



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 To 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025

**Charity name: Cats Rescue Gloucestershire & Swindon**

**Charity registration number: 1203344**

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	Cats Rescue Gloucestershire & Swindon was created for the care and re-homing of cats that are abandoned, mistreated or lost, along with the control of feral cat populations. Our aim is to help any cat in need, promoting kindness and suppressing cruelty wherever possible. Our goal is to ensure that as many cats as possible are not left alone on the street.
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	Our activities include trapping, facilitating neutering, veterinary care and treatment; Fostering, rehoming and rehabilitating and working with other charities to identify appropriate re-homing options. We are the first responders and the experts that the public can turn to when they are concerned about the cat that they have found or have been feeding.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	I can confirm that the Trustees manage the charity in such a way as to ensure that the focus is on achieving the purpose that it was set up to achieve for the public benefit.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/A

Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	We very much appreciate the many hours the volunteers have spent trapping/rescuing stray and feral cats in need, fostering, transportation, managing social media, administration, listening to and giving advice to the general public as well as managing the charity; Without this valuable contribution of time, energy and expertise we would not have been able to achieve as much as we have.
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><b>Facebook</b> Our donations/fund raising relies heavily on public awareness and we have increased our followers on Facebook from 4000 followers in July 23 to 14,000 followers in Sept 24 and 16000 followers in March 25.</p> <p><b>Instagram</b> increased from 316 followers and 1237 posts from July 23 to Mar 24 and then 515 followers with 2185 posts from April 24 to March 25</p> <p><b>TikTok</b> Increased in the last year from 31.6k likes and 1959 followers to 86k likes and 2282 followers.</p> <p><b>Catio</b> - We had an increased gift aid award due to the increase in donations so were able to fund a Catio for some of our Foster Cats; the benefit of this is that it gives foster cats a way to experience the outdoors and encourages physical activity and exercise.</p> <p><b>Growth in adoptions</b> - Year on year increase in rehoming, adoptions, TNR and the number of incoming calls for request of help or advice.</p> <p><b>Review of Adoption policy</b> - Review of procedures with agreed addition of</p>

		<p>follow up On neuter/Spay and refresher training for all Fosterers.</p> <p><b>Growth in Donations</b> – Increase in the number of regular direct debit donations and also donations overall.</p> <p><b>Open Day &amp; Tea Party</b> – The charity held its second open day/fund raiser in May 25, members of the public were able to meet the Volunteer/Foster team as well as the Trustees. They were also able to meet a number of rescued cats and read more about recent rescues. We also had a raffle and sold donated goods; it was a huge success, doubling what we made the previous year. We also held our very first ‘Tea Party’ in September 25 where we invited a few of our supporters to have afternoon tea with a couple of trustees and fosterers and meet some of our recent rescues/foster cats. This worked very well as we were able to spend more time with each supporter and we plan to offer more of these.</p> <p><b>Vet Partnership</b> We have changed our partnership to a new Vet practice to give us more flexibility with treating our cats, this has also given us the opportunity to understand vet exemption and save the charity some funds.</p> <p><b>Additional Storage</b> As we increase the number of Cats we rescue/foster and our supporters have increased we receive more donations so were in need of additional storage. We have been using the garage of one of our volunteers/Fosterers and have installed new locks to the garage door and also purchased racking.</p> <p><b>Future Plans</b> To focus on grants and larger donations to fund additional garden rooms to enable us to help more cats.</p>
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#### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	We completed work on the Garden Room at our headquarters (after being awarded funding the previous year), this was a real achievement as it gives
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		<p>an extra room for rescued Cats and also offers lots of enrichment for the cats.</p> <p>We also started to do regular lottery style games to support our funds.</p>
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>We have had a large increase in the number of regular donations by direct debit and our total donations have increased year on year. We have also started doing games</p>
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	
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We hold funds to cover 3 months of vets bills
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£10,000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
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	No concerns, but to enable us to grow and increase the number of Cats we can help we will be focusing on grants and larger donations.

### 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	The main income of the charity is donations from our followers and as our followers increase on social media then so has both our regular and ad hoc donations. We also run regular lottery/scratch card style games on our facebook page as well as having an active fund raising site that sells donated and purchased Cat related items. We are working on various grants to supplement our income and help to grow to enable us to save more lives.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The principle risk is the inability to grow and be able to help more animals if we are not successful in applying for grants or large donations.
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		N/A
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	Unincorporated association
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	Trustees are appointed or reappointed annually and the Annual General Meeting held in June

### 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	Review and update of Fostering Policy, Land Rental Policy, Feral Cat Placement Policy, Infection Control, Investing Charity Fund, Feral Cat Handling, Bullying, Social Media Policy, Serious Incident Policy  All Trustees asked to read and review Charity Commission Trustee Tool Kit to increase understanding.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	The Trustees support the Chair in the day to day managing and running of the charity. The Chair and Trustees seek ideas from the charities volunteers on activities and fund raising.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	The Charity has a good working relationship with a number of other charities, Animal Rescues as well as Vets practices in the area.
Other		

### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Cats Rescue Gloucestershire & Swindon
Other name the charity uses	Cats Rescue
Registered charity number	1203344
Charity's principal address	19 Discovery Road Abbeymead Gloucester GL4 5GY

### **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	Donna Perry	Chair	June 2023	
2	Wendy	Secretary	June 2023	
3	Sally Thomas	Treasurer	June 2023	
4	Jez Watkins	Trustee	June 2023	
5	Leah Batchelor	Trustee	June 2023	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

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## 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)

Sally Thomas

Full name(s)

Sally Thomas

Position (eg Secretary,  
Chair, etc)

Trustee & Treasurer

Date

19/01/2026

Section A Receipts and payments

A1 Receipts

Donations  
Trading Income  
Other Income

Sub total(Gross income for AR)

A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).

Sub total

Total receipts

A3 Payments

Vets  
Expenses  
Facilities & Eqpt  
Sundries  
Other outgoings

Sub total

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)

Sub total

Total payments

Net of receipts/(payments)  
A5 Transfers between funds  
A6 Cash funds last year end  
Cash funds this year end

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

## Categories

B1 Cash funds

B2 Other monetary assets

B3 Investment assets

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

B5 Liabilities

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

Cats Rescue Gloucestershire & Swindon

Receipts and payments accounts  
For the period from

04/24/26

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to the nearest £

Restricted funds  
to the nearest £

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Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
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-	15630	-
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-	23469	-
-	18394	-

Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
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Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
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Print Name		Date of approval
Sally Thomas		18/01/2026



## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Cats Rescue Gloucestershire for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025.

### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees of the Charity, 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:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or

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

Signed: 

Date: 19<sup>th</sup> January 2026