



Governance of Dog Rescues: Addressing Post-Pandemic Challenges in a Period of Austerity

Do you volunteer for a dog rehoming organisation or charity in any part of the UK or Ireland?

Has your organisation been impacted by Covid 19 and/or the cost of living crisis?

Do you have an opinion on the challenges faced by the sector and whether it needs better regulation?

If so, we would like to hear your views....

Participation will involve a short interview (at a location of your choice or online).
All participants will be kept anonymous.

**To find out more and receive an information sheet, please email
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The Kennel Club in conjunction with the University of Liverpool invite you, as a Kennel Club breed specific rescue, to the Kennel Club London Office on June 27th 2023 (10.30-3.30pm) to discuss regulation of dog rescues. This research is led by Marie Fox and Sarah Singh, who are legal academics based at the University of Liverpool currently conducting research into the regulation of animal rescue organisations across the UK. As trustees of North West English Springer Spaniel Rescue, Marie and Sarah know that the pandemic and subsequent cost of living crisis continue to hit rescues hard and has exposed vulnerabilities in the sector, and especially for smaller rescues. They are very aware that bigger national rescues tend to dominate discussions around regulation and are eager to hear the views of breed specific rescues about the prospect of regulation of the rescue sector.

The day will be structured as a mix of short presentations and semi-structured smaller group discussions for which some materials/indicative questions will be provided in advance of the event. Primarily we are keen to hear your experiences and have your views on the challenges facing dog rescue.

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AIMS OF TODAY'S WORKSHOP

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- To listen and record the views of animal welfare experts;
- To identify the impact of Covid-19 and any associated risks on research, particularly in understanding zoonotic diseases due to the lack of regulation and common ways of labelling livestock in the sector (particularly through welfare labeling together to support the welfare of our great practice etc.);
- To evaluate the role of regulation (particularly a licensing regime) in protecting animal welfare;
- To gauge enthusiasm for regulation of the sector with any perceived barriers/opportunities regarding this;
- To undertake an early assessment of existing regulation in terms of how well it is fit for purpose and what could be improved on.

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