

Ty Nant Cat Sanctuary

Ty Nant Lane

Cymmer

Port Talbot

SA13 3NR

No:1169025

August 23

Charity Trustees

Teresa Ahmed – Chair

Nicola Morgan – Manager

Paula Beeforth

Julia Thomas

Trustees have met in person to discuss complex cases, fundraising and finances.

The charity is managed and run by a manager on a voluntary basis and approximately 35 part time regular volunteers, who oversee the day-to-day requirements of the cats as well as fundraising, paperwork, vet visits, sponsorship, website management, email and social media management. Grant applications and fundraising events.

Objectives of the charity

Ty-Nant is now in its 33rd year of helping cats and kittens throughout the area. These are predominantly cats that are in desperate need of help. These are cats that are abandoned, neglected, disabled, with health conditions or unwanted or kittens born outside. We offer a place of safety and will provide healthcare, sanctuary and love to these felines in need. It is also our objective to educate people on responsible cat ownership as well as consider the overpopulation of unwanted cats in the area. It is our objective to reduce these numbers through humane methods of neutering all adult cats and following up on all kittens adopted to ensure they have been neutered between 4 and 6 months. We are aware the type of cats we mostly admit to the sanctuary are in need of expensive treatment and vet attention, however we refuse to treat these cats with any less respect or love than that of a healthy cat and will not lower our standards of care by taking the euthanasia step when we are able

to help. We have a strict policy of never putting a healthy cat to sleep and are advocates for FIV positive cats and will always try and find the best homes for them, without prejudice.

Review for the last 12 months

So far during 2022/2023 we have continued to keep the numbers of cats housed to an agreed limit with our vets, this has been to reduce the stress levels of the cats coming in to our care, it is also down to finances, we need to make sure we have enough money to care for the cats in residence and also, we need to ensure we have enough volunteers to provide excellent care for the cats.

Our adoptions have been constant and cats are now in care for much shorter periods than in previous years. We have an effective adoption process in place to best match our cats and kittens to the most appropriate homes, we have only had 2 or 3 cats returned after adoption, from this process, which is far lower than previous years.

We have seen a huge increase in our vet bills in the last year, our average of £2500 a month has risen to an average of £3,744 a month, our vet bills during this period totalled £44,935.29, not fully including medication as we purchased an additional £3806 worth of meds online with prescriptions.

The increase is down to increased costs of vet treatment and also the fact that we make sure all our cats and kittens are fully vaccinated, neutered if over 4 months, microchipped, health checked and had parasite treatment with vet prescribed treatment. We have been looking at ways to decrease costs including buying cat medication online with the use of prescriptions from our vet to massively reduce costs on parasite treatment as well as other regularly used treatments.

Our vet visits to the sanctuary at least once every three weeks to health check, vaccinate and microchip the residents and operations, emergencies and other routine operations and procedures are carried out at the vet practice. During the year we had a 60% increase from the previous year, of kittens in care, which meant the vet had to attend once every 2 weeks instead as the numbers were so that we needed the additional visit to be able to adopt kittens out sooner and make space to help more. We also recruited a lot more fosterers to be able to provide help and care when we had no space at the sanctuary and arranged adoptions from the fosterer's homes.

We continue to work towards the regulations that will be coming in, in the near future, as recommended by the local authority. We are watching closely how this will affect us and would rather plan ahead so that we don't have to make any radical changes when they

come in.

We continue to neuter all adults and kittens over 4 months, who come in to help towards reducing the number of unwanted cats in rescues.

In the last 12 months we have admitted, treated and rehomed 287 cats and kittens. Mostly adults, this has included a great deal of elderly, disabled and FIV positive cats. We are very proud of our achievements and the difference we have made to the cat's quality of life and future prospects. We have rehomed 210 cats in this period, this is a breakdown of 67 adult cats and 143 kittens. 101 male and 110 female. 5 of these were FIV positive cats who went to indoor homes, 2 cats with complex needs, 9 elderly cats over 15 years, 12 feral cats were relocated to excellent outdoor homes. All adult cats were neutered whilst with us and we have followed up on all the kittens to ensure they were also neutered between 4 and 6 months. Taking to our vet to have this done where no vet availability was found by the adopter.

Charities Organisational Structure

The charity is managed and run by a manager and approximately 35 part time regular volunteers and approximately 10 – 15 occasional volunteers. The regular volunteers oversee the day to day requirements of the cats as well as fundraising, paperwork, vet visits, sponsorship, website management, email and social media management. Grant applications and fundraising events. There are no paid staff at the sanctuary including the manager who is also a volunteer.

Fundraising and income

This year we have raised funds through adoption fees, grants and sponsorship of some of the cats in our care. We received a £3420 Santa Paws appeal grant from Support Adoption for pets, we received a further £702 Easter appeal from them as we were nominated as the Pets at Home Port Talbot store charity of the year which allows us to participate in store towards the grants. We received a £4000 grant from Lush. A further £448 from promoting the sanctuary in store during a charity pot party they held for our cause. We also received £500 from animal friends' insurance and also £1417 from the amazon smile service. Our remaining funds were acquired through online fundraising, adoptions, donations and sponsorship.

We have made changes to ensure we have enough funds to care for the cats in our care by reducing the number we admit as we need to make sure we are able to provide them with the medical care they need.

In the last financial period, we had an income of £53,188 and outgoings totalling £66,579. 91.6% of our income (73% of overall spend) was spent on vet bills and medication, this does not include the additional specialist diets food we had to purchase and medical equipment like the incubator for poorly kittens, which is why we had an overspend of £13,000. We need to try and work within our means next year as our reserves will not withstand another deficit of over £13,000 without increasing our income and fundraising.

Reserves

We don't have a reserve policy in place; however, we do currently have a bank balance of £18,787 in our HSBC account. We will however monitor this and adjust our intake where required or look at alternative fundraising routes as vet bills are now almost always over £4000 a month, so are well aware that this won't last long without additional fundraising.

Financial Review

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose accuracy at any time in the financial position of the charity. They are also responsible for safeguarding any assets of the company and taking steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Risks

The Trustees have assessed the major risks.

Main concerns are around the financial implication on bringing the sanctuary up to the new ADCH guidelines to see where we need to improve and make adjustments etc to ensure we are ready for when it comes in. We are aware that we need to spend a significant amount on repairs to the cattery and upgrade our premises when the requirements come in for alternative accommodation types.

We used the grant from Lush to purchase additional pens to increase capacity for cats, however we can only use these during the summer months as they do not have heating for the colder nights, we will look to improve these ready for next summer's use.

We have seen an increase in abandonment and requests for relinquishment in the last year due to cost-of-living crisis. We have seen a big increase in vets contacting us as well as members of the public to help with abandoned and dumped cats. There has also been a

boom in kittens being born this year and we worry about the knock-on effect this will have in the coming years for cat welfare.

Next 12 months

Our plan is to continue to work towards the criteria for the new guidelines.

Fundraise as much as possible to support more cats.

Apply for more grants.

Increase our volunteer group and look at ways to make volunteering fun.

Increase foster placements, for elderly, scared and complex needs cats.

Educate where possible, on responsible cat ownership through our social media platform.

Continue to provide the 4 basics of neuter, microchip, vaccinate and parasite treat prior to adoption, where possible.

Tynant Cat Sanctuary

Receipts and Payments Accounts for the Year Ended 31st August 2023

2022

£	Receipts	
6,320	Adoption Fees	13,833
27,868	Donations	31,302
9,999	Sponsorship of Cats	12,084
4,329	Support Adoption for Pets Grant Funding	11,652
0	CCTV	654
<u>48,516</u>		<u>69,525</u>

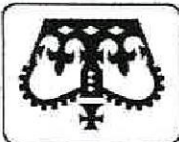
Payments

4350	Wages	1,477
10,001	Cat Supplies	25,657
1,555	Medical Supplies	3,806
27,448	Veterinarian Fees	44,983
2,299	Cleaning and Repairs	685
530	Printing, Postage & Stationery	205
783	Computer Expenses	389
485	Bank & Paypal Charges	133
254	Insurance	257
480	Accountancy Fees	480
63	Sundry Expenses	483
<u>48,248</u>	Equipment - Cat Pens	<u>4500</u> 83,055
268	Net Receipts	(13,530)

33,260	Cash Funds at 31st August 2022	33,528
<u>£33,528</u>	Cash Funds at 31st August 2023	<u>£19,998</u>

Cash Funds

32,178	Cash at Bank : HSBC	18,787
1,350	Cash in Hand	1,211
<u>£ 33,528</u>		<u>£19,998</u>



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's
report on the accounts

Section A
Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Tyngot Cat Sanctuary

On accounts for the year
ended

31st August 2023
Charity no (if any) 1169025

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

Responsibilities and
basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above
charity ("the Trust") for the year ended
2011 ("the Act").
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").

Independent
examiner's statement

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.
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

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.
* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Peter Jenkins

Name:

PETER JENKINS

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

FCCA

Address:

34-35 Tyngot Street
Port Talbot
SA13 1BT

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

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

Section A

Receipts and Payments

Charity name
TYNANT CAT SANCTUARY

Charity number (if any)
1 1 6 9 0 2 5

For the period from (start date)
0 1 0 9 2 2

to (end date)
3 1 0 8 2 3

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Receipts and payments

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Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

B1 Cash funds

Details			
Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	
18787			
0			
1211			
1998			
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			
Total cash funds			
HSBC			
Barclays Bank			
Petty Cash			

B2 Other monetary assets

Details			
Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the 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

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Details			
Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)	

Date of approval

Print name

Signature