

Charity registration number: 1063947

Cat Action Trust

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

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Trustees' Report

The trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Introduction

The trustees are satisfied with the performance of the charity during the year and the position at 31st March 2024, and consider that the charity is in a strong position to continue its activities during the coming year and that the charity's assets are adequate to fulfil its obligations.

Objectives and Aims

The Cat Action Trust was established in 1975. Our aim is to assist any cat whether they are stray, feral, hoarded, abandoned or lost. These are the forgotten cats that without help would not receive the veterinary treatment, care and love they so badly need. To achieve this aim the Cat Action Trust supports a network of dedicated volunteers across England, Wales and Scotland.

Our volunteers help trap, neuter and return feral cats to places where they will be fed, cared for and given a warm and comfy place to sleep. Where possible, any feral kittens will be socialised and cared for and rehomed in a domestic setting. Volunteer fosterers also take in unwanted and abandoned domestic cats of all ages and provide them with the necessary care and attention until a suitable loving home is found for them.

All the cats that come into our care are neutered and given any veterinary treatment they may need. We are a non-euthanasia organisation and will only put a cat to sleep if they are terminally ill and suffering or so badly injured that they could not survive.

We believe every cat and kitten deserves a chance to be healthy and cared for, preferably with a comfy lap to sit on.

During the year, the charity experienced a significant decline in legacy income compared to previous years. The charity has been grateful for generous legacies for some years. The trustees are undertaking a fundraising review.

The organisational structure and how decisions are made

The charity is run by a board of trustees who meet regularly during the year.

Legal Status

The charity is an unincorporated charity governed by a written trust deed adopted by its members. There are no restrictions in the governing document on the operation of the charity or on its investment powers, other than those imposed by general charity law.

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Trustees' Report (continued)

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Objectives and activities

Public benefit

The trustees believe that the trusts actions demonstrate its fulfilment of its public benefit obligations.

Structure, governance and management

Nature of governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

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Trustees' Report (continued)

Reference and Administrative Details

Charity Registration Number: 1063947

Principal Office: D S House
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Trustees: L Martin (resigned 18 January 2024)
H Melanistic
B Martin
A Hamp
H O'Hare

Independent Examiner: DSK Partners LLP
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The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 29 January 2025 and signed on its behalf by:



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H Melanistic
Trustee

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Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Cat Action Trust

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Cat Action Trust

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Cat Action Trust for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of Cat Action Trust 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 Cat Action 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.

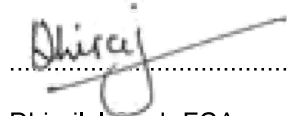
Independent examiner's statement

Since Cat Action Trust's gross income exceeded £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, 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of Cat Action Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- (2) the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- (3) the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
- (4) the accounts do not comply with the accounting 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.

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.



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29 January 2025

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Total 2024 £
Income and Endowments from:			
Donations and legacies		49,424	49,424
Other trading activities		33,347	33,347
Other income		2,082	2,082
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Total income		84,853	84,853
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Expenditure on:			
Raising funds		(22,669)	(22,669)
Charitable activities		(185,270)	(185,270)
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Total expenditure		(207,939)	(207,939)
Gains/losses on investment assets		129,509	129,509
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Net income		6,423	6,423
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Net movement in funds		6,423	6,423
Reconciliation of funds			
Total funds brought forward		1,810,603	1,810,603
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Total funds carried forward	10	1,817,026	1,817,026
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	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Total 2023 £
Income and Endowments from:			
Donations and legacies		314,532	314,532
Other trading activities		51,735	51,735
Other income		29	29
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Total income		366,296	366,296
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Expenditure on:			
Raising funds		(14,948)	(14,948)
Charitable activities		(183,441)	(183,441)
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Total expenditure		(198,389)	(198,389)
Gains/losses on investment assets		15,186	15,186
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Net income		183,093	183,093
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Net movement in funds		183,093	183,093
Reconciliation of funds			
Total funds brought forward		1,627,510	1,627,510
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Total funds carried forward	10	1,810,603	1,810,603
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The notes on pages 7 to 11 form an integral part of these financial statements.

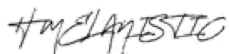
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Statement of Financial Position as at 31 March 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	6	7,265	12,109
Investments	7	<u>1,193,461</u>	<u>1,063,952</u>
		<u>1,200,726</u>	<u>1,076,061</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	8	456	1,213
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>620,476</u>	<u>736,903</u>
		620,932	738,116
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>(4,632)</u>	<u>(3,574)</u>
Net current assets		<u>616,300</u>	<u>734,542</u>
Net assets		<u>1,817,026</u>	<u>1,810,603</u>
Funds of the charity:			
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds		<u>1,817,026</u>	<u>1,810,603</u>
Total funds	10	<u>1,817,026</u>	<u>1,810,603</u>

The financial statements on pages 5 to 11 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 29 January 2025 and signed on their behalf by:



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H Melanistic
Trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

1 Accounting policies

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the second edition of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Basis of preparation

Cat Action Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

Income and endowments

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Currency

The financial statements are prepared in sterling which is also the functional currency of the company and rounded to the nearest pound.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets held for the company's own use are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives at the following rates

Asset class

Fixtures and Fittings

Motor Vehicles

Depreciation method and rate

25% Straight line

25% Straight line

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024 (continued)

Fund structure

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Pensions and other post retirement obligations

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charity's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

2 Income from other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Fundraising events	5,207	5,207	3,714
Shop income	28,140	28,140	48,021
	<u>33,347</u>	<u>33,347</u>	<u>51,735</u>

3 Trustees remuneration and benefits

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2024 nor for the year ended 31 March 2023.

4 Staff costs

The monthly average number of persons (including senior management / leadership team) employed by the charity during the year expressed as full time equivalents was as follows:

	2024 No	2023 No
Employees	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024 (continued)

5 Independent examiner's remuneration

	2024 £	2023 £
Other fees to examiners		
Examination-related assurance services	3,169	3,169

6 Tangible fixed assets

	Furniture and equipment £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 April 2023	19,924	32,177	52,101
At 31 March 2024	19,924	32,177	52,101
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2023	19,924	20,068	39,992
Charge for the year	-	4,844	4,844
At 31 March 2024	19,924	24,912	44,836
Net book value			
At 31 March 2024	-	7,265	7,265
At 31 March 2023	-	12,109	12,109

7 Fixed asset investments

	2024 £	2023 £
Other investments	1,193,461	1,063,952

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024 (continued)

Other investments

	Listed investments £	Total £
Cost or Valuation		
At 1 April 2023	1,063,952	1,063,952
Revaluation	<u>129,509</u>	<u>129,509</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>1,193,461</u>	<u>1,193,461</u>
Net book value		
At 31 March 2024	<u>1,193,461</u>	<u>1,193,461</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>1,063,952</u>	<u>1,063,952</u>

8 Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Prepayments	456	606
Other debtors	<u>-</u>	<u>607</u>
	<u>456</u>	<u>1,213</u>

9 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Other taxation and social security	344	-
Other creditors	1,348	634
Accruals	<u>2,940</u>	<u>2,940</u>
	<u>4,632</u>	<u>3,574</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024 (continued)

10 Funds

	Balance at 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Other recognised gains/(losses) £	Balance at 31 March 2024 £
Unrestricted funds					
General	<u>1,810,603</u>	<u>84,853</u>	<u>(207,939)</u>	<u>129,509</u>	<u>1,817,026</u>
	Balance at 1 April 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Other recognised gains/(losses) £	Balance at 31 March 2023 £
Unrestricted funds					
General	<u>1,627,510</u>	<u>366,296</u>	<u>(198,389)</u>	<u>15,186</u>	<u>1,810,603</u>

11 Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2024.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Income and Endowments from:		
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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2024 (continued)

	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
<i>Donations and legacies</i>		
Legacies and bequests	34,194	283,074
Appeals and donations	15,230	31,458
	<u>49,424</u>	<u>314,532</u>
<i>Other trading activities</i>		
Fundraising	5,207	3,714
Shop income	28,140	48,021
	<u>33,347</u>	<u>51,735</u>
<i>Other income</i>		
Bank interest	2,082	29
	<u>2,082</u>	<u>29</u>
<i>Raising funds</i>		
Wages and salaries	(22,669)	(14,948)
	<u>(22,669)</u>	<u>(14,948)</u>
<i>Charitable activities</i>		
Admin Charges	(18,046)	(10,172)
Fundraising costs	(2,715)	(2,517)
Shop expense	(22,316)	(8,664)
Insurance	(990)	(1,534)
Cat food and other expenses	(10,727)	(10,582)
Veterinary costs	(70,857)	(90,969)
Equipment	(226)	(712)
Telephone and fax	(3,082)	(2,354)
Office expenses	(8,566)	(6,824)
Website costs	(213)	(366)
Printing, postage and stationery	(1,368)	(1,880)
Rescue cat boarding	(22,439)	(12,301)
West wales	-	(4,422)
Sundry expenses	(621)	(3,515)
Storage	(7,375)	(10,542)
Neutering Van	(794)	(3,239)
Motor Expenses	(49)	(135)
Advertising	(1,800)	(1,800)
Independent examiner's fee	(3,169)	(3,169)
Marchant charges	(850)	(1,155)
Legal and professional fees	(3,858)	(910)

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2024 (continued)

	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Bank charges	(35)	(519)
Pension scheme finance costs	(331)	(317)
Depreciation of motor vehicles	<u>(4,843)</u>	<u>(4,843)</u>
	<u>(185,270)</u>	<u>(183,441)</u>
<i>Gains/losses on investment assets</i>		
Funds - investment assets	<u>129,509</u>	<u>15,186</u>