

Here for Cats

Cat Rescue for Surrey



Charity Number 1172317

Report of the Trustees and Independently Examined Accounts for the Year Ended 31st December 2024



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Company Information
31st December 2024

COMPANY NUMBER 1172317
VAT NUMBER 336 8150 96

TRUSTEES

Jan Watson	appointed 22.2.17
Lesley Baughan	appointed 22.2.17
Joyce Wilson	appointed 16.6.22
Elspeth Beswick	appointed 29.06.24
Louise Marsh	appointed 7.1.25

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Trustee's Report

For the Year Ended 31st December 2024

Governing document

Here for Cats (HFC) is a Charitable Incorporated Organization registered on 29 March 2017. No amendments have been made to date.

Charity Trustee Selection Methods

The charity was formed by a small group of individuals with many years of experience in cat rescue and rehoming. We are actively looking for additional trustees with wider experience to help grow our charity to the next level. Trustees must be appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the existing trustees. Trustees will be selected with regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.

Summary of the Objectives of the Charity

We aim to rescue and rehabilitate cats and kittens without homes, to find them loving new homes and to assist the public to rehome animals they can no longer care for. A further aim is to promote higher welfare standards through public education and involvement in the care of animals.

Our vision statement is: To give every cat its best life.

Our mission statement is: Working together to improve the lives of cats now and in the future.

Main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objectives

Figures for the year (last years figures in brackets)

- 5(4) Direct Rehome
- 165(166) Neutered
- 39(29) Assisted with vet fees
- 29(41) Released back into the wild (TNR)
- 164(150) Rehomed

We have garden pens in homes, dedicated pens in a local cattery and

space in others when available, and a growing and flexible network of caring foster homes throughout Surrey and neighbouring counties to enable us to take cats into our care.

In addition we offer a direct rehoming service to rehome cats from existing homes where possible. This policy makes it a less stressful process for the animals and owners and allows HFC to help more animals as our pen spaces can be used for homeless animals and urgent cases.

HFC works with a number of veterinary practices, in Surrey and surrounding areas and also work in cooperation with other local charities thus maximizing our ability to help members of the public and animals in need.

Trustees have regard to Section 17(5) of the Charities Act and the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 in the operation of the charity and work hard to ensure that the money raised is spent to benefit the animals, either directly on their health and welfare, or to raise the profile of the charity to attract more homes, supporters and volunteers.

Cats coming into our care are health checked, neutered, vaccinated and microchipped before rehoming. We follow up to ensure the animals and new owners are happy in the new relationship. We can offer behavioural advice, animal communication and bereavement counselling should the need arise. These services have allowed a significant number of animals to remain with their original owners.

Online homechecking is now standard except in certain circumstances. We conduct comprehensive intake interviews so that we can best understand the needs of the individual cats.

We operate a Golden Oldies policy where we will cover certain conditions in older cats to increase our ability to find them suitable homes in their old age.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

It has been another busy year with more pressure than ever on our resources, both in terms of homes available and individuals needing our help. We have had long waiting lists and have done our best to offer advice and support to those in need of help while they wait. We continue to support a couple of local pet food banks with donated food, also purchasing and distributing food where necessary. The decrease in good homes coming forward and the lack of affordable vet care continues to be a worry. There is an increase in feral colonies resulting in an increased need to trap, neuter and release (TNR) where appropriate, and to our offering neutering where we can.

Our partner cattery which is located on the Surrey/Hampshire border is

working well. We have been rehoming from there since June last year. We have a separate entrance and exclusive access to three pens, one can accommodate 4 cats and the others 2 each. Opaque panels separate the pens thereby minimizing stress levels. We have a waterproof shed on-site for storage of cat beds, litter trays, food, carriers etc. All of the cats, many of whom are anxious when they first arrive, receive support with socialization from our cattery team. They work together with the Adoption Co-ordinator to establish the requirements for the best home for each cat.

Last October we made the decision to increase the hours of our administrator to full time to deal with the ever increasing administrative burden and to oversee the adoption process. This has resulting in us increasing our adoption rate in a difficult environment and freeing the operations manager to do more problem solving in the community.

Once again we had stalls at the RSPCA Fun Dog Fair in Chobham and at the Cranleigh Carnival. In addition we were lucky to have the support of the residents of Caenwood Close in Weybridge who, led by one of our supporters ran a fair on our behalf.

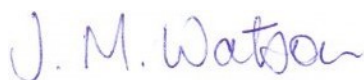
To attract legacies we are members of Remember a Charity. We are also members of the ADCH, the Association of Dogs and Cats Homes. ADCH represents the views of animal welfare charities to the government and is an excellent resource for the charity. Our data is provided annually to the Association of Dogs and Cats homes (ADCH) for analysis and will be used in their own impact and strategic plan.

As of the end of December 2024 we have over 7,700 facebook followers.

We use Shelter Manager to record and audit the trail of each cat that we help. This also provides us with valuable data for our impact and strategy going forward.

Policy on reserves

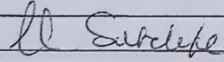
Based on 2023 income and taking into account 1 year's operating costs. HFC have agreed that one year's operating costs will be kept in reserve to cover employment costs, cattery fees, vet bills, catfood and litter and van lease.



Jan Watson
Treasurer

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Independent Examiner's Report (for Year Ended 31st Dec 2024)

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	HERE FOR CATS		
On accounts for the year ended	31st December 2024	Charity no (if any)	1172317
Set out on pages	1-6		
	I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 / 12 / 2024		
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: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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:		Date:	20/10/2025
Name:	MICHELE SUTCLIFFE		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):			
Address:	2 WOHSEY DRIVE WATTON ON THAMES KT12 3AY		

Here for Cats **Balance Sheet** At 31st December 2024

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	Notes	2024	2023
		£	£
Fixed Assets	3	1225	1838
Current Assets			
Debtors		2849	2612
Cash at Bank		255693	281367
		258542	283979
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		3163	2836
			1638
Net Current Assets		<u>255379</u>	<u>281143</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>256604</u>	<u>282981</u>
Funds			
Unrestricted Funds	5	256604	228279
Restricted Funds			54702
		<u>256604</u>	<u>282981</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on August 7th 2025 and were signed on its behalf by

J. M. Watson

Jan Watson
Trustee

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Notes on Financial Statements

At 31st December 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognized in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognized as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the Trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

2. DEPRECIATION

Depreciation has been provided on all fixed assets at rates designed to write off their cost or valuation less any residual value over their estimated useful lives.

Office Equipment 33% straight line basis
Equipment 25% straight line basis

3. **FIXED ASSETS**

	Equipment	Office Equipment	Total
<u>Cost</u>			
As at 1 st January 2024	2451	1016	3467
At 31st December 2024	<u>2451</u>	<u>1016</u>	<u>3467</u>
<u>Aggregate Depreciation</u>			
As at 1 st January 2024	613	1016	1629
Charge for the year	<u>613</u>		<u>613</u>
As at 31 st December 2024	<u>1226</u>	<u>1016</u>	<u>2242</u>
<u>Net Book Value</u>			
At 31st December 2024	<u>1225</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1225</u>

4. **TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2024.

5. **MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 1.1.24	Net Mvmt in funds	At 31.12.24
Unrestricted Funds			
General Fund	228279	28325	256604

fund (net movement is income (not Felix) £104633 less general expenses of £76308)

Restricted Funds

Felix Fund	54702	(54702)
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Net movement in Funds
included in the above are as
follows:-

Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Movement in Funds
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Unrestricted Funds

General Fund	104633	76308	28325
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(Resources expended is total expenditure £131010
less spent from Felix £54702)

Restricted Funds

Felix Fund	0	54702	-54702
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(Resources expended is vets fees £36904 plus food £2060
plus boarding fees £16425)

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Profit and Loss Account

For the Year Ended 31st December 2024

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REVENUE ACCOUNT

For the Year Ended 31st December 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Income		
Donations	53266	48635
Fundraising	7604	1583
Gift Aid	9772	8640
Legacies	27500	44558
Interest Received	6594	4739
	<hr/> 104736	<hr/> 108155
Overheads		
Veterinary Fees	36904	41036
Food/Litter	2060	4216
Wages	58646	44140
Employers Pension	3366	1992
Class 1a NIC	599	623
Training		145
Van Leasing	1092	1157
Motor	1585	1408
Garage Rent	1000	1000
Boarding Fees	16425	11375
Equipment	181	
Repairs & Renewals		200
Software	612	365
Website costs	527	882
Telephone	350	387
Insurance	959	898
Subscriptions	425	412
Postage & Stationery		
Advertising	1250	
Bank Charges		
Microchips	1458	
Depreciation	613	613
Sundries	456	293
	<hr/> 131010	<hr/> 113335
Profit(Loss) for the Year	<hr/> -26274	<hr/> -5180

