

Lymington Cat & Kitten Rescue
Registered charity number 1060244

Annual Report and Accounts
for the year to
31st December 2023

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Annual report

31st December 2023

The managing committee present their report for the year to 31 December 2023. In alphabetical order, the members of the managing committee are:

Tina Armitage - Trustee

Di Cobbett - Trustee

Pauline Dowland - Retail Manager (Milford)

Kim Edwards - Trustee

Theresa Foot - Co-Manager

Jon Hancock - Co-Manager

Kathleen Quinn - Chair of Trustees

Kelly Terkeurst - Retail Co-Manager
(Lymington)

Jo Walters - Retail Co-Manager (Lymington)

Lymington Cat & Kitten Rescue was established by Trust Deed dated 13 December 1996 and is a registered charity, No 1060244.

Objects, organisation and activities

The organisation was established to alleviate feline suffering by establishing a rescue and rehoming charity in the New Forest area.

2023 saw demands on the charity's services continue to grow significantly, with the number of new cases rising by more than 20 per cent to 270. The effects of the cost of living crisis were brought into sharp focus as many owners struggled to afford pet care and had to relinquish their animals. As a result, the charity's rescue centre was at capacity for much of the year.

The majority of cases dealt with involved stray, abandoned, sick or unwanted cats and kittens who were cared for, given veterinary treatment where appropriate and, when allowed, rehomed. On numerous occasions when the rescue centre was full, staff and volunteers provided temporary shelter and care for cats and kittens in their own homes.

The charity prides itself on a strict policy of never putting a healthy animal to sleep, and cats unable to find homes for reasons of age, infirmity or temperament were given permanent accommodation at our rescue centre, or adopted as ferals at farms, stables and smallholdings.

Once again the charity's two shops achieved a combined gross income of more than £107k. In addition, a number of generous legacies were received and the sale of a property bequeathed to the charity realised just over £450k which will be help to fund the acquisition and development of improved and extended premises at the earliest opportunity.

With deep regret the charity announced in October the death of Terry Coxon, husband of our late founder Janette Frankland. Terry, who was 86, had played a vital role in the establishment and development of the charity, offering unwavering support to Janette.

Appropriate measures were taken to ensure that the couple's home in Highfield Avenue could continue to accommodate the rescue centre while the search for new headquarters continued.

Up to date news and information is available at the charity's regularly updated website and through its social media platforms.

Finances

The organisation continues to be funded principally from donations, legacies, shop and sale takings. Where relevant, supporters are encouraged to Gift Aid donations. The attached financial statements show the financial position of the charity at 31 December 2023.

Registered address: 18 Highfield Avenue, Lymington SO41 9HW.

Bankers: HSBC Bank plc and Santander UK plc

Independent examiner: Adam Jenkinson FCA, 23 Dene Way, Ashurst SO40 7DA.



J. Hancock - Treasurer

Date: 21st October 2024

On behalf of the managing committee

Lymington Cat & Kitten Rescue

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Lymington Cat & Kitten Rescue Charity no: 1060244

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts (as set out on pages 3 to 7) of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31st December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the Trust's gross income exceeds £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Name: Adam Clifford Jenkinson FCA
Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales
Address: 23 Dene Way, Ashurst, Southampton SO40 7DA
Date: 21st October 2024

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Statement of financial activities
For the year ended 31st December 2023

Income and expenditure	2023	2022
Income:	£	£
Donations	31,016	53,720
Shop takings	107,338	107,394
Legacy income	564,518	18,932
Sale takings	1,228	1,763
Deposit interest	1,760	147
Total income	705,860	181,956
Expenditure on:		
Charitable activities:		
Cat food	15,073	13,662
Cat litter	5,669	6,987
Rescue centre wages	64,130	59,839
Veterinary fees	32,559	29,163
Vehicle running costs	7,862	8,853
Cleaning and hygiene	10,506	8,978
Total	135,799	127,482
Raising funds:		
Shop expenses	77,576	68,011
Event and placement advertising	348	220
Hire charges	5,142	3,009
Total	83,066	71,240
Other:		
Electricity	5,530	2,288
Printing postage and stationery	537	709
Bank charges	475	519
Telephone and postage	2,337	1,572
Insurance	1,244	1,171
Depreciation	2,334	3,113
Sundry expenses	6,187	6,929
Total	18,644	16,301
Total expenditure	237,509	215,023
Net (deficit) / surplus for the year	468,351	(33,067)
Fund balances brought forward	570,433	603,500
Fund balances carried forward	1,038,784	570,433

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Balance sheet

At 31st December 2023

	Note	2023 £	2023 £	2022 £	2022 £
Fixed assets	2				
Cat houses and pens			199		265
Vehicle			6,584		8,779
Equipment			220		293
			<u>7,003</u>		<u>9,337</u>
Current assets					
Consumables		2,670		1,690	
Debtors and prepayments		7,671		6,216	
Cash at bank and in hand	4	<u>1,021,440</u>		<u>553,190</u>	
		1,031,781		561,096	
Current liabilities					
Creditors and accruals		-		-	
Net current assets			<u>1,031,781</u>		<u>561,096</u>
Net assets			<u>1,038,784</u>		<u>570,433</u>
Represented by:					
Unrestricted income fund			<u>1,038,784</u>		<u>570,433</u>
General purpose fund			<u>1,038,784</u>		<u>570,433</u>



J. Hancock
Treasurer

Date: 21st October 2024

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Statement of cash flows

For the year to 31 December 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net cash provided by operating activities	467,912	(28,569)
Investing activities		
Investment income received	338	338
Net cash generated from investing activities	338	338
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	468,250	(28,231)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	553,190	581,421
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	1,021,440	553,190

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Notes to the accounts

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1. Accounting policies

General

These accounts have been prepared under the historic cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards and with the Statement of Recommended Practice on Accounting for Charities.

Tangible fixed assets for use by charity

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £500. They are valued at cost or a reasonable value on receipt.

Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on all fixed assets at the rate of 25% per annum on the reducing balance basis.

Consumables

These are valued at the lower of cost or market value.

2. Fixed assets

	Cat houses & pens £	Vehicle £	Equipment £	Total £
Cost:				
Brought forward	28,645	29,727	7,110	65,482
At 31 December 2023	28,645	29,727	7,110	65,482
Depreciation:				
Brought forward	28,380	20,948	6,817	56,145
Charged	66	2,195	73	2,334
At 31 December 2023	28,446	23,143	6,890	58,479
Net book value:				
At 31 December 2023	199	6,584	220	7,003
At 31 December 2022	265	8,779	293	9,337

3. Employees

	2023 £	2022 £
Remuneration:		
Rescue centre staff	64,130	59,839
Shop staff	35,550	26,185
Total	99,680	86,024
Headcount:		
Rescue centre	6	6
Shops	3	3
Total	9	9

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4. Cash at bank and in hand

	2023	2022
	£	£
Cash in hand	1,254	1,236
Current account	873,499	405,267
Notice deposits (less than 3 months)	86,339	86,339
Notice deposits (over 3 months)	60,348	60,348
Total cash and cash equivalents	1,021,440	553,190

5. Cash generated from operations

	2023	2022
	£	£
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	468,351	(33,067)
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	2,334	3,113
Interest from investments	(1,760)	(147)
(Increase)/decrease in stocks	(980)	200
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(33)	1,332
Net cash provided by operating activities	467,912	(28,569)

6. Trustees

None of the trustees or any persons connected with them have received any remuneration or reimbursement of expenses incurred for services provided to the charity (2022: nil).