



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From: 1 May 2023 **Period start date** **To: 30 April 2024** **Period end date**

Charity name: USK NEW START CAT RESCUE

Charity registration number: 1179707

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To promote humane behaviour towards cats and kittens by providing appropriate care, protection, treatment and security for such animals. To advance the education of the public in matters pertaining to animal welfare in general and the prevention of cruelty and suffering. To provide therapy cats to people who are in need as a result disability
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.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To provide a loving, safe and secure future for all cats and kittens who are vulnerable through no fault of their own.• To rescue cats within the South East Wales region, bring into foster with our volunteers, nurture and bring them back to good health if unwell or injured and to ensure their future wellbeing through a thorough adoption process.• To educate our communities to be caring and considerate to cats and to understand their obligation as responsible pet owners to provide them with love, shelter, nutrition and veterinary care when needed.• To work with those in our communities who have special needs, whether physically or mentally disabled or with other special needs, by providing therapy cats.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees of Usk New Start Cat Rescue are familiar with the Charity Commission Guidance on public benefit and remain mindful of the guidance when carrying out the work of the rescue.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>During this period, Usk New Start Cat Rescue rehomed 89 cats and kittens. We work very hard to ensure appropriate placements based on the cat/kitten's characteristics and the environment and dynamics of the prospective new home. We conduct home checks and have thorough discussions with any prospective adopters. As Covid restrictions lifted, physical home checks were conducted but where restrictions prevented this, thorough video checks, discussions, roadside check and vet checks took place to ensure the appropriateness of a placement. We continued to work with the community to help find missing cats, reunite found/stray cats with their owners and to support with advice and education where appropriate. Our fundraising capability continued to be impacted during the period. Funds were raised by online appeals, raffles and donations. Funds raised have been used to pay our vet bills and fund the additional food, litter and routine medication (flea and worm treatment, kitten formula etc) required above the donations we</p>

		receive for the cats in our foster care.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	At the end of the period the Charity had £ 8776 cash in the bank. Annual summary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening Balance in Bank £ 6679 • Income from Donations & Fundraising £93252 • Payments £91155 • Closing Balance in Bank £ 8776
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	As a small charity with no fixed outgoings, Usk New Start Cat Rescue does not operate with a defined reserve. Funds are reviewed on a weekly basis by the treasurer and reviewed formally at each trustee meeting.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Zero
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	In the event of a situation requiring funding beyond normal, budgeted levels, we will launch an appeal or stage a fund raising event.
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	n/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	n/a

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Donations • Raffles • Online appeals and events • Coach Trips • Fayres
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	n/a
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Veterinary costs continue to increase along with demand of more cats requiring foster and medical treatment/neutering
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		CIO
Type of governing document (trust deed , royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association , CIO)	Para 1.25	Trust
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Appointed by Board of Trustees.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Usk New Start Cat Rescue
Other name the charity uses	UNSCR
Registered charity number	1179707
Charity's principal address	92 Maryport Street Usk Monmouthshire NP15 1AH

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	Samantha Murray			
2	Helen Myden	Chair		
3	Beverley Dalglish	Treasurer		
4	Tracy Brace			
5	Sharon Griffiths			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
n/a		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
n/a		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	n/a
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	n/a
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	n/a

Additional information (optional)

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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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

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Full name(s)

HELEN MYDEN

Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

CHAIR

Date

10 FEBRUARY 2025

USK NEW START CAT RESCUE - 1179707

30 April 2024

1 May 2023 -

Balance Sheet

Usk New Start Cat Rescue

As of 30 Apr 24	
Assets	
Cash On Hand	
Lloyds BB Inst Online Account No: 69984960	£8,197.21
Lloyds Treasurers Account No: 62406568	£456.35
Paypal	£121.95
sumup Account No: 56376759	£1.00
Total Cash On Hand	£8,776.51
Collection Buckets & Vests	£75.00
Donated Stock	£2,500.00
Total Assets	£11,351.51
Liabilities	
Total Liabilities	£0.00
Net Assets	£11,351.51
Equity	
Current Earnings	£6,416.52
Retained Earnings	£4,934.99
Total Equity	£11,351.51

Profit and Loss

Usk New Start Cat Rescue

May 23 - Apr 24	
Income	
Bank Interest	£56.25
Donations	£49,520.51
Fundraising	£33,043.03
Gift Aid	£4,044.65
Grant	£6,587.70
Total Income	£93,252.14
Expenses	
Direct Costs	
Cost of Charitable Activities	£12,625.31
Cost of Fund Raising Events	£15,622.73
Total Direct Costs	£28,248.04
Overheads	
Advertising	£24.00
Finance Costs	
Paypal Fees	£60.51
Sumup Fees	£7.69
Total Finance Costs	£68.20
Gambling Licence	£20.00
Kitty Shack Rental	£960.00
Pet Medication	£4,419.13
Public Liability Insurance	£234.03
Vet Bills	£57,181.76
Total Overheads	£62,907.12
Total Expenses	£91,155.16
Net Income	£2,096.98



CHARITY COMMISSION

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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members
of

Charity Name

USK NEW START CAT RESCUE

Report on accounts for the year
ended

30 APRIL 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1179707

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Responsibilities and basis of
report

Independent examiner's
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Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date: 10 FEBRUARY 2025

Name:

CHRIS MYDEN

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

Address:

Section B

Disclosure

