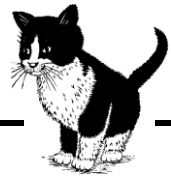


Caring for Cats



(Registered Charity No. 1060280)

TRUSTEES:

Susan Shergold ♦ Veronica Cooper

TRUSTEE REPORT

1st September 2020 – 31st August 2021

This year on 8th August, Caring for Cats proudly celebrated twenty five years as a cat rescue and rehoming charity.

The charity's object is, and always has been, to relieve the suffering of feral, stray and unwanted cats which are in need of care by reason of homelessness, maltreatment, abuse, imminent danger, illness or other causes. We have a strictly enforced non-euthanasia policy so are often asked to help cats whom other rescues refuse to take, due to age and/or health problems.

Inevitably after twenty five years, we have lots of memories of the cats we've been asked to help and reckon that during that time we have managed to help many thousands of cats and kittens. Looking back we have seen how the charity has evolved. When it first started we rescued and neutered a large number of feral cats who were living in the grounds of deserted factories, hospitals and empty buildings. A lot of them were then homed to farms although with the right care we were often able to tame the very young kittens.

Throughout it all the sanctuary in Essex continues to thrive as do the small number of fosterers who care for elderly cats and those with chronic health issues. They would be very difficult to home permanently so they live in their fosterers homes while supported by Caring for Cats. Our sanctuary manager is in the process of moving house which means that the cats will also have a new home. The charity purchased a lovely new chalet for them and we are hopeful that the move will be complete by the end of this year or early next.

Although the older and harder to home cats now take up most of our time and commitment we also continue to help members of the public who are struggling to support their cats if they are faced with unexpected vet bills and will always pay for neutering when someone takes in an unneutered and previously unwanted cat.

We have no plans for major changes in the next couple of years but are prepared to evolve wherever the need takes us and we will continue to liaise with other charities with the same aims as our own and are always happy to help members of the public where there is a genuine need in order to help a cat or kitten.

Sue Shergold
Chair and Treasurer

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Income and Expenditure **Financial year 1st September 2020 – 31st August 2021**

Income	Donations	12,048
	Gift Aid	779
	Legacies	47,286
	In Memorium	2,665
	Total incoming resources:	£62,778
Expenditure	Vet bills	35,900
	Cat food	1,980
	Sanctuary expenses	2,000
	New cat chalet	22,465
	Cat rescue expenses	3,008
	Maintenance	400
	Insurance	486
	Newsletter printing	576
	Accounting fees	150
Total resources expended:		£66,965
Total funds brought forward:		£189,768
Total funds carried forward:		£185,581
Accrued Expenses - fees:		£150

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Caring for cats

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31.08.2021, which are attached.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the Act, and to prepare accounts which accord with the accountant requirements of the Act have not been met, or
2. To which in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.