

HOMELESS CAT RESCUE BEDFORDSHIRE

England & Wales · Charity number 1153052

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2013-07-24

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC TO RELIEVE THE SUFFERING OF CATS AND KITTENS IN NEED OF CARE AND ATTENTION AND IN PARTICULAR BY:· THE RESCUE REHABILITATION AND RE-HOMING OF ABANDONED CATS AND KITTENS· THE NEUTER AND RELEASE OF FERAL CATS TO HUMANELY CONTROL COLONIES.TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC IN MATTERS PERTAINING TO ANIMAL WELFARE IN GENERAL AND THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY AND SUFFERING AMONG CATS AND KITTENS.

Activities: HCR cover cat and kitten rescue. All cats are neutered, vaccinated* and microchipped before going to their new homes. We educate the public, reinforcing the importance of neutering and micro-chipping cats. We also trap, neuter and release feral cats, helping to humanely reduce the number of feral colonies.* FIV positive cats should not have immune system further compromised by vaccination.

Classification

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

Geography

- Bedford
- Central Bedfordshire
- Luton
- Milton Keynes

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£42,113	£41,461	-	-
2023-12-31	£21,452	£26,245	-	-
2022-12-31	£24,315	£24,868	-	-
2021-12-31	£23,827	£17,492	-	-
2020-12-31	£24,682	£23,723	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
JACKIE BEAN	Chair	2013-02-25
ALISON MORRELL		2024-07-01
Vikki Miller		2019-11-01

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 01/01/2024	To	Period end date 31/12/2024
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
ADOPTIONS	3,070	-	-	3,070	3,340
FUNDRAISING	15,125	-	-	15,125	9,924
DONATIONS	23,918	-	-	23,918	9,924
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	42,113	-	-	42,113	23,827
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	42,113	-	-	42,113	23,827
A3 Payments					
VETERINARY BILLS	33801.00	-	-	33801.00	19556.00
OTHER EXPENSES	7,660	-	-	7,660	6,689
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	41461.00	-	-	41,461	26,245
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	42,113	-	-	41,461	24,869
A5 Transfers between funds					
	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end					16,663
Cash funds this year end	18149.00	-	-	15,823	

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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	-	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
		-	-	-
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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
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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)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Alison Morrell	30/10/2025	

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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					
ADOPTIONS	3,340	-	-	3,340	2,854
FUNDRAISING	9,924	-	-	9,924	12,284
DONATIONS	9,924	-	-	9,924	9,177
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	23,188	-	-	23,188	23,827
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	23,188	-	-	23,188	23,827
A3 Payments					
VETERINARY BILLS	19556.00	-	-	19556.00	19,691
OTHER EXPENSES	6,689	-	-	6,689	5,178
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	26245.00	-	-	26,245	24,869
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	26,245	-	-	26,245	24,869
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	16,663
Cash funds this year end	15823.00	-	-	15,823	

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		-	-	-
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	Total cash funds	-	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
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B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Alison Morrell	29/10/2023	

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Dec	TOTAL
90.00	3340.00
1952.90	9924.42
196.35	8187.85
0.00	0.00
2239.25	21452.27
1011.59	19556.50
425.76	6688.89
1437.35	26245.39
	-4793.12

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 01	Month 01	Year 2022		Day 31	Month 12	Year 2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	HOMELESS CAT RESCUE BEDFORDSHIRE		
Other names charity is known by			
Registered charity number (if any)	1153052		
Charity's principal address	69 WATLING GARDENS		
	DUNSTABLE		
	BEDFORDSHIRE		
	Postcode	LU6 3FD	

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	JACKIE BEAN	TRUSTEE		
2	VIKKI MILLER	TRUSTEE		
3	ALISON MORRELL	SECRETARY		
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

CONSTITUTION

How the charity is constituted
(eg. trust, association, company)

CHARITABLE UNINCORPORATED ASSOCIATION

Trustee selection methods
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

ELECTED BY MEMBERS

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

HOMELESS CAT RESCUE BEDFORDSHIRE (hereafter referred to as "HCR" for brevity) is a charity concerned with the treatment, rescue, rehabilitation, and re-homing of cats in the Beds, Herts and Bucks areas. We provide veterinary care as well as rehabilitation for cats and kittens in our foster care. Our foster carers are provided with food, cat litter, bedding and all expenses are covered by HCR. We also operate a trap, neuter and release scheme for feral cats, which helps to reduce the number of unwanted kittens, as well as reduce cross infection of diseases such as FIV and feline leukaemia.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

HCR operates via a network of foster homes. Currently, our fosterers only have the facilities to take just one or two cats in at a time, but still make a valuable contribution to the rescue and welfare of the cats and kittens that would otherwise be homeless and starving.

HCR spay / neuter all cats and kittens in our care before they are available for adoption.
All cats over the age of 12 weeks are microchipped by the charity.
This is to promote and educate responsible pet ownership, as well as to identify owners should a cat be found injured or deceased.

All involved with the running of Homeless Cat Rescue abide by the guidance issued by the Charities Commission.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

ALL CATS AND KITTENS ARE NEUTERED, MICROCHIPPED AND VACCINATED BEFORE BEING REHOMED

Grants are only ever submitted to trusts which meet and uphold the ethics that we believe in.

Our volunteers help in many ways; fundraising, fostering, donating, publicising the charity via our website and social media, making cat nip toys, holding bake sales, car boot sales, to name but a few.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The key objective of HCR is to rescue as many homeless or abandoned cats as we can; providing them with the very best care and allowing them time for rehabilitation, so that they find the best home possible for their circumstances.

2022 began with a very slow adoption rates and sadly, extremely high veterinary bills.

This was mainly due to a cat in our care that required extensive tests on what was suspected to be a neurological disorder and therefore required specialist veterinary care.

Sadly, due to the diagnosis of an aggressive tumour on her spine, the cat had to be euthanised. 12 hours of specialist care came to approximately £3000, which put a large dent in the bank account, but as we always put aside a reserve for such, this was not unexpected.

A continuing struggle in 2022 was securing veterinary appointments, due to the reduction in available vet practices, shortage of practising vets and therefore reduction in available appointments.

Therefore HCR had to continue to make appointments to out of area vets, which, in itself, increases expenditure in petrol and also in volunteer's time.

Due to the onset of war in the Ukraine, HCR saw, as everyone did, the knock on effect of price increases, in both petrol, energy prices and food prices. This was reflected in our monthly expenditure.

Fundraising always picks up in Springtime, due to being able to raise extra monies from local boot sales, cake sales etc.

Our loyal followers have continued to support us by ordering off our Amazon wish list, which saved a great deal of costs for food and litter supplies. HCR continued to run the Feed a Homeless Cat eBay listing throughout the year bringing in a small but steady supply of funds.

For cats in our care that became available for adoption, rigorous home checks and interviews continued, to ensure that we found the correct home for the cats and kittens in our care. Successful adoptions continued and picked up towards the end of the year.

Once again, 2022 brought with it some very distressing cases of animal neglect.

In particular, one cat "Magnum" which was found by a member of the public with ruptured eyeballs. The owner was identified, and the cat was signed over to our care. Magnum had to have both eyes removed and was also found to be FIV positive. Sadly, both his eye condition and his FIV diagnosis could have been avoided had the owner not neglected him. Thankfully, Magnum made a very good recovery and has adapted extremely well to being blind. He has now found a very loving indoor only home and is adored by his new owners. Due to the extent of veterinary care required for Magnum, we opened a specific fundraiser for his care, which proved very successful.

We have continued to fully prioritise our Trap, Neuter and Release campaign in 2022, to attempt to humanely control feral cat colonies in Luton and the surrounding area and to ensure feral cats get any additional veterinary care that they need.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Feeding of the feral cat community in Luton continued as normal, as it does 365 days a year, and helps to gain trust to be able to trap feral cats for neutering and veterinary care.

We maintain our belief that no healthy cat should be euthanised and that reflects in the still very low number of cats which have had to be put to sleep, only upon the recommendation of our vets.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

No official reserve, but in 2022, we agreed to maintain the reserve of £10000 to cover the ever increasing costs of emergency veterinary treatment during the ongoing issues caused by the pandemic and Brexit (lack of resources, veterinary shortages, and having to travel out of area to secure veterinary appointments) or in case of any cat requiring extensive veterinary care or UK wide search campaign.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

HCR's expenditure has again seen an increase in cost for veterinary care – in essential treatment, spay/neuter operations, emergency treatment. We have also needed to rent a garage to store our trapping equipment and bulky items.

Several rescue cases required extensive veterinary treatment (as mentioned above)

Our Trap, Neuter, Release scheme is sometimes costly in respect of veterinary bills, but extremely worthwhile, so we accept that cost entirely.

Principal sources of fundraising this year continued to be from adoptions, online donations (via Paypal / fundraising sites and a link on our website) and selling donated items on eBay and Facebook selling pages. Boot sales throughout Summer continued to bring in a small but steady income and also has a positive effect on the environment by recycling goods no longer required, meaning less goes into landfill.

Facebook has been an invaluable way of raising both the charity's profile and for fundraising. This secures donations on a monthly basis. Supporters also choose to give a monthly donation via PayPal, which is invaluable.

Towards the end of 2022, we also launched our "Moggy Monday" campaign on Facebook; a request every Monday for our followers to donate £1. The campaign has taken off very well and we are very grateful to our followers for their continued support.

Gift Aid from donations is extremely important to HCR and we always ensure that eligible people complete a form when they make a donation to the charity in order for us to make a claim with HMRC.

Section F

Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees’ report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity’s trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	ALISON MORRELL	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	SECRETARY	
Date	27/10/2023	



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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 01/01/2022	To	Period end date 31/12/2022
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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					
ADOPTIONS	2,854	-	-	2,854	3,810
FUNDRAISING	12,284	-	-	12,284	7,856
DONATIONS	9,177	-	-	9,177	12,161
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	24,315	-	-	24,315	23,827
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	24,315	-	-	24,315	23,827
A3 Payments					
VETERINARY BILLS	19,691	-	-	19,691	14,223
OTHER EXPENSES	5,178	-	-	5,178	3,269
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	24,869	-	-	24,869	17,492
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	24,869	-	-	24,869	23,827
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	16633.00	-	-	16,633	-

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		-	-	-
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	Total cash funds	-	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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			-	-
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			-	-
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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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Alison Morrell	27/10/2022	

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 01	Month 01	Year 2021		Day 31	Month 12	Year 2021

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Charity name HOMELESS CAT RESCUE BEDFORDSHIRE

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Registered charity number (if any) 1153052

Charity's principal address

69 WATLING GARDENS

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BEDFORDSHIRE

Postcode LU6 3FD

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	JACKIE BEAN	TRUSTEE		
2	VIKKI MILLER	TRUSTEE		
3	ALISON MORRELL	SECRETARY		
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	CONSTITUTION
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	CHARITABLE UNINCORPORATED ASSOCIATION
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	ELECTED BY MEMBERS

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

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Section C Objectives and activities

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HCR operates via a network of foster homes. Currently, our fosterers only have the facilities to take just one or two cats in at a time, but still make a valuable contribution to the rescue and welfare of the cats and kittens that would otherwise be homeless and starving.

As we rescue and rehabilitate within our own homes, we are in desperate need of more people who could foster for us, or provide use of safe and weatherproof sheds/outbuildings for us to house feral cats after neutering and so have had a year of vetting for suitable new foster carers.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

HCR spay / neuter all cats (and kittens over 6 months or at 2kgs in weight) before they are available for adoption. Any kittens not meeting this criteria are adopted on the understanding that the owners will be contacted and chased up for confirmation that the kitten has been spayed / neutered. All cats over the age of 12 weeks are microchipped by the charity.

This is to promote and educate responsible pet ownership, as well as to identify owners should a cat be found injured or deceased.

All involved with the running of Homeless Cat Rescue abide by the guidance issued by the Charities Commission.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- ☐ policy on grantmaking;
- ☐ policy programme related investment;
- ☐ contribution made by volunteers.

ALL CATS (INCLUDING KITTENS OVER 12 WEEKS OF AGE) ARE MICROCHIPPED AND VACCINATED BEFORE BEING REHOMED

ALL KITTENS AGED 6 MONTHS (OR WEIGHING 2KGS, WHICHEVER COMES SOONEST) ARE SPAYED/NEUTERED PRIOR TO BEING REHOMED

Grants are only ever submitted to trusts which meet and uphold the ethics that we believe in.

Our volunteers help in many ways; fundraising, fostering, donating, publicising the charity via our website and social media, making cat nip toys, holding bake sales, car boot sales, to name but a few.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The key objective of HCR is to rescue as many homeless or abandoned cats as we can; providing them with the very best care and allowing them time for rehabilitation, so that they find the best home possible for their circumstances.

2021 began in lockdown, due to COVID-19 restrictions by the UK government, so virtual home checks with prospective new homes continued.

Adoptions started off very well in January 2021, which was unusual and we ensured that we were as thorough as possible, to ensure that cats were going to the correct homes, not just as a “distraction” during lockdown.

Feeding of the feral cat community in Luton continued as normal, as it does 365 days a year.

A continuing struggle in 2021 was securing veterinary appointments – mainly due to COVID, but also less appointments and generally less vets in practice meant that HCR had to make appointments to out of area vets, which in itself, increases expenditure in petrol and also in volunteer’s time taken travelling to and from other counties.

April 2021 saw HCR able to resume car boot sales, which proved to be very successful throughout Spring and Summer months. Once again, the general public were so very generous in ordering off our Amazon wish list, which saved a great deal of costs for food and litter supplies. HCR also decided to run the Feed a Homeless Cat eBay listing throughout the year, rather than just for Nov/Dec and this proved very popular; bringing in a steady supply of funds.

For cats in our care that became available for adoption, rigorous home checks and interviews continued, to ensure that we found the correct home for the cats and kittens in our care. Successful adoptions continued throughout the year.

During 2021, we saw some particularly upsetting cases; of “owned” cats being left without necessary veterinary care. Two cases in particular that both required life changing surgery, simply due to neglect of their previous owners. Thankfully, both cats were signed over, given the necessary veterinary care and are now happily rehabilitated and in the forever homes, as much loved members of their new families.

We have continued to fully prioritise our Trap, Neuter and Release campaign in 2021, to attempt to humanely control feral cat colonies in Luton and the surrounding area and to ensure feral cats get any additional veterinary care that they need.

We maintain our belief that no healthy cat should be euthanised and that reflects in the still very low number of cats which have had to be put to sleep, only upon the recommendation of our vets.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

No official reserve, but in 2021, we agreed to maintain the reserve of £8000 to cover increasing costs of emergency veterinary treatment during COVID-19, and having to travel out of area to secure veterinary appointments, or in case of any cat requiring extensive veterinary care or UK wide search campaign.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- ☐ the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- ☐ how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- ☐ investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

HCR's expenditure has again seen an increase in cost for veterinary care - in essential treatment, spay/neuter operations, emergency treatment.

Several rescue cases required extensive veterinary treatment, such as amputations and removal of ruptured eyes; all which drain our funds very quickly.

Our Trap, Neuter, Release scheme is sometimes costly in respect of veterinary bills, but extremely worthwhile, so we accept that cost entirely.

Principal sources of fundraising this year continued to be from adoptions, online donations (via Paypal / fundraising sites and a link on our website) and selling donated items on eBay and Facebook selling pages. Thankfully, we had a successful summer raising money from selling at car boot sales.

Facebook has been an invaluable way of raising both the charity's profile and for fundraising. 2021 saw an increase in monies raised through followers choosing HCR as their charity to support for their birthday fundraiser. This secures donations on a monthly basis. Supporters also choose to give a monthly donation via PayPal, which is invaluable.

Gift Aid from donations is extremely important to HCR and we always ensure that eligible people complete a form when they make a donation to the charity.

Section F

Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	ALISON MORRELL	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	SECRETARY	
Date	22/10/2022	



Charity Name HOMELESS CAT RESCUE BEDFORDSHIRE	No (if any) 1153052
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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 01/01/2021	To	Period end date 31/12/2021
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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					
ADOPTIONS	3,810	-	-	3,810	-
FUNDRAISING	7,856	-	-	7,856	-
DONATIONS	12,161	-	-	12,161	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	23,827	-	-	23,827	24,682
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	23,827	-	-	23,827	24,682
A3 Payments					
VETERINARY BILLS	14,223	-	-	14,223	19,851
OTHER EXPENSES	3,269	-	-	3,269	3,872
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	17,492	-	-	17,492	23,723
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	23,827	-	-	-	23,723
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	12,717	-	-	-	12,717
Cash funds this year end	19657.00	-	-	-	-

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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	-	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK
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)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Alison Morrell	22/10/2022	

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

		Period start date			Period end date		
		Day 01	Month 01	Year 2020	Day 31	Month 12	Year 2020

From

To

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name HOMELESS CAT RESCUE BEDFORDSHIRE

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1153052

Charity's principal address 69 WATLING GARDENS

DUNSTABLE

BEDFORDSHIRE

Postcode

LU6 3FD

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	JACKIE BEAN	TRUSTEE		
2	VIKKI MILLER	TRUSTEE		
3	ALISON MORRELL	SECRETARY		
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

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Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	CONSTITUTION
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	CHARITABLE UNINCORPORATED ASSOCIATION
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	ELECTED BY MEMBERS

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

HCR is a charity concerned with the treatment, rescue, rehabilitation and re-homing of cats in the Beds, Herts and Bucks areas. We provide food, cat litter, bedding and veterinary care as well as rehabilitation for cats and kittens in our foster care. We also operate a trap, neuter and release scheme for feral cats, which helps to reduce the number of unwanted kittens, as well as reduce cross infection of diseases such as FIV and feline leukaemia.
HCR operates via a network of foster homes. Currently, our fosterers only have the facilities to take just one or two cats in at a time, but still make a valuable contribution to the rescue and welfare of the cats and kittens that would otherwise be homeless and starving. As we rescue and rehabilitate within our own homes, we are in desperate need of more people who could foster for us, or provide use of safe and weatherproof sheds/outbuildings for us to house feral cats after neutering and so have had a year of vetting for suitable new foster carers. HCR spay / neuter all cats (and kittens over 6 months or at 2kgs in weight) before they are available for adoption. Any kittens not meeting this criteria are adopted on the understanding that the owners will be contacted and chased up for confirmation that the kitten has been spayed / neutered. This year, we have continued to microchip all cats over the age of 12 weeks. This is to promote and educate responsible pet, as well as to identify owners should a cat be found injured or deceased. All involved with the running of Homeless Cat Rescue abide by the guidance issued by the Charities Commission.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

ALL CATS (INCLUDING KITTENS OVER 12 WEEKS OF AGE) ARE MICROCHIPPED AND VACCINATED BEFORE BEING REHOMED

ALL KITTENS AGED 6 MONTHS (OR WEIGHING 2KGS) ARE NEUTERED PRIOR TO BEING REHOMED

Grants are only ever submitted to trusts which meet and uphold the ethics that we believe in.

Our volunteers help in many ways; fundraising, fostering, donating, publicising the charity via our website and social media, making cat nip toys, holding bake sales, car boot sales, to name but a few.

Section D

Achievements and performance

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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The key objective of HCR is to rescue as many homeless or abandoned cats as we can; providing them with the very best care and allowing them time for rehabilitation, so that they find the best home possible for their circumstances.

2020 has been a year like no other, as it has for everyone.

Adoptions started off slowly, as always in February and then COVID-19 hit the UK in March.

Luckily, just before lockdown, most of our available cats and kittens were home-checked and adopted.

When lockdown began in the 3rd week of March 2020, we immediately sought government guidance and assurance that we could continue with our rescues; also the feeding of the feral cat colonies.

So, HCR continued as “normally” as possible, bearing in mind the inevitable changes to veterinary practices and waiting times for essential procedures such as spay, neuter and vaccinations.

April saw no adoptions and a vast slump in monetary donations, as we were unable to get out and fundraise. The saving grace was that we didn't have a vet bill for April. And the general public were very generous in ordering off our Amazon wishlist, which saved a great deal of costs for food and litter supplies.

For cats in our care that became available for adoption, we switched to rigorous virtual home checks and interviews, to ensure that we continued to find the correct home for the cats and kittens in our care. This proved to be a great success.

During the summer of 2020, we had a huge increase in cats and kittens, due to a hoarding situation and also due to people taking extended holidays back to their home countries and abandoning their cats here in the UK.

Thankfully, as COVID restrictions began to ease over the summer months, our volunteers were able to get out and arrange boot sales to raise funds.

We fully support our Trap, Neuter and Release campaign and continued this work throughout the year, to attempt to humanely control feral cat colonies in Luton and the surrounding area and to ensure feral cats get any additional veterinary care that they need.

We maintain our belief that no healthy cat should be euthanised and that reflects in the still very low number of cats which have had to be put to sleep, only on the recommendation of our vets.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

No official reserve, but in 2020, we have agreed to maintain the reserve of £8000 to cover increasing costs of emergency veterinary treatment during COVID-19, in case of any cat requiring extensive veterinary care or UK wide search campaign.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

HCR's expenditure has again been in the payment of veterinary bills, for essential treatment, especially as we have seen a considerable increase in the cost of veterinary care, despite receiving a charity discount at some surgeries. Due to COVID-19, we have had to look further for essential veterinary procedures such as spay and neuter operations. A hoarder situation in Summer 2020, where HCR rescued 19 cats and kittens from one household made a considerable dent in the bank account, as many were poorly and had to have extensive veterinary treatment before we could consider offering them for adoption.

Our Trap, Neuter, Release scheme is sometimes costly in respect of veterinary bills, but extremely worthwhile, so we accept that cost entirely.

Principal sources of fundraising this year continued to be from adoptions, online donations (via Paypal / fundraising sites and a link on our website) and selling donated items on eBay and Facebook selling pages. Due to COVID-19, income from boot sales diminished.

Facebook has been an invaluable way of raising both the charity's profile and also fundraising. The ability for our supporters to offer to raise money on Facebook during their birthday month has been of considerable help to us, with donations coming in on a monthly basis.

Gift Aid from donations is extremely important to HCR and we always ensure that eligible people complete a form when they make a donation to the charity.

Our seasonally themed catnip toys, knitted by volunteers did not sell as well in 2020, mainly due to the fact that the public have not been allowed inside veterinary clinics, where we stock them, due to COVID-19 – we have however, continued to sell them online.

Our "Feed a Stray at Christmas" eBay campaign was another success and helped to increase donations in the months of December. It also helps to raise the profile of our charity to a wider audience and we get support from people from all over the UK, so much so that we have decided to run it all year long in 2021, especially as we ended 2020 back in lockdown, with no possibility of raising funds through markets and street collections.

Section F

Other optional information

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Section G	Declaration
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The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	ALISON MORRELL	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	SECRETARY	
Date	27/10/2021	



Charity Name HOMELESS CAT RESCUE BEDFORDSHIRE	No (if any) 1153052
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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 01/01/2020	To	Period end date 31/12/2020
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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					
ADOPTIONS	5,259	-	-	5,259	-
FUNDRAISING	12,856	-	-	12,856	-
DONATIONS	6,567	-	-	6,567	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	24,682	-	-	24,682	14,704
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	24,682	-	-	24,682	14,704
A3 Payments					
VETERINARY BILLS	19,851	-	-	19,851	-
OTHER EXPENSES	3,872	-	-	3,872	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	23,723	-	-	23,723	12,173
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	23,723	12,173
Net of receipts/(payments)	24,682	-	-		12,173
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	14,704	-	-		14,704
Cash funds this year end	12717.00	-	-		14,704

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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	-	-	-
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B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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			-	-
			-	-
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)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Alison Morrell	27/10/2021	