

# CAT SQUAD SOUTH EAST

England & Wales · Charity number 1195112

## Details

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Other names	Cat Squad South Essex
Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2021-07-09
Register	<a href="#">View on the Charity Commission register</a>

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT IN THE SOUTH EAST OF ENGLAND, TO PROMOTE HUMANE BEHAVIOUR TOWARDS CATS AND KITTENS AND TO RELIEVE THE SUFFERING AND DISTRESS OF CATS AND KITTENS WHO ARE IN NEED OF CARE AND PROTECTION DUE TO SICKNESS, NEGLECT OR MALTREATMENT BY THE PROVISION OF A RESCUE AND REHOMING SERVICE.

**Activities:** For the public benefit in the South East of England, to promote humane behaviour towards cats and kittens and to relieve the suffering and distress of cats and kittens who are in need of care and protection due to sickness, neglect or maltreatment by the provision of a rescue and rehoming service.

## Classification

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

## Geography

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- Essex
- Southend-on-sea

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£8,444	£10,460	-	-
2024-03-31	£9,601	£10,074	-	-
2023-03-31	£9,846	£9,079	-	-
2022-03-31	£9,051	£4,678	-	-

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
Patricia Anne Davies	Chair	2022-08-16
Louise Anne Hunt		2024-03-22

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# Accounts

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Charity Name: CAT SQUAD SOUTH EAST		Charity No	1195112
Annual accounts for the period		Company No	
Period start date: 1/4/2024		To period end date: 31/3/2025	

## Section B Balance sheet

	Guidance note	Unrestricted funds £ F01	Restricted income funds £ F02	Endowment funds £ F03	Total this year £ F04	Total last year £ F05
<b>Fixed assets</b>						
Intangible assets (Note 15)	B01	-	-	-	-	-
Tangible assets (Note 14)	B02	-	-	-	-	-
Heritage assets (Note 16)	B03	-	-	-	-	-
Investments (Note 17)	B04	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total fixed assets</b>	B05	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Current assets</b>						
Stocks (Note 18)	B06	-	-	-	-	-
Debtors (Note 19)	B07	-	-	-	-	-
Investments (Note 17.4)	B08	-	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand (Note 24)	B09	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total current assets</b>	B10	-	-	-	-	-
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year (Note 20)	B11	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net current assets/(liabilities)</b>	B12	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>	B13	-	-	-	-	-
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year (Note 20)	B14	-	-	-	-	-
Provisions for liabilities	B15	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total net assets or liabilities</b>	B16	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Funds of the Charity</b>						
Endowment funds (Note 27)	B17	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted income funds (Note 27)	B18	-	-	-	-	-
Unrestricted funds	B19	7633	-	-	-	-
Revaluation reserve	B20	-	-	-	-	-
Fair value reserve	B21	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total funds</b>	B22	7633	-	-	-	-

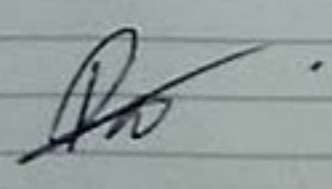
The company was entitled to exemption from audit under s477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act with respect to accounting

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with FRS102 SORP.

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



Signature of director authenticating accounts being sent to Companies House

Print Name	Date of approval dd/mm/yyyy
PATRICIA DAVIES	29/1/2026
Signature	Date dd/mm/yyyy
	Print name

Charity Name CAT SQUAD SOUTH EAST		Charity No 1195112	
		Company No -	
Annual accounts for the period			
Period start date	<del>31/03/2024</del>	To	Period end date 31/3/2025
	1/03/2024		

## Section A Statement of financial activities (including summary income and expenditure account)

Recommended categories by activity	Balance b/f	Unrestricted funds £ F01	Restricted income funds £ F02	Endowment funds £ F03	Total funds £ F04	Prior year funds £ F05
<b>Income (Note 3)</b>						
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>						
Donations and legacies	S01	6020 -	-	-	6020 -	-
Charitable activities	S02	7700 -	-	-	7700 -	-
Other trading activities	S03	-	-	-	-	-
Investments	S04	-	-	-	-	-
Separate material item of income	S05	-	-	-	-	-
Other	S06	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	S07	13720 -	-	-	13720 -	4373 -
<b>Expenditure (Notes 6)</b>						
<b>Expenditure on:</b>						
Raising funds	S08	0 -	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	S09	10460 -	-	-	-	-
Separate material expense item	S10	-	-	-	-	-
Other	S11	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	S12	<del>1488</del> 10460	-	-	-	-
<b>Net income/(expenditure) before tax for the reporting period</b>	S13	3260	-	-	-	-
Tax payable	S14	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net income/(expenditure) after tax before investment gains/(losses)</b>	S15	3260	-	-	-	-
Net gains/(losses) on investments	S16	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>	S17	3260	-	-	-	-
<b>Extraordinary items</b>	S18	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Transfers between funds</b>	S19	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Other recognised gains/(losses):</b>						
Gains and losses on revaluation of fixed assets for the charity's own use	S20	-	-	-	-	-
Other gains/(losses)	S21	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	S22	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>						
Total funds brought forward	S23	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	S24	7633	-	-	-	-

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1/04/2023 To 31/03/2024

Charity name: Cat Squad South Essex

Charity registration number: 1195112

**Objectives and Activities: Rescue and rehoming of stray, abandoned and vulnerable cats.**

For the public benefit in the South East of England, to promote humane behaviour towards cats and kittens and to relieve the suffering and distress of cats and kittens who are in need of care and protection due to sickness, neglect or maltreatment by the provision of a rescue and rehoming service.

The working model of operation has continued to be successful.

During the reporting period Cat Squad attracted some very solid and reliable volunteers bringing the total number of volunteers to 22 and relieving much of the work burden from the trustees.

The Charity Commission guidance has proved an invaluable operating model and the trustees have fully complied

**Additional information**

Policy on grant making:

The trustees took the decision not to continue with the vision of grant making for neutering or microchipping for two reasons.

1 - Cat Squad have never generated the required funds to do so and the income appears to have settled below £10,000 pa.

2- The local Cats Protection branch make full cost grants for neutering and spaying to anybody irrespective of income status. This activity by Cats Protection makes it unnecessary for Cat Squad to do so. When people ask Cat Squad for help with neutering costs the enquirers are referred to Cats Protection. Consequently this service is covered.

**Contributions made by volunteers:**

Whilst the governing document allows trustees to claim out of pocket expenses from the charity, a decision made by the trustees that trustees would self fund with the exception of vet bills and excessive expenses was upheld during the reporting period. It is expected that this will become written policy.

This decision to continue this policy was upheld and taken by unanimous vote of the trustees because it was felt that as the charity asks fosterers to self fund, the trustees must lead by example.

Going forward this is to be written into the governing document and will be done by the next reporting period.

**The Silver Rose Scheme.**

The Silver Rose scheme was piloted and a dedicated volunteer joined the team dedicated to scheme.

This scheme was to help and facilitate elderly and infirm people keep a pet cat(s).

Five elderly people joined the scheme but it was found younger people were attempting to sign up their parents and grandparents which was not the intention of the scheme. Silver Rose was intended for people with no family support. The scheme was discontinued after the trustees and dedicated volunteer found the members families troublesome and too demanding, making claims on the charity that were neither agreed nor published as part of the scheme. A particularly troublesome factor was finding that people were being dishonest on application just to get into the scheme.

It was decided to discontinue the Silver Rose but keep the people already signed up which are currently only three people. As time passes the scheme will come to a natural end.

**Financial**

Cat Squad succeeded in its financial policy of charging a set adoption fee of £120. With the steep increase in veterinary costs and with veterinary bills being the main expenditure it was decided not to increase the adoption

fee but instead cut costs elsewhere. Cat Squad no longer vaccinate young kittens if they are rehomed before 16 weeks and the new owners are advised to vaccinate the kittens themselves.

Kittens over 16 weeks in Cat Squad's care are vaccinated nevertheless.

That level of fee and revised vaccination policy successfully sustained the veterinary care required.

The limiting factor to Cat Squads operations had was the lack of volunteers. Whilst Cat Squads took on 20 volunteers stray cats and pregnant cats never stopped coming and even 20 wasn't enough.

Funding was not a problem as people willingly donated to Cat Squad and the adoption fees were acceptable.

Ongoing Cat Squad must recruit a dedicated fundraiser.

Patricia Davies

Trustee Cat Squad South Essex



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## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from 01/04/2023 To 31/03/2024

### 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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations general	-	-	-	3,691	-
Rehoming Fees	-	-	-	5,910	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	-	-	-	9,601	9,051
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
NONE	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>	-	-	-	9,601	9,051
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Vet bills	-	-	-	10,519	2,425
Fuel	-	-	-	279	223
Catfood and sundries	-	-	-	2,198	2,030
Microchips	-	-	-	451	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	12,447	4,373
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
None	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total payments</b>	-	-	-	12,447	4,373
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	-	-	-	-	4,678
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	-	-	-	4,373	4,678

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During the above period Cat Squad successfully rescued 53 cats and rehomed 47 of those cats with six still in foster care at the beginning of the next period. This number was disappointing and due to the slow rehoming of cats in cars compared to the previous year.

Because of the slowness to rehome and the higher demand on our services the charity trustees spent much time diverting stray cats and their finders to other charities.

There has been a higher number of cats abandoned and a higher number of enquiries from members of the public asking the charity to take their cats due to an inability to keep them. There has been a high number of female cats abandoned because of neutering costs.

Rising veterinary bills which are rising out of proportion to inflation seem to be due to investment companies monopolising the veterinary practices pushing veterinary costs out of the reach of many people. These people have contacted Cat Squad and asked for help. Cat Squad have a good relationship with a private veterinary practice whose fees are affordable and have sent these people to that private vet. Those enquirers all kept their cats without exception.

The trustees concluded that cats are being abandoned and given up due to unaffordable veterinary costs. The rising cost of cat food may play a part but the significant factor seemed to be vet fees.

Additional information

Policy on grant making:

Cat Squad have not made any grants despite the initial vision.

The intention was to grant funds to the public for neutering and spaying and help towards vet bills in exceptional circumstances. Cat Squad had not generated the funds it considers it needs to expand its operation to facilitate grant making.

The treasurer of the charity was once advised by a Charity Commission officer that a small charity of this nature required a £10000 float plus another £5000 working capital. Cat Squad have not achieved that to date.

Contributions made by volunteers:

Cat Squad had a high turnover of volunteers during the reporting period with a stable base of just five people.

Volunteers appear to be uncommitted but the charity is not in a position to employ paid workers.

Conclusion.

Cat Squad succeeded in rescuing 53 cats and rehoming 47 cats in its first year operating as a charity and regard this as a success.

Cat Squad succeeded in its financial policy of charging a set adoption fee of £120.

That level of fee successfully sustained the veterinary care required.

Cat Squad continued to pilot the Silver Rose scheme and a volunteer dedicated to that scheme alone joined the team.

However, due to a lack of volunteers and funds the scheme is not currently being promoted.

The limiting factor to Cat Squads operations had was not only the lack of volunteers but the unreliability of volunteers.

Funding was not a problem as people willingly donated to Cat Squad and the adoption fees were acceptable.

Ongoing the trustees must reinforce a recruitment drive as the lack of volunteers had been Cat Squads limiting factor.

A dedicated fundraiser joined the team and was successful but sadly left after only a few months due to work commitments. A replacement fundraiser has not been found but the search is ongoing.

It is foreseen that rising costs might present problems ongoing.

Signed

Patricia Davies  
Trustee Cat Squad South Essex

## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

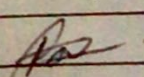
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>5,140</b>	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		Patricia Davies	09/05/2024

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During the above period Cat Squad successfully rescued 72 cats and rehomed 69 of those cats with three still in foster care at the beginning of the next period. The trustees made these rescues and rehomes while successfully maintaining a credit bank balance despite regular vet bills. The working model of operation was successful but services need to be expanded ongoing as enquiries from the public are often referred to other rescues.

The Charity Commission guidance has proved an invaluable operating model and the trustees have fully complied

Additional information

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Contributions made by volunteers:

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This decision was taken by unanimous vote of the trustees because it was felt that as the charity asks fosterers to self fund, the trustees must lead by example.

Going forward this is to be written into the governing document.

Volunteers during the period 9/7/2021 - 31/03/2023 were limited to the trustees. Other extraneous help was offered by supporters.

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Volunteers during the period 9/7/2021 - 31/03/2023 were limited to the trustees. Other extraneous help was offered by supporters.

Conclusion.

Cat Squad succeeded in rescuing 72 cats and rehoming 69 cats in its first year operating as a charity and regard this as a success.

Cat Squad succeeded in its financial policy of charging a set adoption fee (which had to be increased from £70 to £120).

That level of fee successfully sustained the veterinary care required.

Cat Squad had not achieved its vision of serving the South East of England and has had to limit its activities to a smaller local area of South Essex. Serving this smaller area has been successful.

Cat Squad piloted the Silver Rose scheme which has had very limited success and due to a lack of volunteers is not currently being promoted.

The limiting factor to Cat Squads operations had was the lack of volunteers.

Funding was not a problem as people willingly donated to Cat Squad and the adoption fees were acceptable.

Ongoing the trustees must reinforce a recruitment drive as the lack of volunteers had been Cat Squads limiting factor.

Signed

Patricia Davies

Trustee Cat Squad South Essex

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## 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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>		4,373	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	4,373	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			

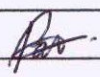
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>		0	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>		0	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	none	0	-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	PATRICIA ANNE DAVIES	9/01/2023