Dogs Trust, the UK’s largest dog welfare charity, has been caring for dogs in need for 125 years. Founded in 1891 (formerly known as the National Canine Defence League) we have always campaigned on dog welfare related issues; our mission – to bring about the day when all dogs can enjoy a happy life, free from the threat of unnecessary destruction – is always at the heart of our work.

Adrian Burder
Dogs Trust Chief Executive

Hope Project
We have provided veterinary care for more than 6,500 dogs whose owners are homeless or in housing crisis since our Hope Project Veterinary Scheme began in 2003.

Freedom Project
We have fostered 1,494 pets, enabling 1,113 people to flee domestic abuse since the Freedom Project began in 2004.

Dog School
Dog school will help 10,000 dogs and their owners prevent and overcome training and behavioural problems in 2017.

Education
Our expanding education programme has reached 210,000 children by delivering 7,200 school workshops in 2016.

International
Dogs Trust has supported 61 organisations in 42 countries in 2016. Dogs Trust International is aiming to eradicate rabies in India and Malawi by 2020. We work with Mission Rabies and since 2013 have vaccinated around 378,000 dogs.

Rehoming
As the UK’s largest dog welfare charity we care for around 17,000 dogs every year at our 20 rehoming centres across the UK, and one in Dublin. We never destroy a healthy dog in our care.

Microchipping
We have microchipped more than 1 million dogs since launching our campaign in 1999.

Neutering
We have neutered more than 800,000 dogs since our campaign launched in 1999.

Puppy Smuggling
Dogs Trust has taken around 300 puppies into its care through its landmark quarantine initiative, launched in December 2015. It aims to disrupt the trade in illegally imported puppies by providing care and support for puppies seized at the British border by enforcement agencies.