

**Trustees Report to the Charity Commission
December 2023 - December 2024**

Lincoln Cat Care

CC reg No 1114359

Aims and objectives

Lincoln Cat Care is a small charity concerned with 'any and all' cat welfare issues: we are active in the vicinity of Lincoln and Newark. The Charity was conceived in 2004 and was granted charitable status on 28th December 2005. In the governing document the purpose was described:

TO PROMOTE HUMANE BEHAVIOUR TOWARDS CATS BY PROVIDING APPROPRIATE CARE, PROTECTION, TREATMENT, AND SECURITY FOR ANIMALS WHICH ARE IN NEED OF CARE AND ATTENTION BY REASON OF SICKNESS, MALTREATMENT, POOR CIRCUMSTANCES, OR ILL USAGE AND TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC IN MATTERS PERTAINING TO CAT WELFARE IN GENERAL

Benefiting cats, kittens and the public

The Charity benefits the public in many ways. The consequence of poor or absent feline welfare is worrying to pet owners and those who value the cat /human bond. We provide advice and help (sometimes financial) to members of the public when this is within our power. Those unhomed cats which present a road accident or disease risk in their feral existence are captured and, where possible, found a stable environment to live in. Population dynamics in cat society makes neutering advisable and cost effective. Our policy is to facilitate feline neutering at an early age thereby reducing numbers of unwanted cats and kittens.

We believe helping cats, helps their owners and helps society. Our phone and Facebook contacts are experienced volunteers who try to resolve difficulties to the benefit of cats, their owners and the general public. We are a volunteer-based group; because we employ no one, most donated income goes to help cats with a tiny proportion only used to run the Charity.

Rehoming is frequently requested but it presents problems for our Charity, depending as it does on the limited capacity of our fosterer's facilities. LCC records 242 cats and kittens rehomed satisfactorily this year.

Our members

Charity members, numbering over one hundred, apply their strengths to the many roles required to run this group. We always need help from people with a variety of talents - Rescuers and fosterers, fundraisers (shop, jumble sale volunteers, car booters) as well as administrators. Our members benefit from helping people and should be justly proud of the work they do.

Most volunteers are multi role. Lincoln Cat Care 's continued success and reputation 'for always being there' relies on their availability, kindness and hard work of its members and donors. We cannot always help but we try. Day to day activities involve fostering cats, rescuing cats and kittens, transport of cats (and their owners) for treatment, fundraising at jumble sales and fetes and retail work at our High Street charity shop.

Lincoln Cat Care has a management committee which attends to the day to day matters and a Trustees committee to oversee the business. The Trustees meet twice per year as a rule.

The Trustees board consists of 9 members (as of November 2024)

Performance during the year

Like all organisations, Lincoln Cat Care has faced significant cost increases since Covid. Veterinary charges feature increasingly as a proportion of our monthly expenditure. To a lesser degree food and litter. Lincoln Cat Care records 1514 paid veterinary procedures this year (1258 in 2022-2023)

Our achievements in the year 2023- 2034 have been greatly influenced by the van purchase. Though a significant outlay it (and our supporting driver) has enabled us to do so much to aid cat welfare and fund generation. The neutering policy, disrupted by reduced veterinary access, three years ago is back on track but the reduced veterinary neutering input still has had dire effects on control of kitten numbers (2022-23). The cat neutering scheme has increased with large financial promotions sponsored by the Charity. We have recorded 338 cats neutered this year in the neutering scheme.

Emergency veterinary treatment and support to needy cases continues to be provided as and when required using out-of-hours services.

The income stream from the Charity shop and jumble sales has been particularly good thanks to our loyal volunteers and generous donors of clothes and Bric a Brac.

Advice, help and support has always been available via the helpline though we are limited by the number the fosterers facilities as regards rehoming provision.

Considerations for the future of Lincoln Cat Care

The Trustees are aware of our dependence on our volunteers and the importance of new members joining the team. With the mandatory feline microchip and pet theft legislation there may be increased pressures on the Charity. We have always supported effective identification systems as part of good pet ownership and hope

any changes will continue to improve cat welfare and the perception of feline welfare in the community.

Conclusion

The Trustees of Lincoln Cat Care are satisfied that the year's activities and achievements of our Charity conform to our stated aims and to the Charity Commission public benefit guidance.

Nigel Williams - Chair

Derek Nevard - Treasurer

Lincoln Cat Care Trustees



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
LINCOLN CAT CARE

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31/12/2024

Charity no **1114359**
(if any)

Set out on pages

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS – PAGES 1 & 2

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **DD / MM / YYYY**.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

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

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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Signed:

Date:

12-05-25

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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
LINCOLN CAT CARE

No (if any)
1114352

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

Period start date
01/01/2024

To

Period end date
31/12/2024

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
DONATIONS	114,841	-	-	114,841	113,897
FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES	6,892	-	-	6,892	7,911
SHOP & EBAY SALES	53,952	-	-	53,952	58,646
INTEREST RECEIVED	2,267	-	-	2,267	1,700
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	177,952	-	-	177,952	182,154
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	177,952	-	-	177,952	182,154
A3 Payments					
VETERINARY EXPENSES	113,631	-	-	113,631	113,349
OTHER HEALTHCARE FEES	3,614	-	-	3,614	4,016
FOOD	27,595	-	-	27,595	-
CAT PEN HEATING	1,282	-	-	1,282	27,018
FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES	656	-	-	656	1,066
SHOP EXPENDITURE	10,489	-	-	10,489	971
REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	1,003	-	-	1,003	8,351
TELEPHONE	169	-	-	169	986
MOTOR EXPENSES & TRANSPORT	2,271	-	-	2,271	199
INSURANCE	967	-	-	967	1,569
ACCOUNTANCY FEES	132	-	-	132	909
CREDIT CARD FEES	244	-	-	244	132
ADVERTISING	-	-	-	-	122
PRINTING, POSTAGE & STATIONERY ETC	640	-	-	640	758
DEPRECIATION	3,624	-	-	3,624	4,701
Sub total	166,317	-	-	166,317	164,147
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
ASSETS	3,324	-	-	3,324	11,364
CREDITORS	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	3,324	-	-	3,324	11,364
Total payments	162,993	-	-	162,993	175,511
Net of receipts/(payments)	14,959	-	-	14,959	6,643
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	338,854	-	-	338,854	332,211
Cash funds this year end	353,813	-	-	353,813	338,854

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	CURRENT ACCOUNT	77,304	-	-
	DEPOSIT ACCOUNT	206,509	-	-
	CAMBRIDGE BUILDING SOCIETY BOND	70,000	-	-
	Total cash funds	353,813	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	CAT PENS	2067	-	-
	KITTEN PENS	33	-	-
	SCANNERS	8	-	-
	OFFICE EQUIPMENT	542	-	-
	MOTOR VEHICLE	8888	-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
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B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
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