



## **Corona (COVID-19) Statement to the general public 19 March 2020**

The trustees are issuing the following update for the general public.

As the country continues to implement measures to tackle this pandemic, we have made a number of difficult decisions to ensure we can continue to operate the stray kennel facility. This means we have to implement the following changes:



### **Kennels new operating arrangements**

The kennels will **CLOSE to the public** for the foreseeable future. This will come into effect on SATURDAY 21 MARCH 2020.

We will continue to receive strays but we will NOT be able to accommodate members of the public coming to visit. You will still be able to come to the kennels to bring in a stray dog or to reclaim your dog, however you must remain in the reception area. All other areas will be closed.

**We have plenty of food, toys and bedding at this time for the dogs in our care and we will continue to ensure they continue to have a safe environment and all the attention we can. Please do not bring any further donations to the kennels at this time.**

Sadly we will not be accepting ANY handovers or applications to rehome unclaimed dogs until further notice. This is because we must protect kennel space for stray dogs, and we are unable to complete home checks.

The on-site pet shop will also be CLOSED from 21 MARCH 2020 until further notice.

There will be no microchipping services on a Wednesday until further notice.

### **Out of hours**

There are NO planned changes to the current arrangements.

We are sure you will understand our reasons for these decisions in this uncertain climate. We truly hope these restrictions will be for the minimal time possible and we will continue to provide further updates when we can.

Can we also take this opportunity on behalf of all the trustees, staff and volunteers to say a huge thanks to everyone living in Wirral and supporters from further afield you all for your continuing support.