



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

Cats in Distress Trustees Annual Report

For the period: 1st January 2020 to 31st December 2020

Charity registration number: 1167332

Structure, Governance and Management

Type of Governing document

- Constitution dated 25th May 2016

How is the charity Constituted?

- CIO

Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g.

- Apart from the first charity trustees, every trustee must be appointed for a term of three years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting to the charity trustees.

Objectives and Activities

Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document

As set out in the charities constitution dated 25th May 2016, our purpose is to relieve the suffering of cats in need of care and attention and, in particular to provide rescue homes or other facilities for the reception, care & treatment of such cats.

Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.

The focus of our activities remains to provide foster care for cats whilst finding them their adopted homes and to promote humane behaviour to all animals

Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit

In planning our activities for the year we have kept in mind the charity commissions guidance on public benefit at our trustees meetings.

Achievements and Performance

2021 has been an incredibly difficult year. Whilst the country was experiencing a number of lockdowns, animals were still requiring help. We worked quickly to establish key worker status for a small number of volunteers.

This status was crucial in allowing us to help a record number of cats & kittens.

This was one of the main reasons for 2021 being our busiest year, with 299 cats & kittens receiving assistance.

- 247 cats & kittens were adopted
- 10 ferals were neutered
- 19 cats were reunited with their owners
- 8 cats received medical assistance
- 15 neutering vouchers were issued

Lockdown meant our volunteer numbers were drastically reduced, throughout the year we had only 7 fosterers and 3 volunteers working at the rescue.

We built on an existing relationship with a local cattery, who offered their facilities to us when we had no extra capacity.

We reached out to another local charity & a local food bank, donating pet food that had previously been donated to us, and that we would be not able to use.

By far our biggest achievement was the construction of an additional 5 pens, incorporating a much needed isolation pen. This has doubled the number of pens allowing us to admit more cats.

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period

The Charity holds cash in the bank of £25981 this is unrestricted funds.

Details of funds materially in deficit

Not applicable

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)

Due to COVID 19 our fundraising during this period of reporting has been severely curtailed. The main source of funding was from donations and adoptions, we also received grants from Support Adoption for Pets towards the construction of our new pens and the Association of Dog & Cat Homes Emergency Covid Fund.

How expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity?

Our biggest area of expenditure this reporting year was in relation to the construction of 5 new pens and a food and litter store, this was partially funded by a grant from Support Adoption for Pets, this will significantly increase the number of cats we can admit. Our second largest expenditure was for vet fees and food, without which we could not continue our work

Name of the Trustees who manage the charity:

Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted (If not for a whole year)
Ginny Parratt	Founding trustee	NA
Claire Randall Cooke	Treasurer	NA
Amy Parratt		NA

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Full Name	Ginny Parratt
Signature	<i>Ginny Parratt</i>
Position held	Trustee
Date	03rd August 2021

Registered Charity 1167332
Payment and Receipts Account
for the period ended 31 Dec
2020

Income Received:	Gross	Net
Donations/Adoptions	45811	45811
Commission received	1869	1869
Gift Aid	4252	4252
Grants	38000	38000
Total Received	89932	89932
Expenditure:		
Vet Fees		29810
Litter, Furniture & Bedding/Covers		2509
Food, Medicines & Microchips		6846
Cleaning Materials and Storage		403
Clothing/PPE		159
Office Supplies, Marketing, Postage		658
Carriers, Crates and Traps		423
Sundry Expenses		4
Insurance		490
Tech Support/IT costs		1704
Training		180
Building Work		16298
Cat Pens		33330
Motor Expenses		582
Total Expenses		93397
Net Income		-3466
Profit for Year to Date		-3466
Opening balance at Bank		29615
Total Net Income		89932
		119547
Less Expenses		-93397
Less Cash in Hand		-168
Unreconciled payments		0
Unreconciled bankings		0
Closing Bank at 31 Dec 2020		25981
Total Funds carried forward		25981



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Cats in Distress

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 Dec 2020

**Charity no
(if any)**

1167332

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of all attached sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/12/2020**

**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 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

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

J. Usher

Date:

29/4/2021

Name:

Jenny Usher

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).