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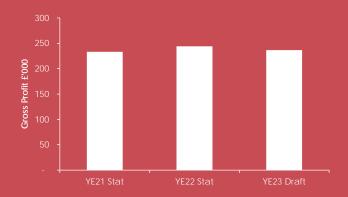
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### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY 8

### **OVERVIEW**

- **1.1.** Vaughan Ventures Limited t/a No More Kennels is a luxury hotel, spa, and resort for dogs in Warrington.
- **1.2.** Henceforth, Vaughan Ventures Limited t/a No More Kennels will be referred to as 'No More Kennels' or 'the Company'.
- **1.3.** The Company has demonstrated success and popularity, as evidenced by its media and press coverage, and volume of positive client testimonials and feedback.

### **HISTORY AND OWNERSHIP**

- **1.4.** No More Kennels was incorporated in 2018, quickly establishing itself in its sector and building lasting relationships with clients.
- **1.5.** The managing director and sole shareholder, Rebeckah Vaughan, is offering the business for sale to facilitate lifestyle changes.
- **1.6.** She is willing to provide a three-month handover period to ensure that the Company has a smooth transition into new ownership.





### **SERVICES**

- **1.7.** No More Kennels provides a range of services for dogs, including:
  - **Boarding**
  - Day care
  - Grooming
  - Pet taxi
  - Wedding chaperone service
- **1.8.** The business prides itself on its high-quality and reliable services that provide the utmost in care and professionalism.
- **1.9.** The Company is a member of the Association of Dog Boarders.

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY 8



### **CLIENTS AND MARKETING**

- **1.10.** No More Kennels benefits from 4,883 active clients, of whom 70% provide repeat business.
- **1.11.** The consistently high standard of service provided by the Company has enabled it to receive a volume of bookings; No More Kennels was fully booked in YE23.
- **1.12.** The business facilitates the promotion of its services through an engaging and informative website, receiving a high volume of web enquiries and word-of-mouth referrals.
- **1.13.** No More Kennels has a presence on several social media sites with a substantial following.

### **MANAGEMENT AND PERSONNEL**

- **1.14.** The Company is operated by the managing director, Rebeckah Vaughan, who is supported by two self-employed assistant managers, a training manager, and two canine supervisors.
- **1.15.** The team also comprises 27 self-employed dog handlers.

### **LOCATION AND FACILITIES**

- **1.16.** No More Kennels operates from two premises in Warrington, both of which are utilised as the luxury hotel
- **1.17.** The circa  $5.820 \text{ft}^2$  premises consist of two leasehold units rented for a combined £12,000 per annum.
- **1.18.** The Company has another  $675\text{ft}^2$  leasehold property rented for £7,800 per annum.

### **GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES**

- **1.19.** The business has successfully established itself in the sector, with its unique service offering and excellent reputation providing an ideal platform from which to facilitate further expansion
- **1.20.** There is significant scope for the Company to increase the amount of kennels it has in its hotel premises in order to cater for more dogs and meet demand.

### HISTORY AND OWNERSHIP C



### **OVERVIEW**

**2.1.** The timeline below demonstrates the key milestones in No More Kennels' history:

### 2015

Our client increased their home boarding capacity from 5 to 70 dogs in commercial premises.



2017

The business was acquired by the current owner.



### 2018

No More Kennels was incorporated.



### 2019

The Company increased its licence from 70 dogs per day to 90 to accommodate growth.



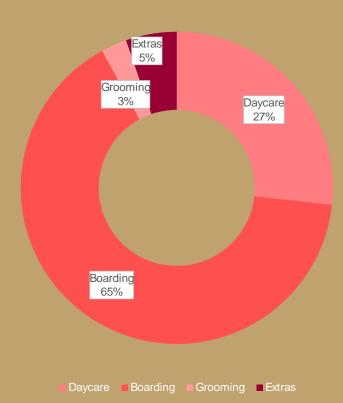
- 2.2. After building up the business for a number of years, the director and sole shareholder, Rebeckah Vaughan, is offering the Company for sale to facilitate lifestyle changes.
- **2.3.** She is willing to provide a three-month handover period to ensure that No More Kennels has a smooth transition into new ownership.



# SERVICES 8

### **OVERVIEW**

- 3.1. No More Kennels is a luxury dog hotel, spa, and resort in Warrington.
- **3.2.** The Company provides a range of services for dogs in its premises including:
  - Cage-free dog boarding
  - Day care
  - 🀾 Dog grooming
  - Pet taxi
  - 🐾 Wedding chaperone service
- 3.3. The Company is a member of the Association of Dog Boarders.
- 3.4. No More Kennels prides itself on its strong reputation and high-quality services, resulting in a wealth of repeat bookings,; the business was fully booked for the entirety of 2023.
- 3.5. The pie chart below outlines the Company's main services and their income in the last financial year (YE23).





- **3.6.** The hotel provides the highest level of luxury for pets, including:
  - A varied menu to suit the most exquisite tastes
  - Daily exercise and play time
  - 🐾 Webcam access
  - 🝢 Luxury rooms fitted with furniture, décor, and a TV
- **3.7.** The Company's professional team ensures every dog is looked after throughout the day and night.
- **3.8.** The business provides the utmost care and professionalism, going the extra mile to make sure its dogs are happy and well looked after.



### SERVICES 8

### **DAY CARE**

- **3.9.** The day care operates from 7am-6:45pm and provides the dogs with areas to play, snuggle, explore, and rest with other dogs, as well as snacks and fresh water throughout the day.
- **3.10.** The hotel is split into separate areas to ensure that there is never too many dogs in one space, with plenty of constant supervision, love, and attention.
- **3.11.** The premises include:
  - Chill-out zone
  - Secure outdoor play area
  - lndoor agility area
  - Pool and sprinklers for the summer months
- **3.12.** The Company allows clients to book a bedroom in the main part of the hotel (if available) for the same price for frail dogs.
- **3.13.** The business only accepts social dogs and supervises them constantly so that there is no risk of injury or being a victim of rough play or bullying.
- **3.14.** The Company accepts dogs from II-weeks-old or once they are fully vaccinated.
- **3.15.** No More Kennels' overnight boarding operates from 6pm–7am.





### **DOG GROOMING**

- **3.16.** The Company provides dog grooming services. These are listed below:
  - Puppy's first groom
  - Puppy package
  - Nail clipping / polish
  - Wash and blow dry
  - Dry brush
  - De-shedding with optional bath
  - Facial fold cleaning
  - Ear cleaning
  - Tear-stain facial
  - Pawdicure
  - Self-service dog wash
- **3.17.** The business also offers specialist dog grooming for dogs with behavioural problems.

### **DOG TRAINING**

- **3.18.** No More Kennels offers dog-training by its qualified team of handlers. These classes include:
  - One-to-one training
  - Residential training at No More Kennels
  - Puppy classes



### SERVICES 8

### **PET TAXI**

- **3.19.** The business provides a pet taxi service, priced at £2.50 per mile, with a £7 surcharge for trips under five miles.
- **3.20.** No More Kennels offers a collection and drop-off service for dogs. Pets are transported in a fully fitted van with secure cages, ensuring maximum safety throughout the journey.
- **3.21.** The taxi has air conditioning, heating, and windows for comfort
- **3.22.** The Company's taxi service helps with home relocation, and can take pets to and from the vets, grooming parlour, or hotel.



### WEDDING CHAPERONE

- **3.23.** The Company provides a wedding chaperone service, which enables clients to drop their pet off at No More Kennels' luxury dog hotel.
- **3.24.** On the wedding day, the business takes dogs to the spa for a wash and blow dry. They receive a spritz of pawfume and are dressed up in a bow tie or outfit of choice.
- **3.25.** The dog will arrive at the wedding chauffeured in the Company's Porsche, which is dedicated to this service
- **3.26.** One of the business's dog handlers will spend the day with the dog, ensuring they are taken care of, as well as providing treats and getting them positioned for photographs.
- **3.27.** After the ceremony, the dog is chauffeured back to the



- **3.28.** No More Kennels offers a puppy sitting service tailored for new litters born into busy families. This includes a home service or home boarding service, taking care of the mum and her puppies. The minimum period for this service is seven days, including all vet visits, feeds, advice, education, health checks, environment checks, and equipment required for safe whelping.
- **3.29.** The Company also provides a nurturing experience for small dogs at Pawberry Fields, an exclusive day care facility on a quiet farm in Up Holland, Lancashire.

### CLIENTS AND AWARDS C

### **OVERVIEW**

- 4.1. No More Kennels has a substantial base of 4,883 active clients, of whom 70% provide repeat business, supplying the Company with a reliable stream of revenue.
- 4.2. The consistently high standard of service provided by the Company has enabled it to build and maintain strong relationships with its clients, resulting in a wealth of repeat bookings.
- **4.3.** The table below demonstrates the business's top clients in the last financial year.

CLIENT	SERVICE PURCHASED	SALES (YE23)	LENGTH OF RELATIONSHIP
Α	Boarding	£6,409	4 years
В	Boarding	£5,227	3 years
С	Boarding and day care	£5,006	3 years
D	Daycare	£4,878	4 years
E	Boarding and day care	£4,412	6 years
F	Day care	£4,357	3 years
G	Day care	£4,149	5 years
н	Day care	£3,793	6 years
1	Boarding and day care	£1,855	7 years
J	Boarding	£1,302	5 years

### **AWARDS**

- **4.4.** No More Kennels has won a number of awards and recognitions. These are listed below:
  - Best Luxury Dog Hotel 2021 North West England at the LUXlife Pet Products and Services Awards.
  - Best Luxury Dog Day care Cheshire 2021, at the SME News Northern Enterprise Awards.
  - Most Luxurious Dog Boarding Facility 2020 at the LUXlife Pet Products and Services Awards.
  - UK Enterprise Award at the SME News Awards



# MARKETING AND PUBLICATIONS &

### **MARKETING**

- **5.1.** No More Kennels uses online advertising, public relations (PR) strategy, and media coverage to promote the business.
- **5.2.** The Company has a strong reputation and benefits from a continual stream of business through web enquiries, word of mouth and referrals
- **5.3.** No More Kennels has a presence on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and X (formerly known as Twitter), with a substantial following on each.
- 5.4. The business holds a number of positive customer testimonials on its website and Facebook. The Company averages 4.7 stars on Google.
- **5.5.** The Company has a website, which includes further detail about its services, links to its publications, and contact information. The website can be found at the address below:

### www.nomorekennels.co.uk

### **PUBLICATIONS**

- **5.6.** No More Kennels has featured in a number of press and publications. These have included:
  - 🐾 Warrington Guardian
  - The Mirror
  - iNews
  - 🐾 The Guide Liverpool
  - 🏪 Echo
  - CheshireLive
  - 🐾 His & Hers Magazine
  - Dog Life360
  - 🛰 Vimec
  - Barnsley & Rotherham Chamber of Commerce
  - Secret Manchester
  - 🐾 Cheshire Life







# MANAGEMENT AND PERSONNEL &

### **OVERVIEW**

- **6.1.** No More Kennels is operated by the managing director, Rebeckah Vaughan, who has a wealth of experience in the sector and a number of qualifications.
- **6.2.** She is supported by two self-employed assistant managers, a self-employed training manager, and two self-employed canine supervisors.
- **6.3.** The Company also utilises 27 self-employed dog handlers, who have provided services for between three and seven years for the business.
- **6.4.** An organisational chart outlining the key management and employees can be viewed below:







### LOCATION AND FACILITIES 8



### **OVERVIEW**

- 7.1. No More Kennels operates from leasehold premises in

### **Unit 10 and 11 Riverside Trading Estate** Warrington **WA5 2UL**

- property, comprising a Bungalow which is rented for
- towards Preston.







puppy of seven months old) had never been to kennels before and I was rather worried about leaving them. I didn't need to be. The staff fact that you can view the CCTV is really reassuring, and it showed just how amazing all the staff are. A huge thank you to all the staff."

### GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES Control



### **OVERVIEW**

- **8.1.** The strength of No More Kennels' excellent reputation, award-winning services, and online presence offer an ideal platform for further progression.
- **8.2.** The business provides a fantastic opportunity for synergistic organisations, such as dog retreats and day care centres, to integrate the Company's specialist services, loyal client base, and established brand name into their own portfolio.

#### PIPELINE OF FUTURE WORK

- **8.3.** The Company plans to open and launch an on-site doggy café, as well as undertaking a refurbishment of its rooms and play areas.
- **8.4.** Our client indicates that there is £314,178 worth of bookings in place for 2024, and £17,150 for 2025.



### **BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT**

- **8.5.** With a larger workforce of dog handlers in place, the Company would be well positioned to manage a larger volume of work without compromising its consistently high standard of service.
- **8.6.** No More Kennels could convert the unused play areas into additional kennels to accommodate more dogs, generating further revenue.
- **8.7.** Our client advises that the bungalow could be used as a permanent residence, or be used as a doggy café with seating on the canal.



### **MARKETING**

- **8.8.** To complement its reputation in the industry, No More Kennels could undertake a range of marketing activities, including:
  - Postal mailings and email campaigns
  - Attending pet industry trade shows
  - Establishing a TikTok presence
- 8.9. The Company could undertake further online advertising of its pet taxi and chaperone services via its social media platforms.
- **8.10.** The business could use search engine optimisation (SEO) and pay-per-click (PPC) advertising to strengthen its digital presence.

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION %

### **OVERVIEW**

9.1. The table below outlines the Company's annual profit and loss accounts.

PROFIT AND LOSS (£)	YE2I Stat	YE22 Stat	YE23 Draft
Turnover	484,995	474,269	705,189
Cost of Sales	(251,581)	(230,206)	(468,534)
Gross Profit	233,414	244,063	236,655
Gross Profit Margin	48%	51%	34%
Administrative Expenses	(142,188)	(141,244)	(154,869)
Other Operating Income	10,608		
EBIT	101,834	102,819	81,786
Depreciation	22,883	16,585	16,585
EBITDA	124,717	119,404	98,371
Addbacks			
Director's Salaries	8,840	9,000	9,072
Adjusted EBITDA	133,557	128,404	107,443

**NB:** The Company has experienced swift growth since its formation, with overall cumulative turnover having exceeded £2 million. No More Kennels has gained over 7,000 new clients between January 2021 and April 2024, with an average spend of £530 per client

**NB:** Addbacks entail one-off costs that hold minimal relevance to the Company's performance, as well as costs that an acquirer will not necessarily incur.

# FINANCIAL INFORMATION Con



**9.2.** The table below outlines the Company's yearly balance sheet.

BALANCE SHEET (£)	YE2I Stat	YE22 Stat	YE23 Draft
Fixed Assets			
Tangible Assets	55,026	45,441	28,856
Current Assets			
Debtors	4,703	9,800	94,961
Cash at Bank	29,250	63,868	20,069
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	(44,915)	(85,142)	(117,679)
Net Current Liab	(10,962)	(11,474)	(2,649)
Creditors: Amounts falling due after one year	(43,470)	(33,399)	(25,860)
Net Assets	594	568	347
Capital and Reserves			
Called Up Share Capital	1	1	1
Retained Earnings	593	567	346
Shareholder Funds	594	568	347

# GLOSSARY OF TERMS %

ABBREVIATION	DEFINITION
No More Kennels / the Company	Vaughan Ventures Limited t/a No More Kennels
EBITDA	Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation
PPC	Pay-per-click
SEO	Search engine optimisation
PR	Public relations
YE	Financial year ending 30 <sup>th</sup> December

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