COVENTRY CAT GROUP

England & Wales · Charity number 1065043

Details

Other names	COV-CAT
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1997-10-27
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	Coventry Cat Group Wychwood Northbrook Road Coventry CV6 2AJ
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Email	judith@coventrycatgroup.org.uk
Website	www.coventrycatgroup.org.uk

Activities

Objects: 1) TO PROVIDE OR ASSIST IN THE PROVISION OF CARE AND ACCOMMODATION FOR ABANDONED MAINLY FERAL CATS WHICH ARE IN NEED OF CARE AND PROTECTION BY REASON OF HOMELESSNESS, SICKNESS, MALTREATMENT, POOR CIRCUMSTANCES OR ILL USAGE AND THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO THE SUFFERING AMONG SUCH CATS IN COVENTRY AND THE IMMEDIATE SURROUNDING AREA AND 2) TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC IN THE CARE OF FERAL CATS

Activities: We help, care for the welfare and improve the quality of life of abandoned or feral cats in and around Coventry. We respond to calls for help when we are told cats and/or kittens are apparently abandoned living in gardens or on the highway, or surviving rough as ferals and endeavour to improve their quality of life.Volunteers and helpers are always welcome to join us.

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Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Animals
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** COVENTRY AND THE IMMEDIATE SURROUNDING AREA
- Coventry City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£94,006	£75,653	-	-
2024-03-31	£68,167	£66,784	-	-
2023-03-31	£45,130	£97,486	-	-
2022-03-31	£52,435	£50,556	-	-
2021-03-31	£78,841	£62,987	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Colin David Childs		2018-02-14
Deborah Brassington		2018-02-14
Judith Anne Stanley		2016-03-01
Linda Rosemary McManus		2014-09-07

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COVENTRY CAT GROUP

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Accounts

Coventry Cat Group

Trustee's Annual Report and Financial Statements for 1st April 2024 – 31st March 2025

Registered charity number: 1065043

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Reference and Administrative Details

Charity Name: Coventry Cat Group

Other names Charity is known by: N/A

Charity Number: 1065043

Charity's operating address: Wychwood, North Brook Road, Coventry, CV6 2AJ

Names of the Charity Trustees who managed the charity during the reporting period

Name	Office	Appointed	Retired
Mrs Linda McManus	Trustee	1st May 2014	-
Mrs Judith Stanley	Trustee	1st March 2016	-
Mrs Deborah Brassington	Hon. Secretary	14th February 2018	-
Mr Colin Childs	Hon. Treasurer	14th February 2018	-

Summary of the Organisation's Purpose and Activities

Summary of the Objectives of the charity as set out in its Governing Document

To provide assistance in the provision of care and accommodation of abandoned mainly feral cats which are in need of care and protection by reason of homelessness, sickness, maltreatment or poor circumstances or ill usage, and the prevention of cruelty to, and suffering among cats in Coventry and the immediate surrounding area, and to advance the education of the public in the care of feral cats.

The charity is run entirely by volunteers, none of whom are employed by the Trust.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to the charity's objectives

Rehoming of 41 cats and kittens, following each being neutered, vaccinated, microchipped and treated against fleas and worms.

Support for long term foster cats with a range of medical conditions and or elderly cats who are currently in foster care.

Trapping, neutering and microchipping has been carried out to aid local feral cats and kittens. Some of these were returned to site (TNR), and the majority were trapped, microchipped, neutered and found a place in our care to enable them to progress to family pets after many cases extended rehabilitation and socialisation.

Taking into care abandoned cats, getting them neutered (where necessary), vaccinated, and microchipped, treated against worms and fleas, rehabilitated and found a permanent home.

Providing a helpline to advise members of the public and also social workers and other who work with vulnerable people.

Provide a microchip scanning service.

Organising various successful fundraising events.

Achievements & Performance

Statutory Declaration
The Trustees declare that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit publishing by the commission in exercising their powers or duties.

Summary of the main achievements of the Charity for the year
Homed 41 cats and kittens
Added a third pod to our Isolation Unit facility
Successfully recruited a number of new volunteers

Coordinators Annual Report
We will never be out of our volunteer jobs! So, it has been great to have new volunteers join us over the last 12 months. So many thanks to them and our more experienced volunteers for showing them how we tick.

We are still receiving calls via our helpline for help with cats which often only need microchip and spay/neuter, but householders are not being successful when seeking neutering vouchers via the local Cats Protection. Some of our work in reuniting lost cats has been made more difficult causing wasted time and fuel, due to microchips not being kept up to date.

Nicole, Darce and Liva

Over the last twelve months we have had more complex cases needing more than a quick "snip and chip". Craig had an infection, possibly from a fight wound, to his front leg, he was given a Convenia antibiotic injection. All seemed well until I was due a day off. For some reason, I wasn't quite sure how his leg was healing that morning, so I had him checked at the vet. Clean bill of health, (she even took his temperature), he ate his belated breakfast and I left him with a feed to be given at 3 pm while I was away. He refused it and was found to be staring into space. So, I came back early and, on the way, organised for Craig to go to the emergency vet at Warwick, he was kept in overnight. They found a sudden heart murmur, chest rattle and the start of sepsis! Grateful thanks to our daughter Katie who did the day-care, driving and Debbie for accompanying her.

We have had another tom cat who had an injury to his paw, which could have been a fight wound, or caused from trauma by landing on a nail or something. All seemed well at first, then it definitely got much bigger than the foot on the other side. Thankfully with some antibiotic tablets on board, he was able to recover from the wound, his neuter and microchip procedures and find an excellent new home.

Our rescue centre has been running for around 10 years, so we have had to do some remedial work on the bungalow and also our isolation unit due to the very welcome additional pen, enabled by a very generous donation from two of our dedicated volunteers. Unfortunately, there had been a change in design, which meant the whole of its roof had to be replaced. We are currently waiting for the electrical updates to be completed.

As we move from spring to summer, we are looking forward to hosting our afternoon teas and our open day, hoping the weather will be kind.

Our new ISO pod under construction

Many thanks to our Trustees, Executive Committee Members, Bid Funding Team, volunteers and supporters who make it possible for us to do what we can to help the cats and kittens.

Financial Review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Trust has no substantial reserves

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Treasurer Report for Financial Year 2024/2025

I am pleased to report that despite continued challenging economic conditions over the last year, the Charity remains in a healthy financial position. This year we have incurred some unexpected maintenance costs at Willand, along with further investment in our cattery centre by adding a third isolation pen, however the charity has returned a small surplus for the financial year thanks to our wonderful supporters. Special thank you to Jane Pitcher for her very generous donation this year.
During the last year, we have again had wonderful success with our big fundraising events, the Summer Open Day, our popular Paws for a Cuppa afternoon teas, and finally our Christmas Fayre.
The Charity's cash reserves at the end of FY24/25 amounted to £60,844.
Finally, I would like to express my thanks to my fellow Trustees and Executive Committee members for their support, our Bid and Funding team for all their determination with several grant applications, our volunteers for all their hard work, and to our supporters for their generosity and goodwill.

Structure, Governance & Management

Description of the Charity's Trusts

Type of Governing Document: Constitution adopted September 1997 and amended May 2018

How the Charity is Constituted: Trust

Trustee Selection: Being an established, trustworthy volunteer nominated and elected by the charity membership at the AGM

How New Trustees are Inducted and Trained: By reference of the Charity Commission Notes about the role of a Trustee, and reference to the history and current status of the charity.

Additional Governance: Minimum of three trustees at any one time. Executive Committee meet monthly to discuss day to day running of the charity, report to trustees, including any major risks identified.

We are associate members of the Association of Dog and Cat Homes. We work with other local charities to offer advice, support and assistance, also to members of the public who get in touch regarding feral colonies, abandoned or stray cats.

Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts

The independent examination of the Coventry Cat Group accounts for the period 1st April 2024 through to 31st March 2025 was conducted in January 2026 by David McCabe.

Coventry Cat Group

Financial Statements for the

Year Ending 31st March 2025

Charity Number 1065043

COVENTRY CAT GROUP

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

The trustees present their report with the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2025

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered charity name Coventry Cat Group

Charity registration number 1065043

Willand
Harvest Hill Lane
Coventry
CV5 9DD

The trustees

The trustees who served the charity during the period were as follows:

Lin McManus
Judith Stanley
Debbie Brassington
Colin Childs

Independent examiner

David McCabe
6 Charwelton Drive
Rugby
Warwickshire
CV21 1TU

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITES

To provide assistance in the provision of care and accommodation of abandoned, mainly feral cats which are in need of care and protection by reason of homelessness, sickness, maltreatment or poor circumstances or ill usage and the prevention of cruelty to and suffering among such cats in Coventry and the immediate surrounding area: and to advance the education of the public in the care of feral cats

Signed on behalf of the trustees

6 Charwelton Drive
Rugby
Warwickshire
CV21 1TU

Colin Childs
Trustee

22nd January 2026

COVENTRY CAT GROUP

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF COVENTRY CAT GROUP

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2025 which are set out on the following pages this report.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 any 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 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.

David McCabe
Independent Examiner

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22nd January 2026

COVENTRY CAT GROUP

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
FIXED ASSETS	250,000	250,000
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash at Bank and in hand	60,844	33,377
VAT Refund Due	904	1,076
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	(9,317)	(375)
NET CURRENT ASSETS	52,431	34,078
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	302,431	284,078
NET ASSETS	302,431	284,078
FUNDS		
Unrestricted income funds	302,431	284,078
TOTAL FUNDS	302,431	284,078

These financial statements were approved by the members of the committee and authorised for issue on the 22nd January 2026 and are signed on their behalf by:

Colin Childs
Trustee

COVENTRY CAT GROUP

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
INCOMING RESOURCES		
Incoming resources from generating funds:		
Donations	76,970	51,276
Willand income	14,385	14,491
Interest Received	651	900
Grant	2,000	1,500
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	**94,006**	**68,167**
RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Cost of generating funds:		
Cat Food	(13,138)	(13,721)
Cat Litter	(2,527)	(6,836)
Cat Expenses (other)	(5,057)	(5,086)
Cat Medications	(3,320)	(3,621)
Vets Bills	(15,928)	(19,220)
Fundraising Equipment	(143)	(1,798)
Telephone	(90)	(90)
Printing Postage and Stationery	(1,068)	(749)
Bank Charges	(57)	(34)
Accountancy	(375)	(375)
Bungalow Repairs	(9,110)	(658)
Cattery Fees	(6,960)	(7,269)
Energy Bills	(2,286)	(1,328)
Insurance	(1,517)	(1,399)
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED ON OPERATIONS	**(61,576)**	**(62,184)**
Special Projects	(14,077)	(4,600)
NET INCOMING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR	**18,353**	**1,383**
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS		
Total funds brought forward	284,078	282,695
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	**302,431**	**284,078**

The Statement of Financial Activites includes all gains and losses in the year and therefore a statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared.

All of the above amounts relate to continuing activities.

COVENTRY CAT GROUP

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Coventry Cat Group

Trustee's Annual Report and Financial Statements for 1st April 2023 – 31st March 2024

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Reference and Administrative Details

Charity Name: Coventry Cat Group

Other names Charity is known by: N/A

Charity Number: 1065043

Charity's operating address: Wychwood, North Brook Road, Coventry, CV6 2AJ

Names of the Charity Trustees who managed the charity during the reporting period

Name	Office	Appointed	Retired
Mrs Linda McManus	Trustee	1st May 2014	-
Mrs Judith Stanley	Trustee	1st March 2016	-
Mrs Deborah Brassington	Hon. Secretary	14th February 2018	-
Mr Colin Childs	Hon. Treasurer	14th February 2018	-

Summary of the Organisation's Purpose and Activities

Summary of the Objectives of the charity as set out in its Governing Document

To provide assistance in the provision of care and accommodation of abandoned mainly feral cats which are in need of care and protection by reason of homelessness, sickness, maltreatment or poor circumstances or ill usage, and the prevention of cruelty to, and suffering among cats in Coventry and the immediate surrounding area, and to advance the education of the public in the care of feral cats.

The charity is run entirely by volunteers, none of whom are employed by the Trust.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to the charity's objectives

Rehoming of 62 cats and kittens, following each being neutered, vaccinated, microchipped and treated against fleas and worms.

Support for long term foster cats with a range of medical conditions and or elderly cats who are currently in foster care.

Trapping, neutering and microchipping has been carried out to aid local feral cats and kittens. Some of these were returned to site (TNR), and the majority were trapped, microchipped, neutered and found a place in our care to enable them to progress to family pets after many cases extended rehabilitation and socialisation.

Taking into care abandoned cats, getting them neutered (where necessary), vaccinated, and microchipped, treated against worms and fleas, rehabilitated and found a permanent home.

Providing a helpline to advise members of the public and also social workers and other who work with vulnerable people.

Provide a microchip scanning service.

Organising various successful fundraising events.

Achievements & Performance

Statutory Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit publishing by the commission in exercising their powers or duties.

Summary of the main achievements of the Charity for the year

Homed 32 cats and kittens
Completion of the mother and kitten unit, providing a specialist care space for queens and their litters
Successfully recruited a number of new volunteers

Coordinators Annual Report

We have been asked to help more and more cats, especially as our name is growing, possibly via the internet. Although we suspect there are a lot more who do need help, due to kittens being purchased over the dreadful Covid time. A lot of people have taken them on and not been serious about their commitment, not having them, vaccinated, microchipped or spayed/neutered. We spend a lot of time explaining to people why we cannot help them. We continue to help feral colonies before they grow any bigger, which can end up with sickly cats needing a lot more help and resources if nobody does.

The public need to understand that we have to have somewhere to isolate the cat(s) needing help, get a vet appointment, take it at least once, incur costs, treatment and recovery time, depending on whether a simple neuter/spay, or a possible more complex procedure, such as an eye removal, where it may then be unsafe to return the cat to where it came from, or if a member of the public who asked for help, no longer wants the cat back at their property. We can quickly have no space, low funds and are supported by a small army of volunteers, not the big charity they wish we were.

Recently we have had some lovely people do their best to help cats who have appeared in gardens looking lost or needing help. So, when they call our helpline, we do our very best to support them with advice and thank them generously for their efforts.

As you may be aware, it is becoming law on the 10th of June this year, that all cats and kittens aged 20 weeks, or more are microchipped with their details up to date. We sincerely hope it makes a difference. We are glad to see that when someone finds a cat or kitten, they are usually advised from one member of the public to another to take it to a vet to have it checked for a microchip.

Two of our dedicated volunteer members have given us a substantial donation towards the much-needed refurbishment of our Isolation Unit, the building has seen so many little faces over the few years we have had it in use, so this is very welcome and appreciated indeed, we are so grateful to them.

We would like to send a huge “thank you” to our Trustees, Executive Committee Members, Bid Funding Team, volunteers and supporters, who along with the cats who need our help, give us the will to carry on when some days it is really tough without a break from the constant demands for our services.

We look forward to raising some more funds at our Afternoon Tea and Open Day events, which were enjoyed by many last year, and were financially successful too. All we need is some good weather to make it happen, it is great to be able to meet our supporters on those days, you make what we do possible.

Financial Review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Trust has no substantial reserves

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Treasurer Report for Financial Year 2023/2024

I am pleased to report that despite tough economic conditions, the Charity remains in a healthy financial position. After investing heavily during 2022 on our new Mother and Kitten unit, 2023 was a year of consolidation, ensuring our costs continue to be carefully controlled.

During the last year, we have again had wonderful success with our big fundraising events, the Summer Open Day, our popular Paws for a Cuppa afternoon teas, and finally our Christmas Fayre which this year raised a record breaking £2,280!

The Charity's cash reserves at the end of FY23/24 amounted to £33,377. Finally I would like to express my thanks to my fellow Trustees and Executive Committee members for their support, our Bid and Funding team for all their determination with several successful grants, our volunteers for all their hard work, and to our Supporters for their generosity and goodwill.

Structure, Governance & Management

Description of the Charity's Trusts

Type of Governing Document: Constitution adopted September 1997 and amended May 2018

How the Charity is Constituted: Trust

Trustee Selection: Being an established, trustworthy volunteer nominated and elected by the charity membership at the AGM

How New Trustees are Inducted and Trained: By reference of the Charity Commission Notes about the role of a Trustee, and reference to the history and current status of the charity.

Additional Governance: Minimum of three trustees at any one time. Executive Committee meet monthly to discuss day to day running of the charity, report to trustees, including any major risks identified.

We are associate members of the Association of Dog and Cat Homes. We work with other local charities to offer advice, support and assistance, also to members of the public who get in touch regarding feral colonies, abandoned or stray cats.

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustee's Report above.

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees

Full Name: Judith Stanley
Position: Trustee
Date: 8th December 2024
Signature: J A. Stanley

Full Name: Lin Mcmanus
Position: Trustee
Date: 8th December 2024
Signature:

L Mc Manus.

Full Name: Debbie Brassington
Position: Hon. Secretary
Date: 8th December 2024
Signature:

Full Name: Colin Childs
Position: Hon. Treasurer
Date: 8th December 2024
Signature:

Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts

The independent examination of the Coventry Cat Group accounts for the period 1st April 2023 through to 31st March 2024 was conducted in January 2025 by David McCabe.

Coventry Cat Group

Financial Statements for the

Year Ending 31st March 2024

Charity Number 1065043

COVENTRY CAT GROUP

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

Charity Number 1065043

COVENTRY CAT GROUP

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

The trustees present their report with the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2024

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered charity name Coventry Cat Group

Charity registration number 1065043

Willand
Harvest Hill Lane
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CV5 9DD

The trustees
The trustees who served the charity during the period were as follows:

Lin McManus
Judith Stanley
Debbie Brassington
Colin Childs

Independent examiner

David McCabe
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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITES

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To advance the education of the public in the care of feral cats

Signed on behalf of the trustees

6 Charwelton Drive
Rugby
Warwickshire
CV21 1TU

Colin Childs
Trustee

23rd January 2025

COVENTRY CAT GROUP

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF COVENTRY CAT GROUP

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2024 which are set out on the following pages this report.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
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- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 any 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 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.

David McCabe
Independent Examiner

6 Charwelton Drive
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Warwickshire
CV21 1TU

23rd January 2025

COVENTRY CAT GROUP

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
FIXED ASSETS	250,000	250,000
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash at Bank and in hand	33,377	31,450
VAT Refund Due	1,076	1,620
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	(375)	(375)
NET CURRENT ASSETS	34,078	32,695
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	284,078	282,695
NET ASSETS	284,078	282,695
FUNDS		
Unrestricted income funds	284,078	282,695
TOTAL FUNDS	284,078	282,695

These financial statements were approved by the members of the committee and authorised for issue on the 23rd January 2025 and are signed on their behalf by:

Colin Childs
Trustee

COVENTRY CAT GROUP

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
INCOMING RESOURCES		
Incoming resources from generating funds:		
Donations	51,276	31,839
Willand income	14,491	13,068
Interest Received	900	223
Grant	1,500	0
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	**68,167**	**45,130**
RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Cost of generating funds:		
Cat Food	(13,721)	(14,030)
Cat Litter	(6,836)	(5,434)
Cat Expenses (other)	(5,086)	(5,299)
Cat Medications	(3,621)	(2,996)
Vets Bills	(19,220)	(20,273)
Fundraising Equipment	(1,798)	(1,882)
Telephone	(90)	(72)
Printing Postage and Stationery	(749)	(298)
Bank Charges	(34)	(56)
Accountancy	(375)	(375)
Bungalow Repairs	(658)	(1,151)
Cattery Fees	(7,269)	(7,300)
Energy Bills	(1,328)	(1,389)
Insurance	(1,399)	(1,287)
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED ON OPERATIONS	**(62,184)**	**(61,842)**
Special Projects	(4,600)	(35,644)
NET INCOMING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR	**1,383**	**(52,356)**
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS		
Total funds brought forward	282,695	335,051
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	**284,078**	**282,695**

The Statement of Financial Activites includes all gains and losses in the year and therefore a statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared.

All of the above amounts relate to continuing activities.

COVENTRY CAT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 1065043

Accounts

Coventry Cat Group

Trustee's Annual Report and Financial Statements for 1st April 2022 – 31st March 2023

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Charity Name: Coventry Cat Group

Other names Charity is known by: N/A

Charity Number: 1065043

Charity's operating address: Wychwood, North Brook Road, Coventry, CV6 2AJ

Names of the Charity Trustees who managed the charity during the reporting period

Name	Office	Appointed	Retired
Mrs Linda McManus	Trustee	1st May 2014	-
Mrs Judith Stanley	Trustee	1st March 2016	-
Mrs Deborah Brassington	Hon. Secretary	14th February 2018	-
Mr Colin Childs	Hon. Treasurer	14th February 2018	-

Summary of the Organisation's Purpose and Activities

Summary of the Objectives of the charity as set out in its Governing Document

To provide assistance in the provision of care and accommodation of abandoned mainly feral cats which are in need of care and protection by reason of homelessness, sickness, maltreatment or poor circumstances or ill usage, and the prevention of cruelty to, and suffering among cats in Coventry and the immediate surrounding area, and to advance the education of the public in the care of feral cats.

The charity is run entirely by volunteers, none of whom are employed by the Trust.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to the charity's objectives

Rehoming of 62 cats and kittens, following each being neutered, vaccinated, microchipped and treated against fleas and worms.

Support for long term foster cats with a range of medical conditions and or elderly cats who are currently in foster care.

Trapping, neutering and microchipping has been carried out to aid local feral cats and kittens. Some of these were returned to site (TNR), and the majority were trapped, microchipped, neutered and found a place in our care to enable them to progress to family pets after many cases extended rehabilitation and socialisation.

Taking into care abandoned cats, getting them neutered (where necessary), vaccinated, and microchipped, treated against worms and fleas, rehabilitated and found a permanent home.

Providing a helpline to advise members of the public and also social workers and other who work with vulnerable people.

Provide a microchip scanning service.

Organising various successful fundraising events.

Additional Activities

During 2022 we completed our mother and kitten unit. This specialist unit will allow the charity to provide dedicated care to pregnant queens and new-born litters that we take into our care.

Achievements & Performance

Statutory Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit publishing by the commission in exercising their powers or duties.

Summary of the main achievements of the Charity for the year

Homed 62 cats and kittens
Completion of the new feral cat unit, expanding the capacity at our rescue centre by 24 cats
Successfully recruited a number of new volunteers following the pandemic and relaxing of social distancing rules

Coordinators Annual Report

As we find ourselves in our 26th year, on the eve of our Coronation of King Charles we have some lucky cats in our care. Lucky because we are so grateful to our regular volunteers and supporters, we are so pleased to have your dedication. Please can we all wish Wendy a speedy recovery after her accident at home, we are missing her quiet presence at the Centre. Special thanks goes to my fellow Trustees, a small but mighty support, thank you all so much!

Interior of our new Mother and Kitten unit

We know there are so many more needing our help from our messages on our Facebook pages and helpline, all we can do is our best for those in our care, and give advice to those who we cannot take in. So if you hear of anyone getting a young cat or kitten, please try and advise them not to let the youngster out until he or she has neutered or spayed.

Our new Mum and Kitten Unit is now officially open and operational thanks to Brenda Cartwright's gift to make it happen. Our Bid Funding Team have been beavering away, doing their best to secure any grants to help us, thank you all.

Afternoon Teas are currently being advertised on our Facebook page, don't panic if you missed out on the first one, there will be more to follow. All we need is some lovely weather.

We hope to add another pen onto our Isolation Unit when funds allow, which will be well used as the first two have proven to be.

We are striving our hardest to help the colonies we have visited in the past, some of them are proving quite hard to capture!

Hope, one of the first residents of our new Mother and Kitten unit

Financial Review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Trust has no substantial reserves

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Treasurer Report for Financial Year 2022/2023

I am pleased to report that the Charity remains in a healthy financial position. During the last year, we have made significant capital investment of approximately £30,000 at our rescue centre, including the completion of a landmark project for Coventry Cat Group, our new mother and kitten unit.

During the last year, we have had great success with the return of our big fundraising events, the Summer Open Day, Our Christmas Fayre and the popular Paws for a Cuppa afternoon teas.

The Charity's cash reserves at the end of FY22/23 amounted to approximately £28,000.

Finally, I would like to express my thanks to my fellow Trustees and Executive Committee members for their support, our Bid and Funding team for all their determination with several successful grants, our volunteers for all their hard work, and to our Supporters for their generosity and goodwill.

Structure, Governance & Management

Description of the Charity's Trusts

Type of Governing Document: Constitution adopted September 1997 and amended May 2018

How the Charity is Constituted: Trust

Trustee Selection: Being an established, trustworthy volunteer nominated and elected by the charity membership at the AGM

How New Trustees are Inducted and Trained: By reference of the Charity Commission Notes about the role of a Trustee, and reference to the history and current status of the charity.

Additional Governance: Minimum of three trustees at any one time. Executive Committee meet monthly to discuss day to day running of the charity, report to trustees, including any major risks identified.

We are associate members of the Association of Dog and Cat Homes. We work with other local charities to offer advice, support and assistance, also to members of the public who get in touch regarding feral colonies, abandoned or stray cats.

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustee's Report above.

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees

Full Name: Judith Stanley
Position: Trustee
Date: 3rd December 2023

Signature:

Full Name: Lin Mcmanus
Position: Trustee
Date: 3rd December 2023

Signature:

Full Name: Debbie Brassington
Position: Hon. Secretary
Date: 3rd December 2023

Signature:

Full Name: Colin Childs
Position: Hon. Treasurer
Date: 3rd December 2023

Signature:

Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts

The independent examination of the Coventry Cat Group accounts for the period 1st April 2022 through to 31st March 2023 was conducted in January 2024 by David McCabe.

Coventry Cat Group

Financial Statements for the

Year Ending 31st March 2023

Charity Number 1065043

COVENTRY CAT GROUP

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

Charity Number 1065043

COVENTRY CAT GROUP

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

The trustees present their report with the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2023

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered charity name Coventry Cat Group

Charity registration number 1065043

Willand
Harvest Hill Lane
Coventry
CV5 9DD

The trustees
The trustees who served the charity during the period were as follows:

Lin McManus
Judith Stanley
Debbie Brassington
Colin Childs

Independent examiner

David McCabe
6 Charwelton Drive
Rugby
Warwickshire
CV21 1TU

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITES

To provide assistance in the provision of care and accommodation of abandoned, mainly feral cats which are in need of care and protection by reason of homelessness, sickness, maltreatment or poor circumstances or ill usage and the prevention of cruelty to and suffering among such cats in Coventry and the immediate surrounding area: and
To advance the education of the public in the care of feral cats

Signed on behalf of the trustees

6 Charwelton Drive
Rugby
Warwickshire
CV21 1TU

Colin Childs
Trustee

27th January 2024

COVENTRY CAT GROUP

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF COVENTRY CAT GROUP

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2023 which are set out on the following pages this report.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 any 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 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.

David McCabe
Independent Examiner

6 Charwelton Drive
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Warwickshire
CV21 1TU

27th January 2024

COVENTRY CAT GROUP

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
FIXED ASSETS	250,000	250,000
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash at Bank and in hand	31,450	84,215
VAT Refund Due	1,620	1,211
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	(375)	(375)
NET CURRENT ASSETS	32,695	85,051
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	282,695	335,051
NET ASSETS	282,695	335,051
FUNDS		
Unrestricted income funds	282,695	335,051
TOTAL FUNDS	282,695	335,051

These financial statements were approved by the members of the committee and authorised for issue on the 27th January 2024 and are signed on their behalf by:

Colin Childs
Trustee

COVENTRY CAT GROUP

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
INCOMING RESOURCES		
Incoming resources from generating funds:		
Donations	31,839	34,478
Willand income	13,068	13,930
Interest Received	223	77
Grant	0	3,950
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	**45,130**	**52,435**
RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Cost of generating funds:		
Cat Food	(14,030)	(11,226)
Cat Litter	(5,434)	(1,854)
Cat Expenses (other)	(5,299)	(3,878)
Cat Medications	(2,996)	(2,115)
Vets Bills	(20,273)	(14,899)
Fundraising Equipment	(1,882)	(0)
Telephone	(72)	(72)
Printing Postage and Stationery	(298)	(889)
Bank Charges	(56)	(0)
Accountancy	(375)	(375)
Bungalow Repairs	(1,151)	(3,915)
Cattery Fees	(7,300)	(6,680)
Energy Bills	(1,389)	(2,096)
Insurance	(1,287)	(1,277)
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED ON OPERATIONS	**(61,842)**	**(49,276)**
Special Projects	(35,644)	(1,280)
NET OUTGOING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR	**(52,356)**	**1,879**
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS		
Total funds brought forward	335,051	333,172
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	**282,695**	**335,051**

The Statement of Financial Activites includes all gains and losses in the year and therefore a statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared.

All of the above amounts relate to continuing activities.

COVENTRY CAT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 1065043

Accounts

Coventry Cat Group

Trustee's Annual Report and Financial Statements for 1st April 2021 – 31st March 2022

Registered charity number: 1065043

VAT Registration: 128 5052 25

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Reference and Administrative Details

Charity Name: Coventry Cat Group

Other names Charity is known by: N/A

Charity Number: 1065043

Charity's operating address: Wychwood, North Brook Road, Coventry, CV6 2AJ

Names of the Charity Trustees who managed the charity during the reporting period

Name	Office	Appointed	Retired
Mrs Linda McManus	Trustee	1st May 2014	-
Mrs Judith Stanley	Trustee	1st March 2016	-
Mrs Deborah Brassington	Hon. Secretary	14th February 2018	-
Mr Colin Childs	Hon. Treasurer	14th February 2018	-

Summary of the Organisation's Purpose and Activities

Summary of the Objectives of the charity as set out in its Governing Document

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The charity is run entirely by volunteers, none of whom are employed by the Trust.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to the charity's objectives

Rehoming of 74 cats and kittens, following each being neutered, vaccinated, microchipped and treated against fleas and worms.

Support for long term foster cats with a range of medical conditions and or elderly cats who are currently in foster care.

Trapping, neutering and microchipping has been carried out to aid local feral cats and kittens. Some of these were returned to site (TNR), and the majority were trapped, microchipped, neutered and found a place in our care to enable them to progress to family pets after many cases extended rehabilitation and socialisation.

Taking into care abandoned cats, getting them neutered (where necessary), vaccinated, and microchipped, treated against worms and fleas, rehabilitated and found a permanent home.

Providing a helpline to advise members of the public and also social workers and other who work with vulnerable people.

Provide a microchip scanning service.

Organising various successful fundraising events.

Additional Activities

Ground work began on our new Mother and Kitten unit in spring 2022. This new facility will provide a specialist environment for us to care for feral mothers and their kitten litters. We are looking forward to being able to use this later in 2022

Achievements & Performance

Statutory Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit publishing by the commission in exercising their powers or duties.

Summary of the main achievements of the Charity for the year

Homed 74 cats and kittens
Completion of the new feral cat unit, expanding the capacity at our rescue centre by 24 cats
Successfully recruited a number of new volunteers following the pandemic and relaxing of social distancing rules

Coordinators Annual Report

I am concerned that Covid is still having its negative effects. Unfortunately, members of the public are making the excuse that it has been impossible to get their cats spayed and neutered. I agree, it has been harder than usual due to the increase in about a third more pets being taken on during lockdown, but if you are prepared to travel a bit further it is possible.

We have also lost some of our volunteers probably due to the pandemic's long duration, but we are glad to retain our "regulars", and also to have had some new volunteers join us recently. The helpline is ramping up again, as people get out into their gardens, or are having bank holidays off and spot strays. The huge job we started in September 2021 is still ongoing with over 60 cats and kittens receiving our help. This is a massive job for such a small charity, and we are grateful that our volunteers and supporters are there for these poor cats.

Some remedial work is currently underway at the Centre, as it has been over the winter too, the old Feral Towers have been spruced up, and made more cosy with some extra insulation and wood replaced where necessary. So some of the cats had to be placed in temporary quarters to facilitate this.

We celebrate our 25th Anniversary this year which is a fabulous milestone, we are looking forward to seeing some of you later on this year, when we hope to offer our successful cream teas. Nearer Christmas, we hope to have our Christmas Fayre at Coundon Club again. Sometimes there are not enough hours in the day (or night), and we hope we are keeping our supporters and volunteers updated. It is hard to do this with our other responsibilities, but the felines must come first, so thank you for your patience.

We would like to express our gratitude to volunteers, supporters and everyone who contributes to Coventry Cat Group making it a success, this would not be possible without you all.

Financial Review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Trust has no substantial reserves

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Treasurer Report for Financial Year 2021/2022

I am pleased to report that Coventry Cat Group remains in a healthy financial position, despite the challenges from the pandemic over the last couple of years.

• Limited progress has been made on two capital projects for the charity during FY21/22, however we have invested in preventative maintenance of Willand and some of the cattery buildings.

• We have ended the year with an accounts balance of £79,987, this includes £23,042 of ringfenced grant funding towards a third ISO pen, and mother and kitten unit, both to be built during the 2022/2023 financial year

• Huge thank you to our fundraising teams for all your hard work, CCG wouldn't be able to do the great work we do without the money the team have helped raise! Our Christmas Fayre returned in 2021 raised a record breaking £1304, while "Paws for a Cuppa" afternoon teas hosted at the centre were a great success in their first year raising £2354

Structure, Governance & Management

Description of the Charity's Trusts

Type of Governing Document: Constitution adopted September 1997 and amended May 2018

How the Charity is Constituted: Trust

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We are associate members of the Association of Dog and Cat Homes. We work with other local charities to offer advice, support and assistance, also to members of the public who get in touch regarding feral colonies, abandoned or stray cats.

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustee's Report above.

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees

Full Name: Judith Stanley
Position: Trustee
Date: 11th December 2022
Signature: J. A Stanley

Full Name: Lin Mcmanus
Position: Trustee
Date: 11th December 2022
Signature: L McManus

Full Name: Debbie Brassington
Position: Hon. Secretary
Date: 11th December 2022
Signature:

Full Name: Colin Childs
Position: Hon. Treasurer
Date: 11th December 2022
Signature:

Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts

The independent examination of the Coventry Cat Group accounts for the period 1st April 2021 through to 31st March was conducted in January 2023 by David McCabe.

Coventry Cat Group

Financial Statements for the

Year Ending 31st March 2022

Charity Number 1065043

COVENTRY CAT GROUP

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2022

The trustees present their report with the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2022

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered charity name Coventry Cat Group

Charity registration number 1065043

Willand
Harvest Hill Lane
Coventry
CV5 9DD

The trustees
The trustees who served the charity during the period were as follows:

Lin McManus
Judith Stanley
Debbie Brassington
Colin Childs

Independent examiner

David McCabe
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CV21 1TU

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITES

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To advance the education of the public in the care of feral cats

Signed on behalf of the trustees

6 Charwelton Drive
Rugby
Warwickshire
CV21 1TU

Colin Childs
Trustee

19th January 2023

COVENTRY CAT GROUP

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF COVENTRY CAT GROUP

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2022

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2022 which are set out on the following pages this report.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 any 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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:
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have not been met; or
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David McCabe
Independent Examiner

6 Charwelton Drive
Rugby
Warwickshire
CV21 1TU

19th January 2023

COVENTRY CAT GROUP

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH 2022

	2022 £	2021 £
FIXED ASSETS	250,000	250,000
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash at Bank and in hand	84,215	81,767
VAT Refund Due	1,211	1,755
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	(375)	(350)
NET CURRENT ASSETS	85,051	83,172
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	335,051	333,172
NET ASSETS	335,051	333,172
FUNDS		
Unrestricted income funds	335,051	333,172
TOTAL FUNDS	335,051	333,172

These financial statements were approved by the members of the committee and authorised for issue on the 19th January 2023 and are signed on their behalf by:

Colin Childs
Trustee

COVENTRY CAT GROUP

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2022

	2022 £	2021 £
INCOMING RESOURCES		
Incoming resources from generating funds:		
Donations	34,478	64,703
Willand income	13,930	13,625
Interest Received	77	88
Grant	3,950	425
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	**52,435**	**78,841**
RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Cost of generating funds:		
Cat Food	(11,226)	(6,952)
Cat Litter	(1,854)	(2,337)
Cat Expenses (other)	(3,878)	(307)
Cat Medications	(2,115)	(2,411)
Vets Bills	(14,899)	(17,618)
Fundraising Equipment	(0)	(0)
Telephone	(72)	(72)
Printing Postage and Stationery	(889)	(1,473)
Bank Charges	(0)	(77)
Accountancy	(375)	(350)
Bungalow Repairs	(3,915)	(1,375)
Cattery Fees	(6,680)	(7,440)
Energy Bills	(2,096)	(2,735)
Insurance	(1,277)	(1,392)
Special Projects	(1,280)	(18,448)
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	**(50,556)**	**(62,987)**
NET OUTGOING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR	**1,879**	**15,854**
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS		
Total funds brought forward	333,172	317,318
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	**335,051**	**333,172**

The Statement of Financial Activites includes all gains and losses in the year and therefore a statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared.

All of the above amounts relate to continuing activities.

COVENTRY CAT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 1065043

Accounts

Coventry Cat Group

Trustee's Annual Report and Financial Statements for 1st April 2020 – 31st March 2021

Registered charity number: 1065043

VAT Registration: 128 5052 25

Reference and Administrative Details

Charity Name: Coventry Cat Group

Other names Charity is known by: N/A

Charity Number: 1065043

Charity's operating address: Wychwood, North Brook Road, Coventry, CV6 2AJ

Names of the Charity Trustees who managed the charity during the reporting period

Name	Office	Appointed	Retired
Mrs Lin McManus	Trustee	1st May 2014	-
Mrs Judith Stanley	Trustee	1st March 2016	-
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Summary of the Objectives of the charity as set out in its Governing Document

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The charity is run entirely by volunteers, none of whom are employed by the Trust.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to the charity's objectives

Rehoming of 87 cats and kittens, following each being neutered, vaccinated, microchipped and treated against fleas and worms.

Support for long term foster cats with a range of medical conditions and or elderly cats who are currently in foster care.

Trapping, neutering and microchipping has been carried out to aid local feral cats and kittens. Some of these were returned to site (TNR), and the majority were trapped, microchipped, neutered and found a place in our care to enable them to progress to family pets after many cases extended rehabilitation and socialisation.

Taking into care abandoned cats, getting them neutered (where necessary), vaccinated, and microchipped, treated against worms and fleas, rehabilitated and found a permanent home.

Providing a helpline to advise members of the public and also social workers and other who work with vulnerable people.

Provide a microchip scanning service.

Organising various successful fundraising events.

Additional Activities

Our feral pens unit were completed in winter 2020, significantly expanding our capacity to care for feral cats at our rescue centre.

Achievements & Performance

Statutory Declaration
The Trustees declare that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit publishing by the commission in exercising their powers or duties.

Summary of the main achievements of the Charity for the year
Homed 87 cats and kittens
Completion of the new feral cat unit, expanding the capacity at our rescue centre by 24 cats
Successfully recruited a number of new volunteers

Coordinators Annual Report
Well we made it! This time last year, we were finding our world a very different place, and today I am so proud of our volunteers, supporters and of course our members who are "hands on" albeit at a distance nowadays, as well as our Trustees who are very supportive to myself and the Charity as a whole.

Sincerest thanks to three special ladies, Lin, Lyndsey and Debbie, who keep Di's going, come rain or shine, they deserve their own pedestal, and have negotiated their way through Covid-19 and also, last year, the dreaded big "R"! As someone who struggles with figures and technology, I especially salute Colin our Treasurer who is a whizz with our figures, and helps us to stay in credit. Also, thanks to our independent auditor Mr McCabe.

Our Bid Funding Team who have been quietly working away behind the scenes, we are forever grateful for their kind efforts in these even more competitive times. We have very nearly managed to see completion of our New Feral Towers, helped along by some skilled crafts people, and already have some residents enjoying the facilities.

We have a floor which is now fit to walk across in the ancillary buildings, all holes mended, and now given a facelift with some replacement floor covering. Di's 3 Earth Angels, were there clearing it all ready for the repair work to commence, and put it all back again! Thank you all so much! Grateful thanks goes to Sarah, our Homing Co-ordinator for coping with new ways of doing the role. It can be challenging at times, (I know as I used to do it!). Sarah has been a superstar by doing virtual home visits, which have become the new normal to keep us and potential adopters safe. I still find it unnatural taking a cat or cats to their new home and leaving them on the doorstep, and not being able to go inside and settle them in, but safety first in these difficult times.

Again, we have been kept at more than full capacity, and managed to help cats and kittens despite several lock downs. We have had to work with our vets who have not been able to generate as many spay and neutering slots as swiftly as we would like. For instance we had 10 booked in for their ops in November last year, but when we had a 2nd lock down, we had to postpone them, but Bell and Partners were great and all were completed before Christmas. Broad Lane Vets have also helped out with urgent work where necessary.

Thanks to our members who have become emergency fosterers, Lyndsey, Gaynor and Georgia. Fostering can be a tough and challenging road to travel, and we acknowledge that some journeys can be tougher than others. How they stay strong and manage to let them go to their new homes is remarkable, and we do know how hard it is!

Grateful thanks to our local RSPCA's Dave Budd, Deputy Manager, who has been generous with items they cannot use themselves, as well as being there to chat should the need arise. Tesco Stores have also been looking after our Charity by allowing us to have a collection point with Melissa at Tesco Cross Point, and Michelle at Tesco Ricoh. Ian and his team at Just for Pets Ricoh also have a collection point within their store at the Ricoh Shopping Centre.

We also receive very valuable Lifelines via the Pets at Home VIP (Very Important Pet) scheme.

You simply name a chosen charity - hopefully Coventry Cat Group! Their website states you should receive 10% off online if you join them, as well as 10% off in store. (Correct as of today's date - 4/5/21). Every time you shop, use your VIP card, which can collect Lifelines for us. We do quite well, and get the vast majority of our wood litter this way, so please if you are not already on the scheme, think of our furries and sign up, they and us, will be most grateful.

Looking forward to the future, we are hoping to start work soon on our Mum and Kitten Unit, which will help relieve the pressure on our Centre from having to find a separate and quiet area every time a Mum to be, or a Mum with kittens comes in. Our Charity has received a substantial donation towards this from Brenda Cartwright, who knows how desperately we need this, because there seems to be no such thing as "kitten season", it is all year round, and if it is anything like our isolation unit, will be very well used indeed. We appreciate her generosity towards this so much.
As Government restrictions ease, we are looking forward to welcoming back our socialisers very gradually by invitation. This will of course depend on how our felines cope with the changes, and we will be led by them and our Centre Manager and her team, who I call Di's Earth Angels.

Once again, thank you all for your continued help and support, we and the felines, very much appreciate it, and we couldn't do what we do without you.

Financial Review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Trust has no substantial reserves

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Structure, Governance & Management

Description of the Charity's Trusts

Type of Governing Document: Constitution adopted September 1997 and amended May 2018

How the Charity is Constituted: Trust

Trustee Selection: Being an established, trustworthy volunteer invited and nominated by all the other Trustees

How New Trustees are Inducted and Trained: By reference of the Charity Commission Notes about the role of a Trustee, and reference to the history and current status of the charity.

Additional Governance: Minimum of three trustees at any one time. Executive Committee meet monthly to discuss day to day running of the charity, report to trustees, including any major risks identified.

We are associate members of the Association of Dog and Cat Homes. We work with other local charities to offer advice, support and assistance, also to members of the public who get in touch regarding feral colonies, abandoned or stray cats.

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustee's Report above.

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees

Full Name LINDA ROSEMARY MCMANUS

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Signature LMCManus.

Position

Trustee

Date 05-12-21

Full Name Judith Anne Stanley

Judith Stanley

Signature J.A. Stanley

Position

Trustee

Date 05-12-21

Full Name

Debbie Brassington

Signature

Position

Hon. Secretary

Date 5/12/21

Full Name

Colin Childs

Signature

Position

Hon. Treasurer

Date

5th December 2021

COVENTRY CAT GROUP

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2021

Charity Number 1065043

COVENTRY CAT GROUP

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2021

The trustees present their report with the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2021

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered charity name Coventry Cat Group

Charity registration number 1065043

Willand
Harvest Hill Lane
Coventry
CV5 9DD

The trustees
The trustees who served the charity during the period were as follows:

Lin McManus
Judith Stanley
Debbie Brassington
Colin Childs

Independent examiner

David McCabe
6 Charwelton Drive
Rugby
Warwickshire
CV21 1TU

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITES

To provide assistance in the provision of care and accommodation of abandoned, mainly feral cats which are in need of care and protection by reason of homelessness, sickness, maltreatment or poor circumstances or ill usage and the prevention of cruelty to and suffering among such cats in Coventry and the immediate surrounding area: and
To advance the education of the public in the care of feral cats

Signed on behalf of the trustees

6 Charwelton Drive
Rugby
Warwickshire
CV21 1TU

Colin Childs
Trustee

24th January 2022

COVENTRY CAT GROUP

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF COVENTRY CAT GROUP

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2021

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2021 which are set out on the following pages this report.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 any 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 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.

David McCabe
Independent Examiner

6 Charwelton Drive
Rugby
Warwickshire
CV21 1TU

24th January 2022

COVENTRY CAT GROUP

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH 2020

	2021 £	2020 £
FIXED ASSETS	250,000	250,000
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash at Bank and in hand	81,767	65,580
VAT Refund Due	1,755	2,088
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	(350)	(350)
NET CURRENT ASSETS	83,172	67,318
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	333,172	317,318
NET ASSETS	333,172	317,318
FUNDS		
Unrestricted income funds	333,172	317,318
TOTAL FUNDS	333,172	317,318

These financial statements were approved by the members of the committee and authorised for issue on the 24th January 2022 and are signed on their behalf by:

Colin Childs
Trustee

COVENTRY CAT GROUP

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2021

	2021 £	2020 £
INCOMING RESOURCES		
Incoming resources from generating funds:		
Donations	64,703	40,323
Willand income	13,625	10,505
Interest Received	88	241
Grant	425	3,825
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	**78,841**	**54,894**
RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Cost of generating funds:		
Cat Food	(6,952)	(5,123)
Cat Litter	(2,337)	(2,081)
Cat Expenses (other)	(307)	(3,796)
Cat Medications	(2,411)	(1,928)
Vets Bills	(17,618)	(13,062)
Fundraising Equipment	(0)	(890)
Telephone	(72)	(71)
Printing Postage and Stationery	(1,473)	(973)
Bank Charges	(77)	(60)
Accountancy	(350)	(350)
Bungalow Repairs	(1,375)	(67)
Cattery Fees	(7,440)	(7,940)
Energy Bills	(2,735)	(1,977)
Insurance	(1,392)	(1,392)
Special Projects	(18,448)	(11,152)
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	**(62,987)**	**(50,862)**
NET OUTGOING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR	**15,854**	**4,032**
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS		
Total funds brought forward	317,318	313,286
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	**333,172**	**317,318**

The Statement of Financial Activites includes all gains and losses in the year and therefore a statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared.

All of the above amounts relate to continuing activities.