robinson, Director	30 October 2014	
Mr Peter O'Callaghan, Co-opted Director for 4 years	27 February 2023	
Ms Mia Steele, Co-opted Director for 4 years	27 July 2020	
Ms Margaret Gaal, Director	30 November 2020	
Mr Stephen Rushton SC	25 June 2019	16 May 2023

Name and responsibilities	Qualifications, experience and other directorships
Dr P Wright *President*	Dr P Wright is a veterinarian who runs his own practice at Goulburn, NSW, and treats domestic pets, livestock, wildlife and other exotic species. He has a long involvement with animal care groups, including WIRES, and in assisting the region's local RSPCA inspector.
Dr I Roth *Vice President*	Dr I Roth worked as a veterinarian with the NSW Department of Primary Industries (NSW DPI) for 40 years in biosecurity and animal welfare. He managed the NSW DPI's Animal Welfare Unit and worked closely with RSPCA NSW. Until his retirement in December 2015, he was the Chief Veterinary Officer for NSW. His career successes were recognised with a Public Service Medal for outstanding public service to veterinary science, particularly pertaining to animal welfare and biosecurity in NSW.

Director's Report (continued)

For the financial year ended 30 June 2023

1 Directors (continued)

Name and responsibilities	Qualifications, experience and other directorship
Mr M Steele SC *Vice President*	Mr M Steele is a barrister practising corporate and employment law at the Commercial Bar in Sydney. He was appointed Senior Counsel in 2013. Mr Steele has a commerce degree and first-class honours law degree from the University of Melbourne and a master's degree in law from Oxford University and is currently studying for a PhD in law at Sydney University. Prior to coming to the Bar in 1995, Mr Steele worked for ten years as an investment banker in London, New York and Sydney. He has been a lifelong supporter of the RSPCA as a donor and as the proud parent of a much-loved terrier cross adopted from Yagoona. In recent years, Mr Steele has assisted RSPCA NSW pro bono on a number of important governance and regulatory matters. He is also a Director of RSPCA Australia.
Mr S Thompson *Treasurer*	Mr S Thompson is a Partner at Hall Chadwick. He has over 30 years of chartered accounting experience and has been a partner in public practice since 2001. He has spent his career within both Big 4 and mid-tier firms providing audit and advisory services. His focus is on the middle market, providing audit and assurance services to a range of clients encompassing both corporate and not-for-profit entities. As Treasurer, he is particularly focused on the financial viability of the organisation.
Mr G Hall *Director*	Mr Hall is a Life Member of RSPCA NSW and has been an RSPCA Board Member since 1983. He is the primary producer and owner of a family property near Young. He breeds Shorthorn cattle.
Ms S Cruickshank *Director*	Ms S Cruickshank is currently the Deputy Secretary, Customer, Delivery and Transformation for the NSW Department of Customer Service. She has held senior executive roles in the NSW and Commonwealth Governments and has amassed three decades of experience in policy development, public affairs and strategic communications. Prior to joining the Australian Public Service in 2012, she spent 10 years as part of a global public relations agency, the last five years of which she was Managing Director of one of its Australian-based companies. Throughout her life, she has been the proud owner of multiple shelter cats and dogs and is passionate about protecting the interests of vulnerable animals in our society.
Mr D Robinson *Director*	Mr D Robinson joined the Board in November 2014. Born in Young in NSW, he had a varied career before joining the NSW Police in 1971. He served in small rural communities across the state for 23 years but resigned to take up the position of Chief Inspector for RSPCA NSW. He served for eight years, before becoming RSPCA NSW Manager of Branches and Properties. He is keenly interested in all facets of the RSPCA, but particularly in the branches and their operations. As an RSPCA Australia Farm Assessor, he carried out inspections of piggeries accredited under the Approved Farming Scheme. In 2012, Mr Robinson retired to a 60-acre farm in Grenfell in the Mid-West NSW, where he now runs a few cattle and an alpaca.

Director's Report (continued)

For the financial year ended 30 June 2023

1 Directors (continued)

Name and responsibilities	Qualifications, experience and other directorship
Mr P O'Callaghan *Co-opted Director*	Mr P O'Callaghan has over 35 years' experience in risk management for not-for-profit organisations, government enterprises and health services, among many others. He is a member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors (AICD) and was awarded the inaugural Certified Practising Accountant (CPA) award for outstanding individual contribution to Victoria. As well as serving on the RSPCA NSW Board of Directors, Mr O'Callaghan is currently Chairman of Life Choice Ltd Queensland , Board Director Uniting Age Well (Vic Tas), and Chairman AKC Ltd
Ms M Steele *Co-opted Director*	Ms M Steele is a life member of RSPCA NSW and has supported the RSPCA since childhood. She has an MA from Oxford University and has volunteered with many community organisations in NSW for over 25 years, including in aged care and with Vinnies, Primary Ethics and RSPCA NSW's Education team. In 2018 she was nominated as a NSW Volunteer of the Year for her work as a Primary Ethics teacher. She is passionate about preventing animal cruelty and has fostered and adopted rescue dogs from our shelters.
Ms M Gaal *Director*	Margaret Gaal joined RSPCA NSW in 1981 and was previously the President of our RSPCA Bathurst Branch, a position which she held for more than 30 years. Margaret brings with her a wealth of knowledge of the organisation and is the founder of the NSW RSPCA CAWS Program which commenced in 2003 and also completed the RSPCA CAWS Program in Tahiti. Outside of RSPCA NSW Margaret has sat on various NSW Government and Taskforces Committees and is the President of the Australian Institute Local Government Rangers Association and a life member of the Australian Institute NSW Rangers Association.
Mr S Rushton SC	Between 1986 and 2020 Mr Rushton practiced as a barrister. He was appointed Senior Counsel in 2000. In 2017 he was appointed a Commissioner of the Independent Commission against Corruption. He has a passion for animal welfare and the environment. In 2015 Mr Rushton was appointed Counsel Assisting the Special Commission of Inquiry into the Greyhound Racing Industry. Between 1995 and 2020 he also held the statutory appointment of Environmental Counsel to the Environment Protection Authority. As well as being a Life Member of RSPCA NSW, Mr Rushton works as a volunteer at the Sydney shelter. Mr Rushton resigned as a director with effect from 16 May 2023 and was thanked by the Board for his service.

Director's Report (continued)

For the financial year ended 30 June 2023

1 Directors (continued)

Name and responsibilities	Qualifications, experience and other directorship
Mr S Coleman *Company Secretary, CEO*	Since joining RSPCA NSW in 1991, Steve has held many positions; Inspector, Deputy Chief Inspector, Chief Inspector, Deputy CEO and now CEO. This has significantly assisted in developing his leadership style and approach, with the primary purpose of RSPCA NSW at the core of his development. Steve's tertiary qualifications include a Graduate Diploma in Investigations Management and a Masters in Business Administration. Steve has extensive experience in stakeholder management including local, state and federal government, industry and media experience. With many years managing staff (approximately 500), volunteers (approximately 1500) and with a grassroots experience base, Steve is able to guide RSPCA NSW's strategic development and execution.

2 Director's meetings

The number of Director's meetings and number of meetings attended by each of the Directors of the Society during the financial year are:

Director	Board meetings	
	Attended	Entitled
Dr Peter Wright, President	5	6
Dr Ian Roth, Vice President	6	6
Mr Mark Steele SC, Vice President, Co-opted Director	6	6
Mr Stewart Thompson, Treasurer	5	6
Mr Graham Hall, Director	6	6
Ms Sarah Cruickshank, Director	4	6
Mr Donald Robinson, Director	3	6
Mr Peter O'Callaghan, Co-opted Director	5	6
Ms Mia Steele, Co-opted Director	6	6
Ms Margaret Gaal, Director	5	6
Mr Stephen Rushton SC	5	5
Mr Steve Coleman (Company Secretary, CEO)	6	6

3 Principal activities, objectives and strategies

The principal activity of the Society in the course of the financial year was the prevention of cruelty to animals through the activities of the inspectorate and the operation of shelters, clinics, the fostering and adoption of animals and the support of people in need in the care of their animals and the provision of veterinary services.

There were no significant changes in the nature of the activities of the Society during the financial year.

Director's Report (continued)

For the financial year ended 30 June 2023

3 Principal activities, objectives and strategies (continued)

Short-term objectives and strategies

- Improve animal welfare outcomes for animals in the Society's care;
- Exceed the expectations of supporters in the care and protection of animals;
- Assist with animal care and protection during natural disasters;
- Provide a safe and happy work environment for staff and volunteers;
- Increase income to support the Society's activities; and
- Maintain vigilance in the control of costs.

Long-term objectives and strategies

- Grow our volunteer network;
- Continue focus on cruelty prevention;
- Educate the community on the importance of animal welfare;
- Continuous investment in fundraising;
- Invest in rehoming and reduction in length of stay strategies; and
- Partner with government, local councils and industry for the betterment of animals.

Measures of performance

The financial and operational performance of the Society is monitored by reference to appropriate measures on a monthly basis.

4 Membership liability

The Society is a public company limited by guarantee. There is no liability of any member under the guarantee should the Society be wound up.

5 Subsequent events

There have not been any matters or circumstances that have occurred subsequent to the end of the financial year that have significantly affected, or may significantly affect, the operations of the Society, the results of its operations, or the state of affairs of the Society in future financial years.

Director's Report (continued)

For the financial year ended 30 June 2023

6 Indemnication and insurance of officers and auditors

Indemnification

Since the end of the previous financial year, the Society has not indemnified or made a relevant agreement for indemnifying against a liability any person who is or has been an officer or auditor of the Society.

Insurance premiums

During the financial year the Society has paid premiums in respect of directors' and officers' liability and legal expenses insurance contracts for the year ended 30 June 2023 and since the financial year, the Society has paid premiums in respect of such insurance contracts for the year ending 30 June 2023. Such insurance contracts insure against certain liability (subject to specific exclusions) persons who are or have been directors or executive officers of the Society.

The directors have not included details of the nature of the liabilitiess covered or the amount of the premiums paid in respect of the directors' and officers' liability and legal expenses insurance contracts, as such disclosure is prohibted under the terms of the contract.

7 Lead auditor's independence declaration

The Lead auditor's independence declaration is set out on page 8 and forms part of the Director's report for the financial year ended 30 June 2023.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of the Directors:

Dr Peter Wright
President

Mr Stewart Thompson
Treasurer

Dated at Sydney this 25th day of September 2023

Auditor's Independence Declaration under subdivision 60-C section 60-40 of Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012

To: The Directors of The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales and its controlled entities

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, in relation to the audit for the financial year ended 30 June 2023 there have been:

i. no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 in relation to the audit; and

ii. no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

KPMG

Cameron Roan

Partner

Sydney

27 September 2023

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The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales

Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income

For the financial year ended 30 June 2023

In AUD '000	***Note***	**2023**	**2022**
Revenue	*4(a)*	29,546	33,124
Operating expenses	*6*	(65,886)	(59,391)
(Deficit) before legacies and grants		**(36,340)**	**(26,267)**
Legacies		26,467	34,589
Grants	*4(b)*	7,065	2,998
(Deficit)/surplus before finance income		**(2,808)**	**11,320**
Finance income		2,719	1,655
Finance expenses		(175)	(184)
Net financing income	*5*	**2,544**	**1,471**
(Deficit)/surplus before income tax expense		**(264)**	**12,791**
Income tax expense		(25)	-
(Deficit)/surplus for the financial year		**(289)**	**12,791**
Other comprehensive income			
Net gain/(loss) on equity investments at FVOCI		1,888	(4,540)
Total comprehensive income for the financial year		**1,599**	**8,252**

The accompanying notes on pages 14-30 are an integral part of these financial statements.

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

For the financial year ended 30 June 2023

In AUD '000	***Note***	**2023**	**2022**
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	*7*	15,628	16,693
Trade and other receivables	*8*	2,429	1,109
Inventories	*9*	800	796
Other assets	*10*	287	402
Financial assets	*11*	15,533	7,160
Total current assets		**34,677**	**26,160**
Financial assets	*11*	48,410	44,770
Property, plant and equipment	*12(a)*	75,693	68,607
Intangible assets	*12(b)*	1,827	1,408
Investment properties	*13*	17,228	13,660
Right-of-use assets	*17*	34	62
Total non-current assets		**143,192**	**128,507**
Total assets		**177,869**	**154,668**
Liabilities			
Trade and other payables	*14*	7,796	6,025
Provisions	*16*	5,295	4,922
Deferred income	*15*	28,186	8,768
Lease liability	*17*	119	88
Total current liabilities		**41,396**	**19,803**
Provisions	*16*	404	394
Total non-current liabilities		404	394
Total liabilities		**41,800**	**20,197**
Net assets		**136,069**	**134,470**
Accumulated funds and reserves			
Accumulated funds		130,657	130,946
Reserves	*18*	5,412	3,524
Total accumulated funds and reserves		**136,069**	**134,470**

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The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales

Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

For the financial year ended 30 June 2023

In AUD '000	Revaluation reserve	Accumulated funds	Total
Balance at 1 July 2021	8,064	118,155	126,219
Surplus for the year	-	12,791	12,791
Net loss on equity investments at FVOCI	(4,540)	-	(4,540)
Total comprehensive income for the financial year	(4,540)	12,791	8,252
Balance as at 30th June 2022	**3,524**	**130,946**	**134,470**
Balance at 1 July 2022	3,524	130,946	134,470
Deficit for the year	-	(289)	(289)
Net gain on equity investments at FVOCI	1,888	-	1,888
Total comprehensive income for the financial year	1,888	(289)	1,599
Balance at 30th June 2023	**5,412**	**130,657**	**136,069**

The accompanying notes on pages 14-30 are an integral part of these financial statements.

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

For the financial year ended 30 June 2023

In AUD '000	**2023**	**2022**
Cash flows from operating activities		
Cash receipts from members and customers	17,994	18,017
Cash payments to suppliers and employees	(58,096)	(57,393)
Donations received	8,705	8,955
Legacies received[1]	16,223	27,751
Grants	26,482	1,266
Jobkeeper/Jobsaver receipts	-	1,250
Net cash from/(used in) operating activities	**11,308**	**(153)**
Cash flows from investing activities		
Interest receipts	191	34
Dividends	1,987	2,037
Reinvestment of interest and dividends receipts	(1,690)	(2,071)
Rent received	445	440
Proceeds from sale of investment property	5,646	2,590
Proceeds from sale of property plant and equipment	3,951	5,558
Payment for property plant and equipment and intangible assets	(15,367)	(12,651)
Liquid investments (acquired)/realised	(7,537)	9,190
Net cash (used in)/from investing activities	**(12,373)**	**5,127**
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents	(1,065)	4,973
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	16,693	11,720
Cash and cash equivalents at the of the financial year	**15,628**	**16,693**

1. The Group receives Legacy income in both cash and non-cash forms. Non-cash bequests may include properties, financial investments, companies and other assets. There may also be a difference in the timing of the receipt of cash compared to the recognition of the bequeathed income.

The accompanying notes on pages 14-30 are an integral part of these financial statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the financial year ended 30 June 2023

1 Reporting entity

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales (the "Society") is a public company limited by guarantee. The Society is domiciled in Australia. The address of the Society's registered office is 201 Rookwood Road, Yagoona NSW 2199. The Society is registered under the Australian Charities and Not- for-profits Commission Act 2012.

These consolidated financial statements include the underlying assets and liabilities in a subsidiary company Hansons Properties Pty Ltd acquired during the 2021 financial year as disclosed in note 24. The financial statements are as at and for the financial year ended 30 June 2023.

2 Basis of preparation

(a) Statement of preparation

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standard 1060 - Simplified Disclosures adopted by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) and the requirements of the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012.

The financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 25th September 2023.

(b) Basis of measurement

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for equity securities at fair value through other comprehensive income (OCI) which are measured at fair value determined by reference to their quoted closing exit bid price at the reporting date.

(c) Functional and presentation currency

These consolidated financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is the Society's functional currency. Figures are presented in round thousand dollars unless otherwise stated.

(d) Use of estimates and judgements

The preparation of consolidated financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised and in any future periods affected.

Details of the specific judgement, estimates and assumptions that have the most significant effects on the amounts recognised in the consolidated financial statements are summarised in Note 3(q).

(e) New and amended standards adopted by the Society

A number of other new standards are also effective from 01 July 2022 but they do not have material effect on the Society's financial statements.

3 Significant accounting policies

Unless otherwise stated, the accounting policies set out below have been applied consistently to all periods presented in these consolidated financial statements.

3 Significant accounting policies (continued)

(a) Branch accounts

The consolidated financial statements comprise the accounts of the Society and all its Branches. The consolidated financial statements are inclusive of Branch balances at balance date and transactions during the year, after elimination of balances and transactions between Branches and Head Office. A listing of branches is disclosed in note 21(b).

(b) Financial instruments

(i) Recognition and derecognition

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Society becomes a party to the contractual provisions of a financial instrument.

Financial assets are derecognised when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire, or when the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards are transferred.

A financial liability is derecognised when it is extinguished, discharged, cancelled or expires.

(ii) Classification and measurement of financial assets

Financial assets are classified according to their business model and the characteristics of their contractual cash flows. Except for those receivables that do not contain a significant financing component and are measured at the transaction price, all financial assets are initially measured at fair value adjusted for transactions costs (where applicable).

(iii) Subsequent measurement of financial assets

Financial assets are not reclassified subsequent to their initial recognition unless the Society changes its business model for managing financial assets, in which case all affected financial assets are reclassified on the first day of the first reporting period following the change in the business model.

For the purpose of subsequent measurement, financial assets, other than those designated and effective as hedging instruments, are classified into the following four categories:

- Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL)
- Financial assets at amortised cost (see below) ;
- Debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVTOCI); and
- Equity instruments at FVTOCI (see below)

The accounting policy is set out below:

(a) Financial assets at amortised cost

Financial assets with contractual cash flows representing solely payments of principal and interest and held within a business model of 'hold to collect' contractual cash flows are accounted for at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Financial assets at amortised costs comprise of cash and cash equivalents, term deposits and trade and other receivables.

(b) Equity investments at FVOCI

These assets are subsequently measured at fair value. Dividends are recognised as income in profit or loss unless the dividend clearly represents a recovery of part of the cost of the investment. Other net gains and losses are recognised in OCI and are never reclassified to profit or loss.

3 Significant accounting policies (continued)

(b) Financial instruments (continued)

(iii) Subsequent measurement of financial assets (continued)

(b) Equity investments at FVOCI (continued)

Equity investments at FVOCI are investments in listed and unlisted shares and investments in trusts.

All income and expenses relating to financial assets that are recognised in profit or loss are presented within finance income and finance expenses, except for impairment of trade receivables which is presented within operating expenses.

(c) Property, plant and equipment

(i) Recognition and measurement

Items of property, plant and equipment are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset.

If significant parts of an item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, they are accounted for as separate items (major components) of property, plant and equipment.

Any gain or loss on disposal of an item of property, plant and equipment is recognised in profit or loss.

(ii) Subsequent expenditure

Subsequent expenditure is capitalised only when it is probable that the future economic benefits associated with the expenditure will flow to the Society.

(iii) Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost of property, plant and equipment less their estimated residual values using the straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives, and is generally recognised in profit or loss. Leased assets are depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and their useful lives unless it is reasonably certain that the Society will obtain ownership by the end of the lease term. Land is not depreciated.

The estimated useful lives for the current and comparative year are as follows:

- Buildings 20 years, or lease term
- Animal shelters 20 - 50 years, or lease term
- Motor vehicles 5 years
- Plant, furniture and equipment 3-10 years
- Intangible assets 4 years

Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values are reviewed at each reporting date and adjusted if appropriate.

(iv) Capital works in progress

Capital works in progress represents expenditure on unfinished capital project.

(d) Intangible assets

Intangible assets are software in use measured at cost, less accumulated depreciation based on a useful life of 4 years.

3 Significant accounting policies (continued)

(e) Leases

At inception of a contract, the Society assesses whether a contract is, or contains, a lease. A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration.

The Society recognises a right-of-use asset and a lease liability at the lease commencement date. The right- of-use asset is initially measured at cost, which comprises the initial amount of the lease liability adjusted for any lease payments made at or before the commencement date and any initial direct costs incurred.

The right-of-use asset is subsequently depreciated using the straight-line method from the commencement date to the earlier of the end of the useful life of the right-of-use asset or the end of the lease term. The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, at the Society's incremental borrowing rate. Generally, the Society uses its incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate.

Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability comprise the following:

- fixed payments, including in-substance fixed payments;
- variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, initially measured using the index or rate as at the commencement date; and
- lease payments in an optional renewal period if the Society is reasonably certain to exercise an extension option, and penalties for early termination of a lease unless the Society is reasonably certain not to terminate early.

Short-term leases and leases of low-value assets

The Society has elected not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for leases of low-value assets or peppercorn leases and short-term leases, including IT equipment. The Society recognises the lease payments associated with these leases as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

(f) Revenue

(i) Revenue recognition policy from Revenue from Contracts with Customers (AASB15)

Revenue is recognised at an amount that reflects the consideration for transferring goods or services to a customer.

The timing of the payment of sale of goods and rendering of services generally corresponds to the timing of satisfaction of the performance obligations. Where there is a difference in timing, a receivable, contract asset or contract liability is recognised.

None of the revenue streams of the Society has any significant financing terms as there is less than 12 months between receipt of funds and satisfaction of performance obligations.

Sale of goods

Revenue from sales of goods comprises revenue earned from the sale of goods purchased for resale and gifts donated for resale. Sales revenue is recognised when the control of goods passes to the customer which is at the time that the goods are physically transferred.

Rendering of services

The Society is involved in the provision of veterinary services and related services. The Society recognises revenue from rendering of services when the services are performed.

3 Significant accounting policies (continued)

(f) Revenue (continued)

(ii) Revenue recognition policy for revenue streams which are either not enforceable or do not have sufficiently specific performance obligations (AASB 1058)

Grant income

Assets arising from grants in the scope of AASB 1058 are recognised at their fair value when the asset is received. These assets are generally cash but may be property which has been donated or sold to the Society below its fair value.

Capital grants

Capital grants received under an enforceable agreement to enable the Society to acquire or construct an item of property, plant and equipment to identified specifications for its use are recognised as revenue as and when the obligation to purchase or construct is met.

Legacies

Legacies are recognised when received or when the Society has been notified of an impending and unconditional entitlement.

Revenue from legacies comprising shares or other property are recognised at fair value, being the market value of the shares or property at the date the Society becomes legally entitled to the shares or property.

Donations and fundraising

Donations collected, including cash and goods for resale, are recognised as revenue when the Society gains control of the asset.

(g) Fundraising Activities

NSW Charitable Fundraising Act 1991

This Act and supporting Charitable Fundraising Regulation prescribe the manner in which fundraising appeals are conducted, controlled and reported in NSW. The amounts shown in Note 20 are in accordance with Authority Condition 7, which is issued to the Company under section 19 of the Act.

Donations:

Donations are recognised as income when received by the Society. As specified in the Act, unsolicited donations, members' donations and legacies are not treated as fundraising income when determining information required under the Act.

Costs of fundraising:

Costs used in Note 20 include all direct fundraising costs in accordance with the Act. The inclusion of indirect costs is discretionary. Indirect costs such as the time spent by accounting or office staff administering appeals, cost apportionment of rent, light and power, and insurance have been excluded from Note 20.

(h) Deferred income

Deferred income represents the unspent grants or other fees received on the condition that specified services are delivered or conditions are fulfilled. The services are usually provided or the conditions usually fulfilled within twelve months of receipts of the grant. Where the amount received is in respect of services to be provided over a period that exceeds twelve months after reporting date then the liability is disclosed as non-current. The Society realises grant income upon fulfillment of specific obligations in line with the requirements of AASB 1058.

3 Significant accounting policies (continued)

(i) Finance income and expenses

Finance income comprises interest income on funds invested, realised gains or losses, dividend income and distributions that are recognised in profit or loss. Interest income is recognised as it accrues, using the effective interest method. Dividends and distributions are recognised as income when received.

Finance expenses comprise interest expense on borrowings, management fees and impairment losses recognised on financial assets that are recognised in profit or loss. All borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss using the effective interest method.

(j) Income tax

The Society is an income tax exempt charity endorsed by the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). Its subsidary company is liable for income tax.

(k) Inventories

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value. The cost of inventories is based on the first-in, first-out principle.

(l) Investment property

Investment properties are properties held to earn rentals and/or capital appreciation. Where such property is acquired by legacy, investment properties are measured initially at deemed cost being fair value as per note 13, including transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, investment properties are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment loss.

Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost of investment property less their estimated residual values using the straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives, and is generally recognised in profit or loss. For the buildings, a useful life of 20 years is used in the calculation of depreciation.

(m) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts.

(n) Trade and other receivables

Trade receivables, which comprise amounts due from sales of merchandise and services provided to the public and unconditional amounts owed for work performed under grant agreements are recognised and carried at original invoice amount less an allowance for any uncollectible amounts.

(o) Trade and other payables

Trade payables are recognised for amounts to be paid in the future for goods or services received. Trade accounts payable are normally settled within 30 to 60 days.

(p) Employee benefits

A provision is made for the Society's liability for all accrued employee benefits (annual leave and long service leave) as at balance date, together with an allowance for on-costs.

The provision is treated as a current liability, except in respect of long service leave which has not vested and will not vest in the next financial year.

3 Significant accounting policies (continued)

(q) Use of estimates and judgements

The judgements, estimates and assumptions that have the most significant effects on the amounts recognised in the consolidated financial statements are summarised below.

Allowance for expected credit losses

The allowance for doubtful debts is determined by a review of the receivables ledger to assess the likelihood of collecting individual debts, based on all available information.

Estimation of useful lives of assets

The Society determines the estimated useful lives and related depreciation and amortisation charges for its property, plant and equipment. The depreciation and amortisation charge will increase where the useful lives are less than previously estimated.

(r) Goods and services tax

Revenue, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the taxation authority. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense. Receivables and payables are stated with the amount of GST included. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included as a current asset or liability in the statement of financial position.

Cash flows are included in the statement of cash flows on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO are classified as operating cash flows.

(s) Business combination

When the Society receives a bequest of more than 50% of the share capital of a company, the Society recognises an investment in a subsidiary company based on the fair value of the company's net assets. The Society's policy is to conduct an orderly realisation of the net assets of the subsidiary company or of the Society's share in it and to recognise any resulting gain or loss through the income statement. When a subsidiary company is held at balance date, consolidated accounts are prepared in which the underlying assets and liabilities of the subsidiary are recognised, together with a non-controlling interest proportionate to the shareholding of parties other than the Society.

4(a)	**Revenue**	**2023**	**2022**
		$'000	**$'000**
	Operating revenue		
	Donations	8,705	8,955
	Royalty	38	111
	Profit on sale of property	2,980	4,369
	Membership subscriptions	4	22
	Fees for service – animals	5,035	5,832
	Sale of goods	1,178	909
	Sale of animals	1,740	1,770
	Rent	445	440
	Court fines and costs	417	410
	Fundraising	7,101	7,104
	Sundry income	1,903	1,952
	Jobkeeper/Jobsaver	-	1,250
		29,546	33,124

4(b)	**Grants**		
	NSW Dept of Planning, Industry & Environment - Immediate Construction Capital Works Program	2,728	1,732
	NSW Dept of Primary Industries - Inspectorate Services Grants	2,924	424
	NSW Environmental Trust - Keeping Cats Safe at Home Grant	608	407
	NSW Dept of Premier & Cabinet - Community Building Partnerships Grant	437	-
	Other grants	367	435
		7,065	2,998

5	**Net finance income**		
	Interest income	191	34
	Dividends	1,987	2,104
	Realised gains/(losses)	541	(483)
	Finance income	2,719	1,655
	Portfolio management fees	(175)	(184)
	Finance expenses	(175)	(184)
	Net finance income	2,544	1,471

6	**Operating expenses**	**2023**	**2022**
		$'000	**$'000**
	An analysis of the Society's operating expenses for the year is as follows:		
	Salaries and wages expenses	35,151	32,439
	Contributions to defined superannuation contribution plans	3,371	2,914
	Depreciation of investment properties	200	82
	Depreciation of non-current assets	5,328	4,137
	Depreciation of right of use assets	34	116
	Bad debts expenses	37	62
	Administration expenses	9,120	8,304
	Animal related expenses	4,127	3,777
	Purchase of merchandise	425	556
	Repairs and maintenance	1,156	751
	Fundraising expenses	4,294	3,710
	Rent expenses	152	88
	Interest expense-right of use leases	1	4
	Other occupancy expenses	213	279
	Other expenses	2,277	2,173
		65,886	59,391

7	**Cash and cash equivalents**		
	Cash at bank and short term deposits	15,601	16,665
	Cash on hand	27	29
		15,628	16,693

8	**Trade and other receivables**		
	Trade receivables	923	1,504
	Legacies receivable	1,937	-
	Less: Allowance for doubtful debts	(431)	(395)
		2,429	1,109
	Allowance for doubtful debts		
	Opening balance	395	312
	Impairment losses on receivables	36	83
	Closing balance	431	395

The average credit period on sale of goods is 30 days. No interest is charged on the overdue trade receivables. Allowances for doubtful debts are recognised against trade receivables based on the estimated irrecoverable amounts determined by reference to past default experience of the counterparty and an analysis of the counterparty's current financial position.

		2023	2022
9	**Inventories**	**$'000**	**$'000**
	Finished goods	800	796
10	**Other assets**		
	Prepayments	287	402
11(a)	**Financial assets**		
	Current		
	Financial assets at amortised cost		
		15,533	7,160
		15,533	7,160
	Non-current		
	Equity instruments at FVOCI		
	Shares held at market value	47,650	43,875
	Unlisted trusts and shares at market value	760	896
		48,410	44,770
11(b)	**Movements in investments**		
	Current assets		
	Balance at beginning of financial year	7,160	16,185
	Transfer from cash and cash equivalents	15,500	-
	Transfer (to) non-current investments	(7,127)	(9,025)
	Balance at end of financial year	15,533	7,160
	Non-currents assets: listed and unlisted securities		
	Balance at beginning of financial year	44,770	47,915
	Dividends and interest reinvested	1,690	2,070
	Management fees	(175)	(184)
	Transfer (to) cash and cash equivalents	(7,963)	(9,190)
	Transfer from current investments	7,127	9,025
	In specie Legacy income received	532	157
	Realised gains/(losses)	541	(483)
	Fair value adjustment at 30 June 2023	1,888	(4,540)
	Balance at end of financial year	48,410	44,770

12(a) Property, plant and equipment

In AUD '000	Capital works in progress	Land and Bulidings	Motor vehicles	Plant furniture and equipment	Computer Equipment	Total
Cost						
Balance at 1 July 2022	15,611	69,897	6,213	7,937	202	99,860
Additions	5,392	2,478	5,339	909	199	14,317
Transfers	(13,862)	13,371	-	26	465	-
Disposals	-	-	(3,414)	(802)	(6)	(4,222)
Balance as at 30 June 2023	**7,141**	**85,746**	**8,138**	**8,070**	**860**	**109,955**
Accumulated depreciation and impairment losses						
Balance at 1 July 2022	-	(23,604)	(1,237)	(6,368)	(43)	(31,252)
Depreciation for the year	-	(2,642)	(1,352)	(389)	(236)	(4,619)
Disposals	-	-	817	786	6	1,609
Balance as at 30 June 2023	-	**(26,246)**	**(1,772)**	**(5,971)**	**(273)**	**(34,262)**
Carrying amount						
At 1 July 2022	15,611	46,293	4,976	1,569	159	68,608
At 30 June 2023	7,141	59,500	6,366	2,099	587	75,693

12(b) Intangible Assets

In AUD '000	Software in Use	Total
Cost		
Balance at 1 July 2022	2,071	2,071
Additions	1,125	1,125
Balance as at 30 June 2023	**3,196**	**3,196**
Accumulated depreciation		
Balance at 1 July 2022	(663)	(663)
Depreciation for the year	(706)	(706)
Balance as at 30 June 2023	**(1,369)**	**(1,369)**
Carrying amount		
At 1 July 2022	1,408	1,408
At 30 June 2023	1,827	1,827

13	**Investment properties**	**2023**	**2022**
		$'000	**$'000**
	Cost		
	Balance at 01 July	14,512	8,447
	Additions	7,778	6,750
	Disposals	(4,205)	(685)
	Balance at 30 June	18,085	14,512
	Accumulated Depreciation		
	Balance at 01 July	(852)	(777)
	Depreciation for the year	(206)	(148)
	Disposals	201	73
	Balance at 30 June	(857)	(852)
	Carrying amount		
	Balance at 01 July	13,660	7,670
	Balance at 30 June	17,228	13,660

14	**Trade and other payables**		
	Trade payables	2,637	1,615
	Other payables and accruals	5,159	4,410
		7,796	6,025

15	**Deferred income**		
	Grant funding	28,186	8,768

16	**Provisions**		
	Employee benefits - Current	5,295	4,922
	Employee benefits - Non-current	404	394
		5,699	5,316

17 Right-of-use and lease liability

Operating leases relate to leased land at Yagoona which is held on a peppercorn basis, together with sundry leases for equipment. These leases are for differing terms in accordance with the contractual agreements. The Society does not have an option to purchase the leased assets at the expiry of the lease periods. These leases are regarded as immaterial for the purpose of disclosure in accordance with AASB 16

Information about other property leases accounted for in accordance with AASB 16 is presented below:

	2023	2022
(i) Right-of-use assets	**$'000**	**$'000**
Cost		
Balance at 01 July	325	301
Additions	44	24
Disposals	(277)	-
Balance at 30 June	92	325
Accumulated Depreciation		
Balance at 01 July	(262)	(146)
Depreciation for the year	(72)	(116)
Disposals	277	-
Balance at 30 June	(58)	(263)
Carrying amount		
Balance at 01 July	62	154
Balance at 30 June	34	62
(ii) Lease liability		
Current	119	88
	119	88
(iii) Amount recognised in profit or loss		
Interest on lease liabilities	1	4
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	72	116

18 Reserves

Reserves	5,412	3,524

Reserves are balances that relate to unrealised gains or (losses) on equity investments at FVOCI (see note 3(b)(iii)(b)).

19	**Capital and other commitments**	**2023**	**2022**
		$'000	**$'000**
	Capital expenditure commitments		
	Contracted but not provided for		
	Shelters	3,475	1,549

The Society is in the process of a multi-staged re-development. The capital commitments are contracted costs in relation to the re-development.

20 Charitable Fundraising Act 1991

The following additional information is provided in accordance with the requirements of the above Act.

(a) *Fundraising appeals*

Staff, members and branches have conducted various fundraising appeals during the year. Details of aggregate gross income and total expenses of fundraising appeals, as disclosed in these financial statements were as follows:

Gross proceeds from the fundraising appeals		
Head office		
Donations	8,634	8,843
Fundraising	7,020	7,028
Branches		
Donations	71	113
Fundraising	81	76
Gross proceeds from fundraising appeals	15,806	16,060
Cost of fundraising appeals		
Head office	(4,273)	(3,699)
Branches	(21)	(11)
Total costs of fundraising appeals	(4,294)	(3,710)
Net surplus obtained from fundraising	11,512	12,350

Costs of fundraising appeals noted above is mainly comprised of costs for events and communications with supporters of the Society who may ultimately bequeath assets to the Society. Income from fundraising appeals does not include assets bequeathed by supporters, as bequest and legacy income is not deemed a fundraising appeal pursuant to the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991. Accordingly, in assessing the return on costs of fundraising appeals, regard should be made to the bequest and legacy income also generated from these activities.

20	**Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 (continued)**	**2023**	**2022**
(b)	Statement showing how funds received were applied to charitable purposes:	**$'000**	**$'000**
	Net surplus from fundraising appeals	11,512	12,350
	Net surplus was applied to the charitable purpose in the following manner:		
	Funding RSPCA Inspectors	(7,863)	(7,241)
	Animal shelter facilities for stray, abandoned and abused animals	(22,415)	(20,821)
	Veterinary clinic services	(11,756)	(10,666)
	Expenditure on support services	(18,447)	(16,126)
	Volunteer branches	(589)	(672)
	Expenditure for bushfire relief	(221)	(348)
		(61,291)	(55,874)
	Shortfall	(49,779)	(43,524)

21 Related parties

(a) Transactions with key management personnel (KMP)

(i) *KMP and Directors compensation*

During the financial year the Society has not compensated or agreed to compensate any Director of the Society.

The KMP compensation was $992,016 for the financial year ended 30 June 2023 (2022: $1,078,558). In addition post employment benefits (superannuation contributions) amounted to $97,348 for the financial year ended 30 June 2023 (2022: $96,092).

The KMP for the financial year ended 30 June 2023 included termination benefits/entitlements of nil (2022: nil).

There are no contractual termination benefits in respect of any employee.

(ii) *KMP and Director transactions*

The Society may engage the services of Directors to provide their professional services at arm's length rates of remuneration. No services were provided during the finanicial year ended 30 June 2023.

No amount was owed to any Director as at 30 June 2023 (2022: nil).

Transactions between the Society and its KMP arising in the ordinary course of business have been conducted on an arm's length basis.

21 Related parties (continued)

(b) Branches

Albury
Armidale
Bathurst
Blue Mountains
Broken Hill
Central West Group
Cooma
Eurobodalla
Glen Innes
Goulburn and Southern Highlands
Gunnedah
Illawarra
Inverell
Kempsey
Orange
Port Macquarie
Tamworth
Taree
Tenterfield
Tweed Shire
Shoalhaven
Wagga Wagga
Sydney Auxiliary

22 Contingent liabilities

In the ordinary course of operations, the Society receives claims against it which may involve litigation. Where the outcome is probable and can be reasonably quantified, provision is made in these financial statements.

23 Subsequent events

There have not been any matters or circumstances that have occurred subsequent to the end of the financial year that have significantly affected, or may significantly affect, the operations of the Society, the results of its operations, or the state of affairs of the Society in future financial years.

24 Parent entity financial information

The Society is the parent entity which has 100% of the share capital of Hansons Properties Pty Ltd (ABN 67 000 382 721) (Hansons) which was acquired as a bequest. Hansons owns a property which is leased on commercial terms.

The following information below are the financial results of the parent entity alone:

Result of parent entity	**2023**	**2022**
	$'000	**$'000**
(Deficit)/surplus for the financial year	(302)	12,639
Other comprehensive income	1,888	(4,540)
Total comprehensive income for the financial year	1,586	8,099

Financial position of the parent entity at period end		
Current assets	34,565	25,871
Non-current assets	144,538	130,015
Total assets	179,103	155,886
Current liabilities	42,760	19,407
Non-current liabilities	404	2,126
Total liabilities	43,164	21,532
Total equity of the parent entity		
Revaluation reserve	5,411	3,524
Accumulated funds	130,528	130,829
Total equity	135,939	134,353

25 Remuneration of auditors

Audit services	81	75
Assurance and other services	13	19
Total remuneration	94	94

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales

Directors' declaration

In the opinion of the directors of The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales ('the Society'):

(a) the Society is not publicly accountable;

(b) the consolidated financial statements and notes that are set out on pages 10 to 30 are in accordance with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012, including:

  (i) giving a true and fair view of the Society's financial position as at 30 June 2023 and of its performance, for the financial year ended on that date;

  (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosure and the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013 ; and

(c) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Society will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors:

Dr Peter Wright
President

Mr Stewart Thompson
Treasurer

Dated at Sydney this 25th day of September 2023

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales
Declaration by Executive Officer in accordance with the Charitable Fundraising

For the year ended 30 June 2023

I, Peter Wright, President of The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales, state that in my opinion:

(a) the consolidated financial report gives a true and fair view of all income and expenditure of The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales with respect to fundraising appeal activities for the financial year ended 30 June 2023;

(b) the consolidated statement of financial position gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs with respect to fundraising appeal activities as at 30 June 2023;

(c) the provisions of the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991and Regulations and the conditions attached to the authority have been complied with for the financial year ended 30 June 2023; and

(d) the internal controls exercised by The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales are appropriate and effective in accounting for all income received and applied from any fundraising appeals.

Dr Peter Wright
President

Dated at Sydney this 25th day of September 2023

Independent Auditor's Report

To the members of The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales

Opinion

We have audited the ***Financial Report***, of The Royal Society Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales (the "Society") and its controlled entities (the "***Group***").

In our opinion the accompanying Financial Report of the ***Group*** is in accordance with Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC) Act 2012*, and the *Charitable Fundraising Act (NSW) 1991* including:

- giving a true and fair view of the ***Group's*** financial position as at 30 June 2023, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year ended on that date; and
- complying with *Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures Framework* and Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulations 2022 (ACNCR)*.

The ***Financial Report*** comprises:

I. Consolidated statement of financial position as at 30 June 2023.

II. Consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, Consolidated statement of changes in equity, and Consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended.

III. Notes including a summary of significant accounting policies.

IV. Directors' declaration.

V. Declaration by the President.

The ***Group*** consists of The Royal Society Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales and the entities it controlled at the year-end or from time to time during the financial year.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with *Australian Auditing Standards*. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report* section of our report.

We are independent of the Group in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *ACNC Act 2012* and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the Financial Report in Australia. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

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We confirm that the independence declaration required by the *ACNC Act 2012*, which has been given to the Directors of the Group, would be in the same terms if given to the Directors as at the time of this Auditor's Report.

Other information

Other Information is financial and non-financial information in Group's annual reporting which is provided in addition to the Financial Report and the Auditor's Report. The Directors are responsible for the Other Information.

The Other Information we obtained prior to the date of this Auditor's Report was the Director's Report.

Our opinion on the Financial Report does not cover the Other Information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the Financial Report, our responsibility is to read the Other Information. In doing so, we consider whether the Other Information is materially inconsistent with the Financial Report or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

We are required to report if we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this Other Information, and based on the work we have performed on the Other Information that we obtained prior to the date of this Auditor's Report we have nothing to report.

Responsibilities of the Directors for the Financial Report

The Directors are responsible for:

i. Preparing the Financial Report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures Framework and the ACNC Act *2012 and ACNCR*.

ii. Preparing the Financial Report in accordance with Section 24(2) of the *Charitable Fundraising (NSW) Act 199*1 and Regulations.

iii. Implementing necessary internal control to enable the preparation of a Financial Report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

iv. Assessing the Group's ability to continue as a going concern and whether the use of the going concern basis of accounting is appropriate. This includes disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate the Group or to cease operations or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report

Our objective is:

i. to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Financial Report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; and

ii. to issue an Auditor's Report that includes our opinion.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with *Australian Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error. They 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 this Financial Report.

As part of an audit in accordance with *Australian Auditing Standards*, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit.

We also:

i. Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the Financial Report, 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.

ii. 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 registered Group's internal control.

iii. Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Directors.

iv. 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 registered Group'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 Report 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 registered Group to cease to continue as a going concern.

v. Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the Financial Report, including the disclosures, and whether the Financial Report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Directors of the Group 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.

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Cameron Roan

Partner

Sydney

27 September 2023

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales

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The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales

Director's Report

For the financial year ended 30 June 2024

The Directors present their report together with the financial report of The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales (the Society) for the financial year ended 30 June 2024 and the auditor's report thereon. In order to comply with the provisions of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012, the Directors report as follows:

1 Directors

The Directors of the Society at any time during or since the end of the financial year are:

	Appointed
Dr Peter Wright, President	22 January 2002
Dr Ian Roth, Vice President	25 March 2017
Mr Mark Steele SC, Vice President, Co-opted Director for 4 years	16 July 2021
Mr Stewart Thompson, Treasurer	8 June 2022
Mr Graham Hall, Director	19 April 1984
Ms Sarah Cruickshank, Director	3 August 2010
Mr Donald Richmond Robinson, Director	30 October 2014
Mr Peter O'Callaghan, Co-opted Director for 4 years	27 February 2023
Ms Mia Steele, Co-opted Director for 4 years	27 July 2020
Ms Margaret Gaal, Director	30 November 2020

Name and responsibilities	**Qualifications, experience and other directorships**
Dr P Wright *President*	Dr Wright is a veterinarian who runs his own practice at Goulburn, NSW and treats domestic pets, livestock, wildlife and other exotic species. He has a long involvement with animal care groups, including WIRES, and in assisting the region’s local RSPCA inspectors.
Dr I Roth *Vice President*	Dr Roth worked as a veterinarian with the NSW Department of Primary Industries (NSW DPI) for 40 years in biosecurity and animal welfare. He managed the NSW DPI’s Animal Welfare Unit and worked closely with RSPCA NSW. Until his retirement in December 2015, he was the Chief Veterinary Officer for NSW. His career successes were recognised with a Public Service Medal for outstanding public service to veterinary science, particularly pertaining to animal welfare and biosecurity in NSW. Dr Roth is the Chair of the Board’s Animal Welfare Policy Committee.

1 Directors (continued)

Name and responsibilities	Qualifications, experience and other directorship
Mr M Steele SC *Vice President*	Mr Steele is a barrister practising in corporate and employment law at the commercial Bar in Sydney. He was appointed Senior Counsel in 2013. Mr Steele has a commerce degree and first-class honours law degree from the University of Melbourne and a master's degree in law from Oxford University. He is currently studying for a PhD in law at Sydney University. Before coming to the Bar in 1995, Mr Steele worked for ten years as an investment banker in London, New York and Sydney. He has been a lifelong supporter of the RSPCA as a donor, foster carer and adopter. In recent years, Mr Steele has assisted RSPCA NSW pro bono on numerous important governance and regulatory matters. Mr Steele is the Chair of the Board's Governance Committee and a member of its Animal Welfare Policy Committee. He is also a Director of RSPCA Australia.
Mr S Thompson *Treasurer*	Mr Thompson is a Partner at Hall Chadwick. He has over 30 years of chartered accounting experience and has been a partner in public practice since 2001. He has worked within Big 4 and mid-tier firms providing audit and advisory services. His focus is on the middle market, providing audit and assurance services to a range of clients encompassing corporate and not-for-profit entities. As Treasurer, he is particularly focused on the organisation's financial sustainability. Mr Thompson is also the Chair of the Board's Finance Committee.
Mr G Hall *Director*	Mr Hall is a Life Member of RSPCA NSW and has been an RSPCA Board Member since 1984. He is the primary producer and owner of a family property near Young. He breeds Shorthorn cattle.
Ms S Cruickshank *Director*	Ms Cruickshank has spent twelve years in Senior Executive roles within both the Commonwealth and NSW Governments. Before joining the Australian Public Service in 2012, she spent ten years as part of a global public relations agency, the last five years of which she was Managing Director of one of its Australian-based companies. Throughout her life, she has been the proud owner of multiple shelter cats and dogs and is passionate about protecting the interests of vulnerable animals in our society. Ms Cruickshank is a member of the Board's Governance Committee.

1 Directors (continued)

Name and responsibilities	Qualifications, experience and other directorship
Mr D Robinson *Director*	Born in Young in NSW, Mr Robinson had a varied career before joining the NSW Police in 1971. He served in small rural communities across the state for 23 years but resigned to take up the position of Chief Inspector for RSPCA NSW. He served eight years before becoming RSPCA NSW Manager of Branches and Properties. He is keenly interested in all facets of the RSPCA, particularly the branches and their operations. As an RSPCA Australia Farm Assessor, he inspected piggeries accredited under the Approved Farming Scheme. In 2012, Mr Robinson retired to a 60-acre farm in Grenfell in the Mid-West NSW, where he now runs a few cattle and an alpaca. Mr Robinson is a member of the Board's Animal Welfare Policy Committee.
Mr P O'Callaghan *Co-opted Director*	Mr O'Callaghan has over 35 years of experience in risk management for not-for-profit organisations, government enterprises and health services, among many others. He is a member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors (AICD) and was awarded the inaugural Certified Public Accountant (CPA) award for outstanding individual contribution to Victoria. As well as serving on the RSPCA NSW Board of Directors, Mr O'Callaghan is currently Chairman of LifeChoice Limited, Director of Uniting Agewell Limited (Vic /Tas) and Chairman of AKC Ltd. Mr O'Callaghan is the Chair of the Board's Audit and Risk Committee and a member of the Board's Governance Committee.
Ms M Steele *Co-opted Director*	Ms Steele has supported the RSPCA since childhood. She is a life member and long-term supporter of RSPCA NSW as a volunteer, donor, foster carer and the proud parent of a much-loved terrier cross adopted from Yagoona. Ms Steele has a Masters degree in law from Oxford University and has volunteered with several community organisations for more than 30 years, including as a volunteer teacher with Primary Ethics for 7 years. At RSPCA NSW, Ms Steele has volunteered with the Education Team and assists in fundraising activities. Ms Steele is a member of the Audit and Risk Committee of the Board.
Ms M Gaal *Director*	Ms Gaal joined RSPCA NSW in 1981 and is currently the President of our RSPCA Bathurst Branch. Margaret is a life member of RSPCA NSW and brings a wealth of knowledge of the organization. She is the founder of the NSW RSPCA CAWS Program, which commenced in 2003 and completed the RSPCA CAWS Program in Tahiti. Outside of RSPCA NSW, Margaret has sat on various NSW Government Taskforce committees. She is formerly President of the Australian Institute of Local Government Rangers Association and a life member of the Australian Institute NSW Rangers Association.

Director's Report (continued)

For the financial year ended 30 June 2024

1 Directors (continued)

Name and responsibilities	Qualifications, experience and other directorship
Mr S Coleman *Company Secretary, CEO*	Since joining RSPCA NSW in 1991, Steve has held many positions: Inspector, Deputy Chief Inspector, Chief Inspector, Deputy CEO and now CEO. This has significantly assisted in developing his leadership style and approach, with the primary purpose of RSPCA NSW at the core of his development. Steve's tertiary qualifications include a Graduate Diploma in Investigations Management, a Master in Business Administration and is a graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors (AICD). Steve has extensive experience in stakeholder management including local, state and federal government, industry and media experience. With many years managing staff (approximately 500), volunteers (approximately 1500) and with a grassroots experience base, Steve is able to guide RSPCA NSW's strategic development and execution.

2 Director's meetings

The number of Director's meetings and number of meetings attended by each of the Directors of the Society during the financial year are:

Director	Board meetings	
	Attended	Entitled
Dr Peter Wright, President	5	6
Dr Ian Roth, Vice President	6	6
Mr Mark Steele SC, Vice President, Co-opted Director	6	6
Mr Stewart Thompson, Treasurer	5	6
Mr Graham Hall, Director	5	6
Ms Sarah Cruickshank, Director	5	6
Mr Donald Robinson, Director	3	6
Mr Peter O'Callaghan, Co-opted Director	6	6
Ms Mia Steele, Co-opted Director	5	6
Ms Margaret Gaal, Director	6	6
Mr Steve Coleman (Company Secretary, CEO)	6	6

3 Principal activities, objectives and strategies

The principal activity of the Society in the course of the financial year was the prevention of cruelty to animals through the activities of the inspectorate and the operation of shelters, clinics, the fostering and adoption of animals and the support of people in need in the care of their animals and the provision of veterinary services.

There were no significant changes in the nature of the activities of the Society during the financial year.

3 Principal activities, objectives and strategies (continued)

Short-term objectives and strategies

- Improve animal welfare outcomes for animals in the Society's care;
- Exceed the expectations of supporters in the care and protection of animals;
- Assist with animal care and protection during natural disasters;
- Provide a safe and happy work environment for staff and volunteers;
- Increase income to support the Society's activities; and
- Maintain vigilance in the control of costs.

Long-term objectives and strategies

- Grow our volunteer network;
- Continue focus on cruelty prevention;
- Educate the community on the importance of animal welfare;
- Continuously invest in fundraising;
- Invest in rehoming and reduction in length of stay strategies; and
- Partner with government, local councils and industry for the betterment of animals.

Measures of performance

The financial and operational performance of the Society is monitored by reference to appropriate measures on a monthly basis.

4 Membership liability

The Society is a public company limited by guarantee. There is no liability of any member under the guarantee should the Society be wound up.

5 NSW Charitable Fundraising Act Compliance

The Society has complied with the regulations and provisions under the NSW Charitable Fundraising Act.

6 Subsequent events and likely developments

The Society sold the Katoomba Shelter to the Blue Mountains City Council for a nominal sum on 5 July 2024. The writedown of the Katoomba Shelter property is disclosed in Note 12(a) and Note 17.

Other than the matters discussed above, there has not arisen in the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report any item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature likely, in the opinion of the directors of the Group, to affect significantly the operations of the Group, the result of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Group, in future financial years.

Director's Report (continued)

For the financial year ended 30 June 2024

7 Indemnification and insurance of officers and auditors

Indemnification

Since the end of the previous financial year, the Society has not indemnified or made a relevant agreement for indemnifying against a liability any person who is or has been an officer or auditor of the Society.

Insurance premiums

During the financial year, the Society paid a premium in respect of a contract insuring the directors of the Society, the company secretary and all executive officers of the company and of any related body corporate against a liability incurred as such a director, secretary or executive officer to the extent permitted by the Corporations Act 2001. The contract of insurance prohibits disclosure of the nature of the liability and the amount of the premium.

8 Lead auditor's independence declaration

The Lead auditor's independence declaration is set out on page 9 and forms part of the Director's report for the financial year ended 30 June 2024.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of the Directors:

Dr Peter Wright
President

Mr Stewart Thompson
Treasurer

Dated at Sydney this 27th day of September 2024

Auditor's Independence Declaration under subdivision 60-C section 60-40 of Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012

To the Directors of The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, in relation to the audit for the financial year ended 30 June 2024 there have been:

i. no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 in relation to the audit; and

ii. no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

KPMG

Patrice Scott

Partner

Sydney

27th September 2024

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The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales

Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income

For the financial year ended 30 June 2024

In AUD '000	***Note***	**2024**	**2023**
Operating revenue	*4(a)*	26,115	28,582
Operating expenses	*6*	(81,253)	(65,886)
(Deficit) before legacies and grants		**(55,138)**	**(37,304)**
Legacies and bequests		30,876	26,815
Grants income	*4(b)*	27,712	7,681
Surplus/(deficit) before finance income		**3,450**	**(2,808)**
Finance income		3,579	2,719
Finance expenses		(196)	(175)
Net financing income	*5*	**3,383**	**2,544**
Surplus/(deficit) before income tax expense		**6,833**	**(264)**
Income tax expense		(27)	(25)
Surplus/(deficit) for the financial year		**6,806**	**(289)**
Other comprehensive income			
Net gain on equity investments at FVOCI		2,157	1,888
Total comprehensive income for the financial year		**8,963**	**1,599**

The notes on pages 14-30 are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

For the financial year ended 30 June 2024

In AUD '000	***Note***	**2024**	**2023**
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	*7*	5,679	15,628
Trade and other receivables	*8*	3,254	2,429
Inventories	*9*	621	800
Other assets	*10*	726	287
Financial assets	*11*	74	15,533
Assets held for sale	*14*	6,050	-
Total current assets		**16,404**	**34,677**
Financial assets	*11*	49,084	48,410
Property, plant and equipment	*12(a)*	81,374	75,693
Intangible assets	*12(b)*	1,259	1,827
Investment properties	*13*	16,333	17,228
Right-of-use assets	*18*	-	34
Total non-current assets		**148,050**	**143,192**
Total assets		**164,454**	**177,869**
Liabilities			
Trade and other payables	*15*	4,921	5,975
Provisions	*17*	10,244	7,135
Deferred income	*16*	3,626	28,186
Lease liability	*18*	-	38
Total current liabilities		**18,791**	**41,334**
Provisions	*17*	631	466
Total non-current liabilities		**631**	**466**
Total liabilities		**19,422**	**41,800**
Net assets		**145,032**	**136,069**
Accumulated funds and reserves			
Accumulated funds		137,463	130,657
Reserves	*19*	7,569	5,412
Total accumulated funds and reserves		**145,032**	**136,069**

The notes on pages 14-30 are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales

Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

For the financial year ended 30 June 2024

In AUD '000	Revaluation reserve	Accumulated funds	Total
Balance as at 1st July 2022	**3,524**	**130,946**	**134,470**
(Deficit) for the year	-	(289)	(289)
Net gain on equity investments at FVOCI	1,888	-	1,888
Total comprehensive income for the financial year	**1,888**	**(289)**	**1,599**
Balance as at 30th June 2023	**5,412**	**130,657**	**136,069**
Balance as at 1st July 2023	**5,412**	**130,657**	**136,069**
Surplus for the year	-	6,806	6,806
Net gain on equity investments at FVOCI	2,157	-	2,157
Total comprehensive income for the financial year	**2,157**	**6,806**	**8,963**
Balance as at 30th June 2024	**7,569**	**137,463**	**145,032**

The notes on pages 14-30 are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

For the financial year ended 30 June 2024

In AUD '000	**2024**	**2023**
Cash flows from operating activities		
Cash receipts from members and customers	15,364	17,994
Cash payments to suppliers and employees	(71,381)	(58,096)
Donations received	8,125	8,705
Legacies received[1]	23,046	16,223
Grants	3,153	26,482
Net cash (used in)/from operating activities	**(21,693)**	**11,308**
Cash flows from investing activities		
Interest receipts	772	191
Dividends	1,774	1,987
Reinvestment of interest and dividends receipts	(1,955)	(1,690)
Rent received	382	445
Proceeds from sale of investment property	2,650	5,646
Proceeds from sale of property plant and equipment	3,695	3,951
Payments for property plant and equipment and intangible assets	(15,490)	(15,367)
Liquid investments realised/(acquired)	19,916	(7,537)
Net cash from/(used in) investing activities	**11,744**	**(12,373)**
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	**15,628**	**16,693**
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(9,949)	(1,065)
Cash and cash equivalents at the of the financial year	**5,679**	**15,628**

1. The Group receives Legacy income in both cash and non-cash forms. Non-cash bequests may include properties, financial investments, companies and other assets. There may also be a difference in the timing of the receipt of cash compared to the recognition of the bequeathed income.

The notes on pages 14-30 are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

1 Reporting entity

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales (the "Society") is a public company limited by guarantee. The Society is domiciled in Australia. The address of the Society's registered office is 201 Rookwood Road, Yagoona NSW 2199. The Society is registered under the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012.

These consolidated financial statements include the underlying assets and liabilities of the subsidiary companies as disclosed in Note 25. The financial statements are as at and for the financial year ended 30 June 2024.

2 Basis of preparation

(a) Statement of preparation

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standard 1060 - Simplified Disclosures adopted by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) and the requirements of the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012.

The financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 27th September 2024.

(b) Basis of measurement

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for equity securities at fair value through other comprehensive income (OCI) which are measured at fair value determined by reference to their quoted closing exit bid price at the reporting date.

(c) Functional and presentation currency

These consolidated financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is the Society's functional currency. Figures are presented in round thousand dollars unless otherwise stated.

(d) Use of estimates and judgements

The preparation of consolidated financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised and in any future periods affected.

Details of the specific judgement, estimates and assumptions that have the most significant effects on the amounts recognised in the consolidated financial statements are summarised in Note 3(q).

(e) New and amended standards adopted by the Society

A number of other new standards are also effective from 01 July 2023 but they do not have material effect on the Society's financial statements.

(f) Change in classification

The Society reviews the adequacy and effectiveness of reporting classifications from time to time. Material reclassifications are adjusted where appropriate and identified in the notes to the accounts. Prior year figures are adjusted to conform to the classifications used in the current year.

3 Material accounting policies

Unless otherwise stated, the accounting policies set out below have been applied consistently to all periods presented in these consolidated financial statements.

(a) Branch accounts

The consolidated financial statements comprise the accounts of the Society, its Subsidiaries and all its Branches. The consolidated financial statements are inclusive of Branch balances at balance date and transactions during the year, after elimination of balances and transactions between Branches and Head Office. A listing of branches is disclosed in note 22(b).

(b) Financial instruments

(i) Recognition and derecognition

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Society becomes a party to the contractual provisions of a financial instrument.

Financial assets are derecognised when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire, or when the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards are transferred.

A financial liability is derecognised when it is extinguished, discharged, cancelled or expires.

(ii) Classification and measurement of financial assets

Financial assets are classified according to their business model and the characteristics of their contractual cash flows. Except for those receivables that do not contain a significant financing component and are measured at the transaction price, all financial assets are initially measured at fair value adjusted for transactions costs (where applicable).

(iii) Subsequent measurement of financial assets

Financial assets are not reclassified subsequent to their initial recognition unless the Society changes its business model for managing financial assets, in which case all affected financial assets are reclassified on the first day of the first reporting period following the change in the business model.

For the purpose of subsequent measurement, financial assets, other than those designated and effective as hedging instruments, are classified into the following four categories:

- Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL)
- Financial assets at amortised cost (see below) ;
- Debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVTOCI); and
- Equity instruments at FVTOCI (see below)

The accounting policy is set out below:

(a) Financial assets at amortised cost

Financial assets with contractual cash flows representing solely payments of principal and interest and held within a business model of 'hold to collect' contractual cash flows are accounted for at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Financial assets at amortised costs comprise of cash and cash equivalents, term deposits and trade and other receivables.

(b) Equity investments at FVOCI

These assets are subsequently measured at fair value. Dividends are recognised as income in profit or loss unless the dividend clearly represents a recovery of part of the cost of the investment. Other net gains and losses are recognised in OCI and are never reclassified to profit or loss.

3 Material accounting policies

(b) Financial instruments (continued)

(iii) Subsequent measurement of financial assets (continued)

(b) Equity investments at FVOCI (continued)

Equity investments at FVOCI are investments in listed and unlisted shares and investments in trusts.

All income and expenses relating to financial assets that are recognised in profit or loss are presented within finance income and finance expenses, except for impairment of trade receivables which is presented within operating expenses.

(c) Property, plant and equipment

(i) Recognition and measurement

Items of property, plant and equipment are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset.

If significant parts of an item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, they are accounted for as separate items (major components) of property, plant and equipment.

Any gain or loss on disposal of an item of property, plant and equipment is recognised in profit or loss.

Assets held for sale are classified as held for sale if it is highly probable that they will be recovered primarily through sale rather than through continuing use. Assets held for sale are valued at the lower of their carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell. Once classified as held for sale, the assets are no longer depreciated.

(ii) Subsequent expenditure

Subsequent expenditure is capitalised only when it is probable that the future economic benefits associated with the expenditure will flow to the Society.

(iii) Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost of property, plant and equipment less their estimated residual values using the straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives, and is generally recognised in profit or loss. Leased assets are depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and their useful lives unless it is reasonably certain that the Society will obtain ownership by the end of the lease term. Land is not depreciated.

The estimated useful lives for the current and comparative year are as follows:

- Buildings 10 - 40 years, or lease term
- Animal shelters 20 - 50 years, or lease term
- Motor vehicles 5 years
- Plant, furniture and equipment 3 - 10 years
- Intangible assets 4 years

Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values are reviewed at each reporting date and adjusted if appropriate.

(iv) Capital works in progress

Capital works in progress represents expenditure on unfinished capital project.

(d) Intangible

Intangible assets are software in use measured at cost, less accumulated depreciation based on a useful life of 4 years.

3 Material accounting policies

(e) Leases

At inception of a contract, the Society assesses whether a contract is, or contains, a lease. A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration.

The Society recognises a right-of-use asset and a lease liability at the lease commencement date. The right- of-use asset is initially measured at cost, which comprises the initial amount of the lease liability adjusted for any lease payments made at or before the commencement date and any initial direct costs incurred.

The right-of-use asset is subsequently depreciated using the straight-line method from the commencement date to the earlier of the end of the useful life of the right-of-use asset or the end of the lease term. The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, at the Society's incremental borrowing rate. Generally, the Society uses its incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate.

Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability comprise the following:

- fixed payments, including in-substance fixed payments;
- variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, initially measured using the index or rate as at the commencement date; and
- lease payments in an optional renewal period if the Society is reasonably certain to exercise an extension option, and penalties for early termination of a lease unless the Society is reasonably certain not to terminate early.

Short-term leases and leases of low-value assets

The Society has elected not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for leases of low-value assets or peppercorn leases and short-term leases, including IT equipment. The Society recognises the lease payments associated with these leases as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

(f) Revenue

(i) Revenue recognition policy from Revenue from Contracts with Customers (AASB15)

Revenue is recognised at an amount that reflects the consideration for transferring goods or services to a customer.

The timing of the payment of sale of goods and rendering of services generally corresponds to the timing of satisfaction of the performance obligations. Where there is a difference in timing, a receivable, contract asset or contract liability is recognised.

None of the revenue streams of the Society has any significant financing terms as there is less than 12 months between receipt of funds and satisfaction of performance obligations.

Sale of goods

Revenue from sales of goods comprises revenue earned from the sale of goods purchased for resale and gifts donated for resale. Sales revenue is recognised when the control of goods passes to the customer which is at the time that the goods are physically transferred.

Rendering of services

The Society is involved in the provision of veterinary services and related services. The Society recognises revenue from rendering of services when the services are performed.

3 Material accounting policies

(f) Revenue (continued)

(ii) Revenue recognition policy for revenue streams which are either not enforceable or do not have sufficiently specific performance obligations (AASB 1058)

Grant income

Assets arising from grants in the scope of AASB 1058 are recognised at their fair value when the asset is received. These assets are generally cash but may be property which has been donated or sold to the Society below its fair value.

Capital grants

Capital grants received under an enforceable agreement to enable the Society to acquire or construct an item of property, plant and equipment to identified specifications for its use are recognised as revenue as and when the obligation to purchase or construct is met.

Legacies

Legacies are recognised when received or when the Society has been notified of an impending and unconditional entitlement.

Revenue from legacies comprising shares or other property are recognised at fair value, being the market value of the shares or property at the date the Society becomes legally entitled to the shares or property.

Distributions received from testamentary trusts have been reclassified as legacy income; prior years sundry income (2024 $722,000; 2023 $348,000).

(g) Fundraising Activities

NSW Charitable Fundraising Act 1991

The Fundraising Regulation prescribe the manner in which fundraising appeals are conducted, controlled and reported in NSW.

Donations:

Donations and Fundraising are recognised as revenue when received by the Society. As specified in the Act, unsolicited donations, members' donations and legacies are not treated as fundraising income when determining information required under the Act.

Costs of fundraising:

Costs used in Note 21 include all direct fundraising costs. Indirect costs such as the time spent by accounting or office staff administering appeals, cost apportionment of rent, light and power, and insurance have been excluded from Note 21.

(h) Deferred income

Deferred income represents the unspent grants or other fees received on the condition that specified services are delivered or conditions are fulfilled. The services are usually provided or the conditions usually fulfilled within twelve months of receipts of the grant. Where the amount received is in respect of services to be provided over a period that exceeds twelve months after reporting date then the liability is disclosed as non-current. The Society realises grant income upon fulfillment of specific obligations in line with the requirements of AASB 1058.

3 Material accounting policies

(i) Finance income and expenses

Finance income comprises interest income on funds invested, realised gains or losses, dividend income and distributions that are recognised in profit or loss. Interest income is recognised as it accrues, using the effective interest method. Dividends and distributions are recognised as income when received.

Finance expenses comprise interest expense on borrowings, management fees and impairment losses recognised on financial assets that are recognised in profit or loss. All borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss using the effective interest method.

(j) Income tax

The Society is an income tax exempt charity endorsed by the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). Its subsidary company, Hansons Properties Pty Ltd, is liable for income tax.

(k) Inventories

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value. The cost of inventories is based on the first-in, first-out principle.

(l) Investment property

Investment properties are held to earn rent and/or generate capital appreciation. Where such property is acquired by legacy, investment properties are measured initially at deemed cost being fair value as per note 13, including transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, investment properties are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment loss.

Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost of investment property less their estimated residual values using the straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives, and is generally recognised in profit or loss. For the buildings, a useful life of 20 years is used in the calculation of depreciation.

(m) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts.

(n) Trade and other receivables

Trade receivables, which comprise amounts due from sales of merchandise and services provided to the public and unconditional amounts owed for work performed under grant agreements are recognised and carried at original invoice amount less an allowance for any uncollectible amounts.

(o) Trade and other payables

Trade payables are recognised for amounts to be paid in the future for goods or services received. Trade accounts payable are normally settled within 30 to 60 days.

(p) Employee benefits

A provision is made for the Society's liability for all accrued employee benefits (annual leave and long service leave) as at balance date, together with an allowance for on-costs.

The provision is treated as a current liability, except in respect of long service leave which has not vested and will not vest in the next financial year.

3 Material accounting policies

(q) Use of estimates and judgements

The judgements, estimates and assumptions that have the most significant effects on the amounts recognised in the consolidated financial statements are summarised below.

Allowance for expected credit losses

The allowance for doubtful debts is determined by a review of the receivables ledger to assess the likelihood of collecting individual debts, based on all available information.

Estimation of useful lives of assets

The Society determines the estimated useful lives and related depreciation and amortisation charges for its property, plant and equipment. The depreciation and amortisation charge will increase where the useful lives are less than previously estimated.

(r) Goods and services tax

Revenue, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the taxation authority. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense. Receivables and payables are stated with the amount of GST included. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included as a current asset or liability in the statement of financial position.

Cash flows are included in the statement of cash flows on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO are classified as operating cash flows.

(s) Business combination

When the Society receives a bequest of more than 50% of the share capital of a company, the Society recognises an investment in a subsidiary company based on the fair value of the company's net assets. The Society's policy is to conduct an orderly realisation of the net assets of the subsidiary company or of the Society's share in it and to recognise any resulting gain or loss through the income statement. When a subsidiary company is held at balance date, consolidated accounts are prepared in which the underlying assets and liabilities of the subsidiary are recognised, together with a non-controlling interest proportionate to the shareholding of parties other than the Society.

4(a)	**Operating revenue**	**2024 $'000**	**2023 $'000**
	Donations	8,125	8,705
	Fundraising	7,541	7,101
	Animal service fees	5,038	5,133
	Sale of animals	1,569	1,740
	Profit on sale of property	1,185	2,980
	Sale of goods	817	1,178
	Rent	382	445
	Court fines and costs	312	417
	Royalty	56	38
	Membership subscriptions	21	4
	Other income	1,069	841
		26,115	**28,582**

4(b)	**Grants income**		
	Department of Planning and Environment - Companion Animal Welfare Grant	20,500	-
	NSW Dept of Primary Industries - Inspectorate Services Grants	-	2,924
	NSW Dept of Planning, Industry & Environment - Immediate Construction Capital Works Program	3,612	2,728
	NSW Environmental Trust - Keeping Cats Safe at Home Grant	889	608
	Dept of Primary Industries - Mobile Animal Care Services Grant	659	171
	NSW Dept of Premier & Cabinet - Community Building Partnerships Grant	-	437
	Non-Government grants	1,734	615
	Other grants	318	198
		27,712	**7,681**

Non-Government grants have increased in materiality and are now included in grants income; prior years sundry income.

5	**Net finance income**		
	Interest income	772	191
	Dividends	1,774	1,987
	Realised gains	1,033	541
	Finance income	**3,579**	**2,719**
	Portfolio management fees	(196)	(175)
	Finance expenses	**(196)**	**(175)**
	Net finance income	**3,383**	**2,544**

6 Operating expenses

	2024 $'000	2023 $'000
An analysis of the Society's operating expenses for the year is as follows:		
Salaries and wages expenses	40,840	34,475
Defined contribution superannuation plans	4,005	3,311
Administration expenses	10,034	7,688
Fundraising and donation expenses	7,750	5,369
Animal related expenses	6,268	5,552
Repairs and maintenance	1,346	1,156
Purchase of merchandise	573	425
Rent expenses	70	152
Other occupancy expenses	692	555
Depreciation of non - current assets	6,351	5,328
Depreciation of investment properties	100	200
Depreciation of right of use assets	34	34
Bad debts (recoveries)/expenses	(46)	37
Impairment of Katoomba shelter carrying value	1,511	-
Other expenses	1,725	1,604
	81,253	**65,886**

7 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash at bank and short - term deposits	5,652	15,601
Cash on hand	27	27
	5,679	**15,628**

8 Trade and other receivables

Trade receivables	1,949	923
Legacies receivable	1,687	1,937
Less: Allowance for doubtful debts	(382)	(431)
	3,254	**2,429**
Allowance for doubtful debts		
Opening balance	431	395
(Recoveries)/impairment losses on receivables	(49)	36
Closing balance	**382**	**431**

The average credit period on sale of goods is 30 days. No interest is charged on the overdue trade receivables. Allowances for doubtful debts are recognised against trade receivables based on the estimated irrecoverable amounts determined by reference to past default experience of the counterparty and an analysis of the counterparty's current financial position.

9	Inventories	2024 $'000	2023 $'000
	Finished goods	621	800

10	Other assets		
	Prepayments	726	287

11(a)	Financial assets		
	Current		
	Financial assets at amortised cost		
		74	15,533
		74	**15,533**
	Non-current		
	Equity instruments at FVOCI		
	Listed shares held at market value	48,262	47,650
	Unlisted trusts and shares at market value	822	760
		49,084	**48,410**

11(b)	Movements in investments		
	Current assets		
	Balance at beginning of financial year	15,533	7,160
	Transfer (to)/from cash and cash equivalents	(15,870)	15,500
	Transfer from/(to) non-current investments	411	(7,127)
	Balance at end of financial year	**74**	**15,533**
	Non-currents assets: listed and unlisted securities		
	Balance at beginning of financial year	48,410	44,770
	Dividends and interest reinvested	1,955	1,690
	Management fees	(196)	(175)
	Transfer (to) cash and cash equivalents	(4,046)	(7,963)
	Transfer (to)/from current investments	(411)	7,127
	In specie Legacy income received	181	532
	Realised gains	1,034	541
	Fair value adjustment at year-end	2,157	1,888
	Balance at end of financial year	**49,084**	**48,410**

12(a) Property, plant and equipment

In AUD '000	Capital works in progress	Land and Bulidings	Motor vehicles	Plant furniture and equipment	Computer Equipment	Total
Cost						
Balance as at 1 July 2023	**7,141**	**85,746**	**8,138**	**8,070**	**860**	**109,955**
Additions	5,753	1,391	7,109	604	155	15,012
Transfers	(4,766)	4,442	37	264	23	-
Disposals	-	(71)	(4,979)	(558)	(9)	(5,617)
Balance as at 30 June 2024	**8,128**	**91,508**	**10,305**	**8,380**	**1,029**	**119,350**
Accumulated depreciation and impairment losses						
Balance as at 1 July 2023	**-**	**(26,246)**	**(1,772)**	**(5,971)**	**(273)**	**(34,262)**
Depreciation for the year	-	(2,770)	(1,822)	(474)	(238)	(5,304)
Disposals	-	71	1,389	545	9	2,014
Impairment losses	(424)	-	-		-	(424)
Balance as at 30 June 2024	**(424)**	**(28,945)**	**(2,205)**	**(5,900)**	**(502)**	**(37,976)**
Carrying amount						
At 1 July 2023	7,141	59,500	6,366	2,099	587	75,693
At 30 June 2024	7,704	62,563	8,100	2,480	527	81,374

The impairment losses of $424,000 in capital works in progress are related to the Katoomba Shelter property.

12(b) Intangible Assets

In AUD '000	Software in Use	Total
Cost		
Balance as at 1 July 2023	**3,196**	**3,196**
Additions	478	478
Balance as at 30 June 2024	**3,674**	**3,674**
Accumulated depreciation		
Balance as at 1 July 2023	**(1,369)**	**(1,369)**
Depreciation for the year	(1,046)	(1,046)
Balance as at 30 June 2024	**(2,415)**	**(2,415)**
Carrying amount		
At 1 July 2023	1,827	1,827
At 30 June 2024	1,259	1,259

13	**Investment properties**	**2024**	**2023**
		$'000	**$'000**
	Cost		
	Balance as at 01 July	**18,085**	**14,512**
	Additions	7,900	7,778
	Transfer to assets held for sale	(6,050)	-
	Disposals	(2,690)	(4,205)
	Balance as at 30 June	**17,245**	**18,085**
	Accumulated Depreciation		
	Balance as at 01 July	**(857)**	**(852)**
	Depreciation for the year	(103)	(206)
	Disposals	48	201
	Balance as at 30 June	**(912)**	**(857)**
	Carrying amount		
	Balance as at 01 July	17,228	13,660
	Balance as at 30 June	16,333	17,228

14	**Assets held for sale**		
	Investment property	6,050	-
	Balance as at 30 June	**6,050**	**-**

The assets held for sale relate to properties bequeathed to the Society and approved for sale.

15	**Trade and other payables**		
	Trade payables	3,142	2,637
	Other payables and accruals	1,779	3,338
		4,921	**5,975**

16	**Deferred income**		
	Grant funding	3,626	28,186

17	**Provisions**		
	Other provisions - Current	4,198	1,902
	Employee benefits - Current	6,046	5,233
	Employee benefits - Non-current	631	404
		10,875	**7,539**

Included in other provisions for 2024 is $1,077,000 for the impairment of the Katoomba Shelter property. Also see Note 12(a) for impairment losses related to the Katoomba Shelter property.

18 Right-of-use and lease liability

Operating leases relate to leased land at Yagoona which is held on a peppercorn basis, together with sundry leases for equipment. These leases are for differing terms in accordance with the contractual agreements. The Society does not have an option to purchase the leased assets at the expiry of the lease periods. These leases are regarded as immaterial for the purpose of disclosure in accordance with AASB 16.

Information about other property leases accounted for in accordance with AASB 16 is presented below:

	2024	2023
(i) Right-of-use assets	**$'000**	**$'000**
Cost		
Balance as at 01 July	**92**	**325**
Additions	-	44
Disposals	-	(277)
Balance as at 30 June	**92**	**92**
Accumulated Depreciation		
Balance as at 01 July	**(58)**	**(262)**
Depreciation for the year	(34)	(72)
Disposals	-	277
Balance as at 30 June	**(92)**	**(58)**
Carrying amount		
Balance as at 01 July	34	62
Balance as at 30 June	-	34
(ii) Lease liability		
Current	-	38
	-	**38**
(iii) Amount recognised in profit or loss		
Interest on lease liabilities	-	1
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	34	72

19 Reserves

Reserves	7,569	5,412

Reserves are balances that relate to unrealised gains or (losses) on equity investments at FVOCI (see note 3(b)(iii)(b)).

20	**Capital and other commitments**	**2024**	**2023**
		$'000	**$'000**
	Capital expenditure commitments		
	Contracted but not provided for shelters	3,681	3,475

The Society is in the process of a multi-staged re-development. The capital commitments are contracted costs in relation to the re-development.

21 NSW Charitable Fundraising Act

The following additional information is provided in accordance with the requirements of the above Act.

(a) *Fundraising appeals*

Staff, members, volunteers and branches have conducted various fundraising appeals during the year. Details of aggregate gross income and total expenses of fundraising appeals, as disclosed in these financial statements were as follows:

	2024	**2023**
	$'000	**$'000**
Gross proceeds from the fundraising appeals		
RSPCA NSW Fundraising		
Donations	8,075	8,634
Fundraising	7,450	7,020
RSPCA NSW Volunteer Branches		
Donations	50	71
Fundraising	91	81
Gross proceeds from fundraising appeals	**15,666**	**15,806**
Cost of fundraising appeals		
RSPCA NSW Fundraising	(7,720)	(5,330)
RSPCA NSW Volunteer Branches	(30)	(39)
Total costs of fundraising appeals	**(7,750)**	**(5,369)**
Net surplus obtained from fundraising	**7,916**	**10,437**

Costs of fundraising appeals noted above includes amongst other things, costs for events and communications with supporters of the Society who may ultimately bequeath assets to the Society. Income from fundraising appeals does not include assets bequeathed by supporters. Legacies and Bequests income is not deemed a fundraising appeal pursuant to the Charitable Fundraising Act. Accordingly, in assessing the return on costs of fundraising appeals, regard should be made to the bequest and legacy income also generated from these activities.

21 NSW Charitable Fundraising Act (continued)

(b) Fundraising appeals conducted during the financial period comprised of appeals, raffles, stalls and social functions.

(c) Statement showing how funds received were applied to charitable purposes

	2024	2023
	$'000	$'000
Net surplus from fundraising appeals	**7,916**	**10,437**
Net surplus was applied to the charitable purpose in the following manner:		
Inspectorate, Contact Centre & Legal Costs	(1,309)	(7,101)
Animal Shelters, Transportation & Behaviour	(20,837)	(19,010)
Veterinary Clinic Services	(6,569)	(6,779)
Community Programmes & Engagement	(6,278)	(5,339)
Bushfire recovery	(174)	(221)
Indirect Costs	(4,405)	(5,164)
Branches	(86)	(347)
	(39,658)	**(43,961)**
Shortfall	**(31,742)**	**(33,524)**

22 Related parties

(a) Transactions with key management personnel (KMP)

(i) *KMP and Directors compensation*

During the financial year the Society has not compensated or agreed to compensate any Director of the Society.

The KMP compensation was $1,058,175 for the financial year ended 30 June 2024 (2023: $992,016). In addition post employment benefits (superannuation contributions) amounted to $107,746 for the financial year ended 30 June 2024 (2023: $97,348).

No termination benefits/entitlements were paid to the KMP in the year (2023: nil).

There are no contractual termination benefits in respect of any employee.

(ii) *KMP and Director transactions*

The Society may engage the services of Directors to provide their professional services at arm's length rates of remuneration. No services were provided during the finanicial year ended 30 June 2024.

No amount was owed to any Director as at 30 June 2024 (2023: nil).

Transactions between the Society and its KMP arising in the ordinary course of business have been conducted on an arm's length basis.

22 Related parties (continued)

(b) Branches

Albury
Bathurst
Blue Mountains
Broken Hill Supporter Group
Central West Supporter Group
Eurobodalla
Glen Innes Supporter Group
Goulburn Supporter Group
Gunnedah
Illawarra
Inverell
Kempsey
New England Supporter Group
Orange
Port Macquarie
Snowy Monaro Supporter Group
Sydney Auxiliary
Tamworth
Taree Supporter Group
Tenterfield
Tweed Op-Shop
Ulladulla
Wagga Wagga

23 Contingent liabilities

In the ordinary course of operations, the Society receives claims against it which may involve litigation. Where the outcome is probable and can be reasonably quantified, provision is made in these financial statements.

24 Subsequent events

The Society sold the Katoomba Shelter to the Blue Mountains City Council for a nominal sum on 5 July 2024. The writedown of the Katoomba Shelter property is disclosed in Note 12(a) and Note 17.

Other than the matters discussed above, there has not arisen in the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report any item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature likely, in the opinion of the directors of the Group, to affect significantly the operations of the Group, the result of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Group, in future financial years.

25 Parent entity financial information

The Society is the parent entity and has ownership and control of the following entities:

Name	% Owned	Principal Activity
Hansons Properties Pty Ltd (ABN 67 000 382 721)	100%	Commercial Property Investment
RSPCA NSW Software Pty Ltd (ABN 95 674 030 347)	100%	Commercialisation of Software

The following information below are the financial results of the parent entity alone:

Result of parent entity	**2024**	**2023**
	$'000	**$'000**
Surplus/(deficit) for the financial year	6,744	(302)
Other comprehensive income	2,157	1,888
Total comprehensive income for the financial year	**8,901**	**1,586**
Financial position of the parent entity at period end		
Current assets	16,274	34,565
Non-current assets	149,399	144,538
Total assets	**165,673**	**179,103**
Current liabilities	20,201	42,760
Non-current liabilities	631	404
Total liabilities	**20,832**	**43,164**
Total equity of the parent entity		
Revaluation reserve	7,569	5,411
Accumulated funds	137,272	130,528
Total equity	**144,841**	**135,939**

26 Remuneration of auditors

Audit services	83	81
Assurance and other services	22	13
Total remuneration	**105**	**94**

27 Classification changes

Certain comparative amounts in the consolidated statement of profit and loss and other comprehensive income and the consolidated statement of financial position have been re-presented as follows:

- testamentary trusts being reclassified as legacies and bequests from operating revenue (see note 3(f)(ii));
- non-government grants being reclassified as grants income from operating revenue (see note 4(b)); and
- other payables and accruals of $1,902,000 (2023) related to a range of estimated employee, legal and supplier future obligations being reclassified as provisions as their nature is better aligned with this accounting classification (see notes 15 and 17).

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales

Directors' declaration

In the opinion of the directors of The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales ('the Society'),

(a) the Society is not publicly accountable;

(b) the consolidated financial statements and notes that are set out on pages 10 to 30 are in accordance with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012, including:

  (i) giving a true and fair view of the Society's financial position as at 30 June 2024 and of its performance, for the financial year ended on that date;

  (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosure and the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2022; and

(c) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Society will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors:

Dr Peter Wright
President

Mr Stewart Thompson
Treasurer

Dated at Sydney this 27th day of September 2024

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales

Declaration by Executive Officer in accordance with the Charitable Fundraising Act (NSW) 1991

For the year ended 30 June 2024

I, Peter Wright, President of The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales, state that in my opinion:

(a) the consolidated financial report gives a true and fair view of all income and expenditure of The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales with respect to fundraising appeal activities for the financial year ended 30 June 2024;

(b) the consolidated statement of financial position gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs with respect to fundraising appeal activities as at 30 June 2024;

(c) the provisions of the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 and Regulations and the conditions attached to the authority have been complied with for the financial year ended 30 June 2024; and

(d) the internal controls exercised by The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales are appropriate and effective in accounting for all income received and applied from any fundraising appeals.

Dr Peter Wright
President

Dated at Sydney this 27th day of September 2024

Independent Auditor's Report

To the members of The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals - New South Wales

Report on the audit of the Financial Report

Opinion

We have audited the ***Financial Report***, of the The Royal Society Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales (the Society) and its controlled entities (the "***Group***").

In our opinion the accompanying Financial Report of the ***Group*** is in accordance with Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC) Act 2012,* and sections 23(1)(d) and 24B of the *Charitable Fundraising Act (NSW) 1991* including:

- giving a true and fair view of the ***Group's*** financial position as at 30 June 2024, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year ended on that date; and
- complying with *Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures Framework* and Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulations 2022 (ACNCR) and section 21 of the Charitable Fundraising Regulation (NSW) 2021.*

The ***Financial Report*** comprises:

I. Consolidated statement of financial position as at 30 June 2024.

II. Consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, Consolidated statement of changes in equity, and Consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended.

III. Notes including material accounting policies.

IV. Directors' declaration of the Society.

V. Declaration by the President of the Society.

The ***Group*** consists of Society and the entities it controlled at the year-end or from time to time during the financial year.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report section of our report.

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We are independent of the Group in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *ACNC Act 2012* and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the Financial Report in Australia. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

Other information

Other Information is financial and non-financial information in Society's annual report which is provided in addition to the Financial Report and the Auditor's Report. The Directors are responsible for the Other Information.

The Other Information we obtained prior to the date of this Auditor's Report was the Director's Report.

Our opinion on the Financial Report does not cover the Other Information and, accordingly, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the Financial Report, our responsibility is to read the Other Information. In doing so, we consider whether the Other Information is materially inconsistent with the Financial Report or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

We are required to report if we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this Other Information, and based on the work we have performed on the Other Information that we obtained prior to the date of this Auditor's Report we have nothing to report.

Responsibilities of the Directors for the Financial Report

The Directors are responsible for:

I. Preparing the Financial Report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures Framework and the ACNC and ACNCR and sections 23(1)(d) and 24B of the *Charitable Fundraising Act (NSW) 1991* and section 21 of the *Charitable Fundraising Regulation (NSW) 2021*

II. Implementing necessary internal control to enable the preparation of a Financial Report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

III. Assessing the Group's ability to continue as a going concern and whether the use of the going concern basis of accounting is appropriate. This includes disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate the Group or to cease operations or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report

Our objective is:

i. to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Financial Report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; and

ii. to issue an Auditor's Report that includes our opinion.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with *Australian Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error. They 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 this Financial Report.

As part of an audit in accordance with *Australian Auditing Standards*, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit.

We also:

i. Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the Financial Report, 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.

ii. 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 registered Group's internal control.

iii. Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Directors.

iv. 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 registered Group and Society'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 Report 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 registered Group and Society to cease to continue as a going concern.

v. Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the Financial Report, including the disclosures, and whether the Financial Report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Directors of the Group 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.

KPMG

Patrice Scott

Partner

Sydney

27 September 2024

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales

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The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales

Director's Report

For the financial year ended 30 June 2025

The Directors present their report together with the financial report of The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales (the Society) for the financial year ended 30 June 2025 and the auditor's report thereon. In order to comply with the provisions of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012, the Directors report as follows:

1 Directors

The Directors of the Society at any time during or since the end of the financial year are:

	Appointed	Resigned
Mr Peter O'Callaghan, President	27 February 2023	
Mr Mark Steele SC, Vice President	16 July 2021	
Mr Stewart Thompson, Treasurer	8 June 2022	
Mr Graham Hall, Director	19 April 1984	
Dr Ian Roth, Director	25 March 2017	
Mr Donald Robinson, Director	30 October 2014	
Dr Peter Wright, Director	22 January 2002	
Ms Mia Steele, Director	27 July 2020	
Ms Margaret Gaal, Director	30 November 2020	
Ms Heidi Reid, Director	24 March 2025	
Ms Sarah Cruickshank, Director	3 August 2010	24 March 2025

Name and responsibilities	Qualifications, experience and other directorships
Mr P O'Callaghan *President* *Director*	Mr O'Callaghan has over 35 years' experience in risk management across not-for-profit and government sectors. Mr O'Callaghan serves on the Audit and Risk Committee and Governance Committee. He also holds several board roles across the aged care and healthcare sectors. Mr O'Callaghan has been a Director for 6 years and President since 2024.
Mr M Steele SC *Vice President* *Director*	Mr Steele is a Senior Counsel and barrister practising in corporate and employment law. He holds law degrees from the University of Melbourne and Oxford University and is currently undertaking a PhD in law. Before his legal career, he worked as an investment banker in London, New York and Sydney. Mr Steele is a long-time supporter of the RSPCA and chairs the Governance Committee, is a member of the Animal Welfare Policy Committee, and a Director of RSPCA Australia.

1 Directors (continued)

Name and responsibilities	Qualifications, experience and other directorship
Mr S Thompson *Treasurer* *Director*	Mr Thompson is a Partner at Hall Chadwick with over 30 years of experience in chartered accounting. He specialises in audit and assurance for corporate and not for profit clients. As Treasurer, he chairs the Risk, Audit & Finance Committee and focuses on the organisation's financial sustainability.
Mr G Hall *Director*	A Life Member of RSPCA NSW and Board Member since 1984, Mr Hall is a primary producer based near Young, NSW. He breeds Shorthorn cattle and brings decades of hands on animal welfare experience to the Board.
Dr I Roth *Director*	Dr Roth is a retired veterinarian who worked with the NSW Department of Primary Industries for 40 years, primarily in biosecurity and animal welfare. He was the Chief Veterinary Officer for NSW until his retirement in 2015 and was awarded a Public Service Medal for his service. Dr Roth chairs the Board's Animal Welfare Policy Committee.
Mr D Robinson *Director*	Mr Robinson served in the NSW Police before becoming Chief Inspector and later Branches and Properties Manager at RSPCA NSW. Now retired to a farm in Grenfell, he continues to contribute as a member of the Animal Welfare Policy Committee and brings operational insight to the Board.
Dr P Wright *Director*	Dr Wright is a veterinarian who runs his own practice in Goulburn, NSW, treating domestic pets, livestock, wildlife and exotic species. He has a long standing involvement with animal care groups including WIRES and has worked closely with RSPCA inspectors in his region. Dr. Wright was appointed as President in 2002 and served in the role for over 20 years. He stepped down as President in FY25 and continues to serve as a Director and as a member of the Nominations Committee.

1 Directors (continued)

Name and responsibilities	Qualifications, experience and other directorship
Ms M Steele *Director*	A life member and long time supporter of RSPCA NSW, Ms Steele holds a Master of Laws from Oxford University and has over 30 years of volunteer experience. She supports the Education Team and fundraising efforts, and is the Chair of the Nominations Committee.
Ms M Gaal *Director*	Ms Gaal joined RSPCA NSW in 1981 and is currently President of the Bathurst Branch. A life member, she founded the CAWS Program in NSW and Tahiti and has served on various NSW Government committees. She brings decades of local government and community engagement experience. Ms Gaal serves on the Animal Welfare Policy Committee.
Ms Heidi Reid *Director*	Ms Reid is a strategic policy and program management expert with over 20 years' experience in member-based organisations. Ms Reid holds a Master of International Affairs (ANU), Bachelor of Business (Accounting) and Bachelor of Medical Science (UTS). She has held senior roles in national agricultural bodies, leading major policy and advocacy efforts. Her deep knowledge of livestock production comes from hands on experience on her family’s NSW farms. She began her career in financial auditing in Sydney and London, building a strong analytical foundation for her work in the agricultural sector.
Ms S Cruickshank *Director*	Ms Cruickshank has spent more than twelve years in Senior Executive roles within both the Commonwealth and NSW Governments. Before joining the Australian Public Service in 2012, she spent ten years as part of a global public relations agency, the last five years of which she was Managing Director of one of its Australian-based companies. Throughout her life, she has been the proud owner of multiple shelter cats and dogs and is passionate about protecting the interests of vulnerable animals in our society. Ms Cruickshank was a member of the Board’s Governance Committee. Ms S Cruickshank resigned on 24 March 2025.

1 Directors (continued)

Name and responsibilities	Qualifications, experience and other directorship
Mr S Coleman *Company Secretary, CEO*	Mr Coleman has been with RSPCA NSW since 1991 and has held a range of leadership roles including Inspector, Chief Inspector, Deputy CEO and CEO. He holds a Graduate Diploma in Investigations Management, an MBA and is a graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors. He leads a team of 500 staff and 1,500 volunteers, and has strong experience across stakeholder engagement, governance and strategic development.

2 Director's meetings

The number of Director's meetings and number of meetings attended by each of the Directors of the Society during the financial year are:

Director	Board meetings	
	Attended	Entitled
Mr Peter O'Callaghan, President,Director	9	9
Mr Mark Steele SC, Vice President, Director	9	9
Mr Stewart Thompson, Treasurer	8	9
Mr Graham Hall, Director	8	9
Dr Ian Roth, Director	9	9
Mr Donald Robinson, Director	8	9
Dr Peter Wright, Director	8	9
Ms Mia Steele, Director	8	9
Ms Margaret Gaal, Director	9	9
Ms Heidi Reid, Director	2	2
Ms Sarah Cruickshank, Director	6	7
Mr Steve Coleman (Company Secretary, CEO)	9	9

3 Principal activities, objectives and strategies

The principal activity of the Society in the course of the financial year was the prevention of cruelty to animals through the activities of the inspectorate and the operation of shelters, clinics, the fostering and adoption of animals and the support of people in need in the care of their animals and the provision of veterinary services.

There were no significant changes in the nature of the activities of the Society during the financial year.

3 Principal activities, objectives and strategies (continued)

Short-term objectives and strategies

- Improve animal welfare outcomes for animals in the Society's care;
- Exceed the expectations of supporters in the care and protection of animals;
- Assist with animal care and protection during natural disasters;
- Provide a safe and happy work environment for staff and volunteers;
- Increase income to support the Society's activities; and
- Maintain vigilance in the control of costs.

Long-term objectives and strategies

- Grow our volunteer network;
- Continue focus on cruelty prevention;
- Educate the community on the importance of animal welfare;
- Continuously invest in fundraising;
- Invest in rehoming and reduction in length of stay strategies; and
- Partner with government, local councils and industry for the betterment of animals.

Measures of performance

The financial and operational performance of the Society is monitored by reference to appropriate measures on a monthly basis.

4 Membership liability

The Society is a public company limited by guarantee. There is no liability of any member under the guarantee should the Society be wound up.

5 NSW Charitable Fundraising Act Compliance

The Society has complied with the regulations and provisions under the NSW Charitable Fundraising Act.

6 Subsequent events and likely developments

There has not arisen in the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report any item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature likely, in the opinion of the directors of the Group, to affect significantly the operations of the Group, the result of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Group, in future financial years.

7 Indemnification and insurance of officers and auditors

Indemnification

Since the end of the previous financial year, the Society has not indemnified or made a relevant agreement for indemnifying against a liability any person who is or has been an officer or auditor of the Society.

Insurance premiums

During the financial year, the Society paid a premium in respect of a contract insuring the directors of the Society, the company secretary and all executive officers of the company and of any related body corporate against a liability incurred as such a director, secretary or executive officer to the extent permitted by the Corporations Act 2001. The contract of insurance prohibits disclosure of the nature of the liability and the amount of the premium.

8 Lead auditor's independence declaration

The Lead auditor's independence declaration is set out on page 9 and forms part of the Director's report for the financial year ended 30 June 2025.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of the Directors:

Mr Peter O'Callaghan
President

Mr Stewart Thompson
Treasurer

Dated at Sydney this 26th day of September 2025

Auditor's Independence Declaration under subdivision 60-C section 60-40 of Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012

To the Directors of The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New Soth Wales

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, in relation to the audit for the financial year ended 30 June 2025 there have been:

i. no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 in relation to the audit; and

ii. no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

KPMG

Patrice Scott

Partner

Sydney

26 September 2025

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The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales

Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income

For the financial year ended 30 June 2025

In AUD '000	***Note***	**2025**	**2024**
Operating revenue	*4(a)*	23,647	26,115
Operating expenses	*6*	(80,029)	(81,253)
(Deficit) before legacies and grants		**(56,382)**	**(55,138)**
Legacies and bequests		31,532	30,876
Grants income	*4(b)*	17,921	27,712
(Deficit)/surplus before finance income		**(6,929)**	**3,450**
Finance income		9,534	3,579
Finance expenses		(166)	(196)
Net financing income	*5*	**9,368**	**3,383**
Surplus before income tax expense		**2,439**	**6,833**
Income tax expense		(32)	(27)
Surplus for the financial year		**2,407**	**6,806**
Other comprehensive income			
Net (decrease)/increase on equity investments at FVTOCI		(5,599)	2,157
Total comprehensive income for the financial year		**(3,192)**	**8,963**

The notes on pages 14-28 are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

For the financial year ended 30 June 2025

In AUD '000	***Note***	**2025**	**2024**
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	*7*	7,143	5,679
Trade and other receivables	*8*	10,401	3,254
Inventories	*9*	683	621
Other assets	*10*	650	726
Financial assets	*11*	7,161	74
Assets held for sale	*14*	-	6,050
Total current assets		**26,038**	**16,404**
Financial assets	*11*	35,725	49,084
Property, plant and equipment	*12(a)*	86,143	81,374
Intangible assets	*12(b)*	1,239	1,259
Investment properties	*13*	14,327	16,333
Total non-current assets		**137,434**	**148,050**
Total assets		**163,472**	**164,454**
Liabilities			
Trade and other payables	*15*	4,359	4,921
Provisions	*17*	10,789	10,244
Deferred income	*16*	5,767	3,626
Total current liabilities		**20,915**	**18,791**
Provisions	*17*	717	631
Total non-current liabilities		**717**	**631**
Total liabilities		**21,632**	**19,422**
Net assets		**141,840**	**145,032**
Accumulated funds and reserves			
Accumulated funds		139,870	137,463
Reserves	*18*	1,970	7,569
Total accumulated funds and reserves		**141,840**	**145,032**

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The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales

Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

For the financial year ended 30 June 2025

In AUD '000	Revaluation reserve	Accumulated funds	Total
Balance as at 1st July 2023	**5,412**	**130,657**	**136,069**
Surplus for the year	-	6,806	6,806
Net increase on equity investments at FVTOCI	2,157	-	2,157
Total comprehensive income for the financial year	**2,157**	**6,806**	**8,963**
Balance as at 30th June 2024	**7,569**	**137,463**	**145,032**
Balance as at 1st July 2024	**7,569**	**137,463**	**145,032**
Surplus for the year	-	2,407	2,407
Realisation of investment gains	(7,199)	-	(7,199)
Net increase on equity investments at FVTOCI (new portfolio)	1,600	-	1,600
Total comprehensive income for the financial year	**(5,599)**	**2,407**	**(3,192)**
Balance as at 30th June 2025	**1,970**	**139,870**	**141,840**

The notes on pages 14-28 are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

For the financial year ended 30 June 2025

In AUD '000	**2025**	**2024**
Cash flows from operating activities		
Cash receipts from members and customers	14,804	15,364
Cash payments (to) suppliers and employees	(73,489)	(71,381)
Donations received	8,649	8,125
Legacies received[1]	32,163	23,046
Grants	11,561	3,153
Net cash (used in) operating activities	**(6,312)**	**(21,693)**
Cash flows from investing activities		
Capital Grants - Department of Regional NSW - Westinvest	4,550	-
Interest receipts	261	772
Dividends	2,206	1,774
Reinvestment of interest and dividends receipts	(2,029)	(1,955)
Rent received	610	382
Proceeds from sale of investment property	1,685	2,650
Proceeds from sale of property plant and equipment	6,559	3,695
Payments for property plant and equipment and intangible assets	(17,091)	(15,490)
Proceeds from realisation of investments - Operation shortfall	11,025	19,916
Proceeds from realisation of investments	40,385	-
Payments for investments	(40,385)	-
Net cash from investing activities	**7,776**	**11,744**
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	**5,679**	**15,628**
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	1,464	(9,949)
Cash and cash equivalents at the of the financial year	**7,143**	**5,679**

1. The Group receives Legacy income in both cash and non-cash forms. Non-cash bequests may include properties, financial investments, companies and other assets. There may also be a difference in the timing of the receipt of cash compared to the recognition of the bequeathed income.

The notes on pages 14-28 are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

1 Reporting entity

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales (the "Society") is a public company limited by guarantee. The Society is domiciled in Australia. The address of the Society's registered office is 201 Rookwood Road, Yagoona NSW 2199. The Society is registered under the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012.

These consolidated financial statements include the underlying assets and liabilities of the subsidiary companies as disclosed in Note 24. The financial statements are as at and for the financial year ended 30 June 2025.

2 Basis of preparation

(a) Statement of preparation

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standard 1060 - Simplified Disclosures adopted by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) and the requirements of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012.

The financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 26th September 2025.

(b) Basis of measurement

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for equity securities at fair value through other comprehensive income (OCI) which are measured at fair value determined by reference to their quoted closing exit bid price at the reporting date.

(c) Functional and presentation currency

These consolidated financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is the Society's functional currency. Figures are presented in round thousand dollars unless otherwise stated.

(d) Use of estimates and judgements

The preparation of consolidated financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised and in any future periods affected.

Details of the specific judgement, estimates and assumptions that have the most significant effects on the amounts recognised in the consolidated financial statements are summarised in Note 3(q).

(e) New and amended standards adopted by the Society

A number of new or amended accounting standards became effective from 1 July 2024, however, they do not have a material effect on the Society's financial statements

(f) Change in classification

The Society reviews the adequacy and effectiveness of reporting classifications from time to time. Material reclassifications are adjusted where appropriate and identified in the notes to the accounts. Prior year figures are adjusted to conform to the classifications used in the current year.

3 Material accounting policies

Unless otherwise stated, the accounting policies set out below have been applied consistently to all periods presented in these consolidated financial statements.

(a) Branch accounts

The consolidated financial statements comprise the accounts of the Society, its Subsidiaries and all its Branches. The consolidated financial statements are inclusive of Branch balances at balance date and transactions during the year, after elimination of balances and transactions between Branches and Head Office. A listing of branches is disclosed in note 21(b).

(b) Financial instruments

(i) Recognition and derecognition

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Society becomes a party to the contractual provisions of a financial instrument.

Financial assets are derecognised when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire, or when the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards are transferred.

A financial liability is derecognised when it is extinguished, discharged, cancelled or expires.

(ii) Classification and measurement of financial assets

Financial assets are classified according to their business model and the characteristics of their contractual cash flows. Except for those receivables that do not contain a significant financing component and are measured at the transaction price, all financial assets are initially measured at fair value adjusted for transactions costs (where applicable).

(iii) Subsequent measurement of financial assets

Financial assets are not reclassified subsequent to their initial recognition unless the Society changes its business model for managing financial assets, in which case all affected financial assets are reclassified on the first day of the first reporting period following the change in the business model.

For the purpose of subsequent measurement, financial assets, other than those designated and effective as hedging instruments, are classified into the following four categories:

- Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL)
- Financial assets at amortised cost ((see (a) below));
- Debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVTOCI); and
- Equity instruments at FVTOCI ((see (b) below))

The accounting policy is set out below:

(a) Financial assets at amortised cost

Financial assets with contractual cash flows representing solely payments of principal and interest and held within a business model of 'hold to collect' contractual cash flows are accounted for at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Financial assets at amortised costs comprise of cash and cash equivalents, term deposits and trade and other receivables.

(b) Equity investments at FVTOCI

These assets are subsequently measured at fair value. Dividends are recognised as income in profit or loss unless the dividend clearly represents a recovery of part of the cost of the investment. Other net gains and losses are recognised in OCI and are never reclassified to profit or loss.

3 Material accounting policies

(b) Financial instruments (continued)

(iii) Subsequent measurement of financial assets (continued)

(b) Equity investments at FVTOCI (continued)

Equity investments at FVTOCI are investments in listed and unlisted shares and investments in trusts.

All income and expenses relating to financial assets that are recognised in profit or loss are presented within finance income and finance expenses, except for impairment of trade receivables which is presented within operating expenses.

(c) Property, plant and equipment

(i) Recognition and measurement

Items of property, plant and equipment are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset.

If significant parts of an item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, they are accounted for as separate items (major components) of property, plant and equipment.

Any gain or loss on disposal of an item of property, plant and equipment is recognised in profit or loss.

Assets held for sale are classified as held for sale if it is highly probable that they will be recovered primarily through sale rather than through continuing use. Assets held for sale are valued at the lower of their carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell. Once classified as held for sale, the assets are no longer depreciated.

(ii) Subsequent expenditure

Subsequent expenditure is capitalised only when it is probable that the future economic benefits associated with the expenditure will flow to the Society.

(iii) Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost of property, plant and equipment less their estimated residual values using the straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives, and is generally recognised in profit or loss. Leased assets are depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and their useful lives unless it is reasonably certain that the Society will obtain ownership by the end of the lease term. Land is not depreciated.

The estimated useful lives for the current and comparative year are as follows:

- Buildings 10 - 40 years, or lease term
- Animal shelters 20 - 50 years, or lease term
- Motor vehicles 5 years
- Plant, furniture and equipment 3 - 10 years
- Intangible assets 4 years

Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values are reviewed at each reporting date and adjusted if appropriate.

(iv) Capital works in progress

Capital works in progress represents expenditure on unfinished capital projects.

(d) Intangible

Intangible assets are software in use measured at cost, less accumulated depreciation based on a useful life of 4 years.

3 Material accounting policies

(e) Leases

At inception of a contract, the Society assesses whether a contract is, or contains, a lease. A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration.

Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability comprise the following:

- fixed payments, including in-substance fixed payments;
- variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, initially measured using the index or rate as at the commencement date; and
- lease payments in an optional renewal period if the Society is reasonably certain to exercise an extension option, and penalties for early termination of a lease unless the Society is reasonably certain not to terminate early.

Short-term leases and leases of low-value assets

The Society has elected not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for leases of low-value assets or peppercorn leases and short-term leases, including IT equipment. The Society recognises the lease payments associated with these leases as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

(f) Revenue

(i) Revenue recognition policy from Revenue from Contracts with Customers (AASB15)

Revenue is recognised at an amount that reflects the consideration for transferring goods or services to a customer.

The timing of the payment of sale of goods and rendering of services generally corresponds to the timing of satisfaction of the performance obligations. Where there is a difference in timing, a receivable, contract asset or contract liability is recognised.

None of the revenue streams of the Society has any significant financing terms as there is less than 12 months between receipt of funds and satisfaction of performance obligations.

Sale of goods

Revenue from sales of goods comprises revenue earned from the sale of goods purchased for resale and gifts donated for resale. Sales revenue is recognised when the control of goods passes to the customer which is at the time that the goods are physically transferred.

Rendering of services

The Society is involved in the provision of veterinary services and related services. The Society recognises revenue from rendering of services when the services are performed.

3 Material accounting policies

(f) Revenue (continued)

(ii) Revenue recognition policy for revenue streams which are either not enforceable or do not have sufficiently specific performance obligations (AASB 1058)

Grant income

Assets arising from grants in the scope of AASB 1058 are recognised at their fair value when the asset is received. These assets are generally cash but may be property which has been donated or sold to the Society below its fair value.

Capital grants

Capital grants received under an enforceable agreement to enable the Society to acquire or construct an item of property, plant and equipment to identified specifications for its use are recognised as revenue as and when the obligation to purchase or construct is met.

Legacies

Legacies are recognised when received or when the Society has been notified of an impending and unconditional entitlement.

Revenue from legacies comprising shares or other property are recognised at fair value, being the market value of the shares or property at the date the Society becomes legally entitled to the shares or property.

(g) Fundraising Activities

NSW Charitable Fundraising Act 1991

The Fundraising Regulation prescribe the manner in which fundraising appeals are conducted, controlled and reported in NSW.

Donations:

Donations and Fundraising are recognised as revenue when received by the Society. As specified in the Act, unsolicited donations, members' donations and legacies are not treated as fundraising income when determining information required under the Act.

Costs of fundraising:

Costs used in Note 20 include all direct fundraising costs. Indirect costs such as the time spent by accounting or office staff administering appeals, cost apportionment of rent, light and power, and insurance have been excluded from Note 20.

(h) Deferred income

Deferred income represents the unspent grants or other fees received on the condition that specified services are delivered or conditions are fulfilled. The services are usually provided or the conditions usually fulfilled within twelve months of receipts of the grant. Where the amount received is in respect of services to be provided over a period that exceeds twelve months after reporting date then the liability is disclosed as non-current. The Society realises grant income upon fulfillment of specific obligations in line with the requirements of AASB 1058.

3 Material accounting policies

(i) Finance income and expenses

Finance income comprises interest income on funds invested, realised gains or losses, dividend income and distributions that are recognised in profit or loss. Interest income is recognised as it accrues, using the effective interest method. Dividends and distributions are recognised as income when received.

Finance expenses comprise interest expense on borrowings, management fees and impairment losses recognised on financial assets that are recognised in profit or loss. All borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss using the effective interest method.

(j) Income tax

The Society is an income tax exempt charity endorsed by the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). Its subsidary company, Hansons Properties Pty Ltd, is liable for income tax.

(k) Inventories

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value. The cost of inventories is based on the first-in, first-out principle.

(l) Investment property

Investment properties are held to earn rent and/or generate capital appreciation. Where such property is acquired by legacy, investment properties are measured initially at deemed cost being fair value as per note 13, including transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, investment properties are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment loss.

Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost of investment property less their estimated residual values using the straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives, and is generally recognised in profit or loss. For the buildings, a useful life of 20 years is used in the calculation of depreciation.

(m) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts.

(n) Trade and other receivables

Trade receivables, which comprise amounts due from sales of merchandise and services provided to the public and unconditional amounts owed for work performed under grant agreements are recognised and carried at original invoice amount less an allowance for any uncollectible amounts.

(o) Trade and other payables

Trade payables are recognised for amounts to be paid in the future for goods or services received. Trade accounts payable are normally settled within 30 to 60 days.

(p) Employee benefits

A provision is made for the Society's liability for all accrued employee benefits (annual leave and long service leave) as at balance date, together with an allowance for on-costs.

The provision is treated as a current liability, except in respect of long service leave which has not vested and will not vest in the next financial year.

3 Material accounting policies

(q) Use of estimates and judgements

The judgements, estimates and assumptions that have the most significant effects on the amounts recognised in the consolidated financial statements are summarised below.

Allowance for expected credit losses

The allowance for doubtful debts is determined by a review of the receivables ledger to assess the likelihood of collecting individual debts, based on all available information.

Estimation of useful lives of assets

The Society determines the estimated useful lives and related depreciation and amortisation charges for its property, plant and equipment. The depreciation and amortisation charge will increase where the useful lives are less than previously estimated.

(r) Goods and services tax

Revenue, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the taxation authority. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense. Receivables and payables are stated with the amount of GST included. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included as a current asset or liability in the statement of financial position.

Cash flows are included in the statement of cash flows on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO are classified as operating cash flows.

(s) Business combination

When the Society receives a bequest of more than 50% of the share capital of a company, the Society recognises an investment in a subsidiary company based on the fair value of the company's net assets. The Society's policy is to conduct an orderly realisation of the net assets of the subsidiary company or of the Society's share in it and to recognise any resulting gain or loss through the income statement. When a subsidiary company is held at balance date, consolidated accounts are prepared in which the underlying assets and liabilities of the subsidiary are recognised, together with a non-controlling interest proportionate to the shareholding of parties other than the Society.

4(a)	**Operating revenue**	**2025**	**2024**
		$'000	**$'000**
	Donations	8,649	8,125
	Fundraising	5,685	7,541
	Animal service fees	4,803	5,038
	Sale of animals	1,596	1,569
	Profit on sale of property	390	1,185
	Sale of goods	830	817
	Rent	610	382
	Court fines and costs	270	312
	Royalty	50	56
	Membership subscriptions	5	21
	Other income	759	1,069
		23,647	**26,115**

4(b)	**Grants income**		
	Department of Primary Industries & Regional Development - FY24/25 POCTAA Enforcement Grant	11,376	-
	Department of Planning and Environment - Companion Animal Welfare Grant	-	20,500
	Department of Regional NSW - Westinvest - RSPCA NSW Community Outreach	4,550	-
	NSW Dept of Planning, Industry & Environment - Immediate Construction Capital Works Program	983	3,612
	NSW Environmental Trust - Keeping Cats Safe at Home Grant	527	889
	Dept of Primary Industries - Mobile Animal Care Services Grant	-	659
	Non - Government grants	368	1,734
	Other grants	117	318
		17,921	**27,712**

5	**Net finance income**		
	Interest income	261	772
	Dividends	2,206	1,774
	Realised gain through disposal	7,199	-
	Realised (loss)/gain through trading	(132)	1,033
	Finance income	**9,534**	**3,579**
	Portfolio management fees	(166)	(196)
	Finance expenses	**(166)**	**(196)**
	Net finance income	**9,368**	**3,383**

6 Operating expenses

	2025 $'000	2024 $'000
An analysis of the Society's operating expenses for the year is as follows:		
Salaries and wages expenses	44,042	40,914
Defined contribution superannuation plans	4,501	4,005
Animal related expenses	6,300	6,277
Fundraising and donation expenses	4,450	8,388
Depreciation of non-current assets	6,335	6,351
Depreciation of investment properties	141	100
Administration expenses	6,791	6,097
Occupancy expenses	2,189	2,415
Motor vehicle expenses	1,674	1,576
Repairs and maintenance	1,314	1,346
Purchase of merchandise	436	573
Rent expenses	72	70
Impairment of Katoomba shelter carrying value	-	1,511
Other expenses	1,784	1,630
	80,029	**81,253**

The Society periodically reviews the adequacy and effectiveness of its reporting classifications. As part of this review, adjustments were made to Note 6 in FY25. The analysis has been prepared in accordance with the principles outlined in Note 2(f).

7 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash at bank and short-term deposits	7,116	5,652
Cash on hand	27	27
	7,143	**5,679**

8 Trade and other receivables

Trade receivables - Other	746	1,949
Trade receivables - Grants	4,347	-
Legacies receivable	5,685	1,687
Less: Allowance for doubtful debts	(377)	(382)
	10,401	**3,254**
Allowance for doubtful debts		
Opening balance	382	431
(Recoveries) on receivables	(5)	(49)
Closing balance	**377**	**382**

The average credit period on sale of goods is 30 days. No interest is charged on the overdue trade receivables. Allowances for doubtful debts are recognised against trade receivables based on the estimated irrecoverable amounts determined by reference to past default experience of the counterparty and an analysis of the counterparty's current financial position.

		2025	2024
		$'000	$'000
9	**Inventories**		
	Finished goods	683	621
10	**Other assets**		
	Prepayments	650	726
11(a)	**Financial assets**		
	Current		
	Financial assets at amortised cost		
		7,161	74
		7,161	**74**
	Non-current		
	Equity instruments at FVTOCI		
	Listed shares held at market value	34,806	48,262
	Unlisted trusts and shares at market value	919	822
		35,725	**49,084**
11(b)	**Movements in investments**		
	Current assets		
	Balance at beginning of financial year	74	15,533
	Transfer (to) cash and cash equivalents	-	(15,870)
	Transfer from non-current investments	7,087	411
	Balance at end of financial year	**7,161**	**74**
	Non-currents assets: listed and unlisted securities		
	Balance at beginning of financial year	49,084	48,410
	Dividends, interest and trust distribution reinvested	2,033	1,955
	Management fees	(166)	(196)
	Transfer (to) cash and cash equivalents	(11,025)	(4,046)
	Transfer (to) current investments	(7,087)	(411)
	In specie Legacy income received	1,418	181
	Realised gains from financial asset sales	7,199	-
	Realised (loss)/gain through trading	(132)	1,034
	Fair value adjustment at year-end	(5,599)	2,157
	Balance at end of financial year	**35,725**	**49,084**

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Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

For the financial year ended 30 Jun 2025

12(a) Property, plant and equipment

In AUD '000	Capital works in progress	Land and Bulidings	Motor vehicles	Plant furniture and equipment	Computer Equipment	Total
Cost						
Balance as at 01 July 2024	**8,128**	**91,508**	**10,305**	**8,380**	**1,029**	**119,350**
Additions	2,303	6,839	6,327	740	98	16,307
Transfers	(4,796)	4,401	1	394	-	-
Disposals	-	(2,080)	(6,730)	(128)	-	(8,938)
Balance as at 30 June 2025	**5,635**	**100,668**	**9,903**	**9,386**	**1,127**	**126,719**
Accumulated depreciation						
Balance as at 01 July 2024	**(424)**	**(28,945)**	**(2,205)**	**(5,900)**	**(502)**	**(37,976)**
Depreciation for the year	-	(2,820)	(1,889)	(527)	(260)	(5,496)
Disposals	-	1,003	1,767	126	-	2,896
Balance as at 30 June 2025	**(424)**	**(30,762)**	**(2,327)**	**(6,301)**	**(762)**	**(40,576)**
Carrying amount						
At 01 July 2024	7,704	62,563	8,100	2,480	527	81,374
At 30 June 2025	5,211	69,906	7,576	3,085	365	86,143

12(b) Intangible Assets

In AUD '000	Software in Use	Total
Cost		
Balance as at 01 July 2024	**3,674**	**3,674**
Additions	784	784
Balance as at 30 June 2025	**4,458**	**4,458**
Accumulated depreciation		
Balance as at 01 July 2024	**(2,415)**	**(2,415)**
Depreciation for the year	(804)	(804)
Balance as at 30 June 2025	**(3,219)**	**(3,219)**
Carrying amount		
At 01 July 2024	1,259	1,259
At 30 June 2025	1,239	1,239

13	**Investment properties**	**2025**	**2024**
		$'000	**$'000**
	Cost		
	Balance as at 01 July	**17,245**	**18,085**
	Additions	2	7,900
	Transfer to assets held for sale	-	(6,050)
	Disposals	(1,900)	(2,690)
	Balance as at 30 June	**15,347**	**17,245**
	Accumulated Depreciation		
	Balance as at 01 July	**(912)**	**(857)**
	Depreciation for the year	(143)	(103)
	Disposals	35	48
	Balance as at 30 June	**(1,020)**	**(912)**
	Carrying amount		
	Balance as at 01 July	16,333	17,228
	Balance as at 30 June	14,327	16,333
14	**Assets held for sale**		
	Investment property	-	6,050
	Balance as at 30 June	**-**	**6,050**
15	**Trade and other payables**		
	Trade payables	2,282	3,142
	Other payables and accruals	2,077	1,779
		4,359	**4,921**
16	**Deferred income**		
	Grant funding	5,767	3,626
17	**Provisions**		
	Other provisions - Current	4,026	4,198
	Employee benefits - Current	6,763	6,046
	Employee benefits - Non-current	717	631
		11,506	**10,875**
18	**Reserves**		
	Reserves	1,970	7,569

Reserves are balances that relate to unrealised gains or (losses) on equity investments at FVOCI (see note 3(b)(iii)(b)).

19	**Capital and other commitments**	**2025**	**2024**
		$'000	**$'000**
	Capital expenditure commitments		
	Contracted but not provided for - shelters and clinics	4,276	3,681

The Society is undertaking a number of projects with commitments related to grant funding requirements and construction contracts.

20 NSW Charitable Fundraising Act

The following information is provided in accordance with the requirements of the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 (NSW).

(a) *Fundraising appeals*

Fundraising conducted during the financial period comprised of appeals, raffles, stalls and social functions run by staff, members, volunteers and branches during the year.

The costs of the fundraising appeals includes costs for events, communications with supporters of the Society and other partner and supplier costs. Legacies and bequests income is not deemed a fundraising appeal pursuant to the Charitable Fundraising Act and is therefore excluded from the table below. However, in assessing the return on costs of fundraising appeals, regard should be made to the future legacy and bequest income that may be donated indirectly as a result of these activities.

Details of the aggregate gross income and total expenses of fundraising appeals, as disclosed in these financial statements were as follows:

	2025	**2024**
	$'000	**$'000**
Gross proceeds from the fundraising appeals		
RSPCA NSW Fundraising		
Donations	8,591	8,075
Fundraising	5,603	7,450
RSPCA NSW Volunteer Branches		
Donations	58	50
Fundraising	82	91
Gross proceeds from fundraising appeals	**14,334**	**15,666**
Cost of fundraising appeals		
RSPCA NSW Fundraising	(4,426)	(7,720)
RSPCA NSW Volunteer Branches	(24)	(30)
Total costs of fundraising appeals	**(4,450)**	**(7,750)**
Net surplus obtained from fundraising	**9,884**	**7,916**

(b) The statement below details how funds received were applied to charitable purposes

	9,884	**7,916**
Net surplus from fundraising appeals		
Net surplus was applied to the charitable purpose in the following manner:		
Inspectorate, Contact Centre & Legal Costs	(8,414)	(1,309)
Animal Shelters, Transportation & Behaviour	(21,207)	(20,837)
Veterinary Clinic Services	(7,181)	(6,569)
Community Programmes & Engagement	(7,278)	(6,278)
Bushfire recovery	(145)	(174)
Indirect Costs	(8,896)	(7,541)
Branches	(129)	(86)
	(53,250)	**(42,794)**
Shortfall	**(43,366)**	**(34,878)**

21 Related parties

(a) Transactions with key management personnel (KMP)

(i) *KMP and Directors compensation*

During the financial year the Society has not compensated or agreed to compensate any Director of the Society.

The KMP compensation was $1,249,765 for the financial year ended 30 June 2025 (2024: $1,152,024). In addition post employment benefits (superannuation contributions) amounted to $115,584 for the financial year ended 30 June 2025 (2024: $107,745).

No termination benefits/entitlements were paid to the KMP in the year (2024: nil).

There are no contractual termination benefits in respect of any employee.

(ii) *KMP and Director transactions*

The Society may engage the services of Directors to provide their professional services at arm's length rates of remuneration. During the finanicial year ended 30 June 2025:

The Society paid $12,000 to Wyndarra Consulting for services provided by Mr Peter O'Callaghan, President of the Society, who is the Director of Wyndarra Consulting.

The Society incurred expenses of $23,619 for veterinary services supplied by the practice of Dr Peter Wright, a Director of the Society.

No amount was owed to any Director as at 30 June 2025 (2024: nil).

Transactions between the Society and its KMP arising in the ordinary course of business have been conducted on an arm's length basis.

(b) Branches

Albury
Bathurst
Broken Hill Supporter Group
Central West Supporter Group
Eurobodalla
Glen Innes Supporter Group
Goulburn Supporter Group
Gunnedah
Illawarra
Inverell
Kempsey
New England Supporter Group
Orange
Port Macquarie
Snowy Monaro Supporter Group
Sydney Auxiliary
Tamworth
Taree Supporter Group
Tenterfield
Tweed Op-Shop
Ulladulla
Wagga Wagga

22 Contingent liabilities

In the ordinary course of operations, the Society receives claims against it which may involve litigation. Where the outcome is probable and can be reasonably quantified, provision is made in these financial statements.

23 Subsequent events

There has not arisen in the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report any item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature likely, in the opinion of the directors of the Society, to affect significantly the operations of the Society, the result of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Society, in future financial years.

24 Parent entity financial information

The Society is the parent entity and has ownership and control of the following entities:

Name	% Owned	Principal Activity
Hansons Properties Pty Ltd (ABN 67 000 382 721)	100%	Commercial Property Investment
RSPCA NSW Software Pty Ltd (ABN 95 674 030 347)	100%	Commercialisation of Software

The following information below are the financial results of the parent entity alone:

Result of parent entity	**2025**	**2024**
	$'000	**$'000**
Surplus for the financial year	2,956	6,744
Other comprehensive income	(5,599)	2,157
Total comprehensive income for the financial year	**(2,643)**	**8,901**
Financial position of the parent entity at period end		
Current assets	25,819	16,274
Non-current assets	137,690	149,399
Total assets	**163,509**	**165,673**
Current liabilities	20,594	20,201
Non-current liabilities	717	631
Total liabilities	**21,311**	**20,832**
Total equity of the parent entity		
Reserve	1,970	7,569
Accumulated funds	140,228	137,272
Total equity	**142,198**	**144,841**

25 Remuneration of auditors

Audit services	102	83
Assurance and other services	13	22
Total remuneration	**115**	**105**

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales

Directors' declaration

In the opinion of the directors of The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales ('the Society')

(a) the Society is not publicly accountable;

(b) the consolidated financial statements and notes that are set out on pages 10 to 28 are in accordance with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012, including:

  (i) giving a true and fair view of the Society's financial position as at 30 June 2025 and of its performance, for the financial year ended on that date;

  (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosure and the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2022; and

(c) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Society will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors:

Mr Peter O'Callaghan
President

Mr Stewart Thompson
Treasurer

Dated at Sydney this 26th day of September 2025

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales

Declaration by Executive Officer in accordance with the Charitable Fundraising Act (NSW) 1991

For the year ended 30 June 2025

I, Peter O'Callaghan, President of The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales, state that in my opinion:

(a) the consolidated financial report gives a true and fair view of all income and expenditure of The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales with respect to fundraising appeal activities for the financial year ended 30 June 2025;

(b) the consolidated statement of financial position gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs with respect to fundraising appeal activities as at 30 June 2025;

(c) the provisions of the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 and Regulations and the conditions attached to the authority have been complied with for the financial year ended 30 June 2025; and

(d) the internal controls exercised by The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales are appropriate and effective in accounting for all income received and applied from any fundraising appeals.

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Mr Peter O'Callaghan
President

Dated at Sydney this 26th day of September 2025

Independent Auditor's Report

To the members of The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales

Opinion

We have audited the ***Financial Report***, of The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales (the Society) and its controlled entities (the "***Group***").

In our opinion the accompanying Financial Report of the ***Group*** is in accordance with Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC) Act 2012*, and sections 23(1)(d) and 24B of the *Charitable Fundraising Act (NSW) 1991* including:

i. giving a true and fair view of the ***Group***'s financial position as at 30 June 2025, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year ended on that date; and

ii. complying with *Australian Accounting Standards– Simplified Disclosures Framework* and Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulations 2022 (ACNCR)* and section 21 of the *Charitable Fundraising Regulation (NSW) 2021*.

The ***Financial Report*** comprises:

i. Consolidated statement of financial position as at 30 June 2025.

ii. Consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, Consolidated statement of changes in equity, and Consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended.

iii. Notes, including material accounting policies.

iv. Directors' declaration of the Society.

v. Declaration by the President of the Society.

The ***Group*** consists of The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals New South Wales and the entities it controlled at the year end or from time to time during the financial year.

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Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with *Australian Auditing Standards*. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report* section of our report.

We are independent of the Group in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *ACNC Act 2012* and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the Financial Report in Australia. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

We confirm that the independence declaration required by the *Corporations Act 2001*, which has been given to the Directors of the Society, would be in the same terms if given to the Directors as at the time of this Auditor's Report.

Other information

Other Information is financial and non-financial information in Society's annual report which is provided in addition to the Financial Report and the Auditor's Report. The Directors are responsible for the Other Information.

Our opinion on the Financial Report does not cover the Other Information and, accordingly, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the Financial Report, our responsibility is to read the Other Information. In doing so, we consider whether the Other Information is materially inconsistent with the Financial Report or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

We are required to report if we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this Other Information, and based on the work we have performed on the Other Information that we obtained prior to the date of this Auditor's Report we have nothing to report.

Responsibilities of the Directors for the Financial Report

The Directors are responsible for:

i. Preparing the Financial Report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures Framework and the ACNC and ACNCR and sections 23(1)(d) and 24B of the *Charitable Fundraising Act (NSW) 1991* and section 21 of the *Charitable Fundraising Regulation (NSW) 2021*

ii. Implementing necessary internal control to enable the preparation of a Financial Report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

iii. Assessing the Group's ability to continue as a going concern and whether the use of the going concern basis of accounting is appropriate. This includes disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate the Group and Society or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report[1]

Our objective is:

i. to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Financial Report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; and

ii. to issue an Auditor's Report that includes our opinion.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with *Australian Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error. They 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 this Financial Report.

As part of an audit in accordance with *Australian Auditing Standards*, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit.

We also:

i. Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the Financial Report, 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.

ii. 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 registered Group's internal control.

iii. Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Directors.

iv. 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 registered Group and Society'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 Report 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 registered Group and Society to cease to continue as a going concern.

v. Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the Financial Report, including the disclosures, and whether the Financial Report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

vi. Plan and perform the group audit to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business units within the Group as a basis for forming an opinion on the group financial report. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and review of the audit work performed for the purposes of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with the Directors of the Group 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.

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Patrice Scott

Partner

Sydney

29 September 2025