#### **FUNDRAISING**

Join the fund-raising team – reporting to our Fundraising Coordinator **STATIC COLLECTING BOXES** – Keep accurate records of the location of boxes in your area. Increase the number of boxes sited in the area. Empty RSPCA collection boxes on a regular basis, issue receipts, and bank the money received. **MERCHANDISING** - Order and maintain stock. Research suitable venues for events, stalls, dog shows etc. for selling opportunities.

**EVENTS** – Involves all sorts of events, the list is endless: Dog Shows, Sponsored walks, jumble and car boot sales, coffee mornings etc. etc. **STREET COLLECTION ORGANISER** - Involves obtaining the necessary permits. Organising volunteers, helping with the collection, counting and banking the money afterwards.

#### **SPONSORSHIP**

The branch pays for boarding of animals brought in by RSPCA Inspectors at a cost of approximately £3,650 per year for a dog and £2,000 per year for a cat. Individuals, groups or companies can sponsor an apartment from £5 per month (individuals) £20 per month (groups/ companies) or an annual donation from £60 (individuals) £240 (groups/companies). Or support our work by donating any amount email for more details on where to send a cheque or how to donate food and other equipment to help local animals.

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

TO CONTACT THE BRANCH: Tel: 07954 122 481 (answerphone)

IN AN EMERGENCY OR IF YOU WISH TO REPORT CRUELTY TO AN ANIMAL — Please contact the RSPCA's advice and cruelty line on 0300 1234 999

**STRAY DOGS** – The RSPCA does not collect stray dogs. Please call your local Dog Warden: Tameside – 0161 342 8355 (office hrs) 0161 770 2222 (4pm-8am and weekends) & Glossop – 0345 129 4870 between 8am - 6pm. Monday to Friday.

**INJURED STRAY ANIMALS** – The police (Greater Manchester Police Force Instructions) may call on the services of a veterinary surgeon. If you find an animal, which is injured, please telephone the police in the first instance.

VETERINARY SURGEONS PRACTISING IN THIS AREA CAN BE FOUND IN THE YELLOW PAGES – Ask them if they participate in the RSPCA's assisted neutering and treatment schemes.

If you would like to offer a caring home please phone 07954 122 481 to make an appointment: Or Email – office@rspca-tameside-glossop.org.uk



# Tameside & Glossop Branch

(We receive no state aid and depend on voluntary contributions and bequests)

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#### R.S.P.C.A. TAMESIDE & GLOSSOP BRANCH

#### WHO ARE WE?

The Tameside and Glossop Branch of the RSPCA, in common with all local branches is separate and independent from the parent charity, ie the National RSPCA. The easiest way to understand this structure is to think of it in terms of a Franchise.

There are over 160 Branches of the RSPCA and every Branch is slightly different from its neighbours. They operate their own animal welfare programmes, which run "in tandem" with the National Society.

Each branch raises its own funds and manages its own affairs. The Tameside and Glossop Branch is run entirely by volunteers.

#### WHAT DO WE DO?

The branch raises money to re-home animals brought in by RSPCA Inspectors and to operate a scheme which helps people on means tested benefits to afford the veterinary treatment which their animals may require.

Re-Homing Inspector Generated Animals - The Branch does not take unwanted animals from the public. We do pay for the boarding of animals brought in by our local RSPCA Inspectors, which may have been the subject of a cruelty case. We rehome these previously ill-treated animals to caring new owners whose suitability has been assessed by one of our team of volunteer home visitors

**Assisted Treatment** - Tameside residents are advised to contact the Greater Manchester Animal Hospital (GMAH) in the first instance (0300 123 0711) open consultations (no appointment needed): 7.30am – 4pm weekdays, or to ask their local veterinary surgeon if they operate the scheme. They must take along some proof that they are in receipt of benefit when they visit the surgery. Help is given in the form of a voucher – usually £35.

Assisted Neutering - Our assisted neutering scheme is operated to help reduce the number of unwanted animals in the area. (See above for details) With the help and generosity of local veterinary surgeons we offer people on means tested benefit the opportunity to have their animal neutered at reduced cost. Help is given in the form of a neutering voucher. - £35 for dogs and for cats £20 for males and £25 for females

## How can you help?



Simply by sending a donation to the branch (see next page for how to do this) or by donating your time for one of the following activities:

**HOME VISITORS** – Home Visiting Volunteers are responsible to the Home Visiting Co-ordinator. They visit the prospective animal adopters in their own homes to ensure suitability. They need a calm confident manner, to be able to get along with people and to have some knowledge of caring for animals.

### **FOSTERERS FOR YOUNG ANIMALS (usually puppies and/or kittens)**

The branch urgently needs dedicated animal carers who are prepared to foster very young animals or older animals, which are recovering from veterinary treatment or those not thriving in kennels prior to adoption. This will not involve any personal expense but will probably entail a few sleepless nights. Help and support from our rehoming coordinator is always available and a local veterinary surgeon would be happy to train you in rearing young puppies or kittens.

**DRIVERS** - We need people (25 and over) with their own vehicles who would be prepared to transport sick or injured animals to veterinary surgeons, to fosterers or to boarding facilities? Would you be able to deliver food and basic animal care equipment from wholesalers or branch storage to fosterers?