



Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ending 31st December 2024

Reference and Administrative details:

Registered Charity Number: 232264

Trustees:

S. Alcorn-Davenport – Chairperson/Website/Facebook
Coordinator/Regional Representative
A.M. Pegg – Assistant Secretary/Admin
J. Pegg – Assistant Secretary/Fundraiser/Cat Hub Events & Admin
R. Toothill – Branch Treasurer
K. Hunton – Admin and Email Animal Welfare – Retired 31.12.24
L. Griggs – Cat Hub Events Representative/Admin
L. Moore – Secretary/Admin/Events/Fundraiser/Education
Fosterer/Volunteer coordinator/Animal Welfare Coordinator
M. Nicholson – Fundraiser
C. Prosser-Fereh-Membership Secretary
R. Todd – Facebook/Events

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S. Mason (BPM)

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The Branch Trustees hereby present their Report and Accounts for the Year Ended 31st December 2024

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

The Darlington & District Branch is constituted as an unincorporated association, which, operates as an autonomous branch of the National RSPCA subject to its rules for branches. The Branch operates within a national network of organisations that pursue the same, objectives as the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (RSPCA). The network comprises independent branches operating within a defined geographical area for the purposes of fundraising and the provision of animal care and treatment. A regional structure also exists on a national basis, which provides a team of specialist Inspectors and co-ordinates policies and objectives of the branches. RSPCA National, Regional and Branches meet regularly in pursuit of their common aims.

Recruitment and Responsibilities of the Management Committee

A standard procedure is followed in recruiting Trustees. Nomination papers are sent to every member of the Branch area, with a date for their return. The candidates must have 2 signed members of the Branch as nominees. At the AGM there must be 5 signed members elected by ballot paper for the Branch to be recognised as a committee and at least 5 members should be present at the AGM.

Trustees are elected from eligible Members, at the AGM. They are briefed, about their responsibilities and specific roles which they have been nominated for, at the meeting held after the end of the AGM. The Branch provides an Induction session to explain the role being taken on and new recruits are encouraged to attend the short, online, Induction sessions provided by the National Society which gives guidance on the organisational structure of the RSPCA.

Trustees are volunteers and do not receive any benefits from the charity.

Meetings are held at 6 – 8 weekly intervals usually, to agree the day to day running of the Branch. The Trustees are responsible for the detection and prevention of fraud and other irregular activities. They are also responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the Charity. Trustees actively



review operational, financial and business risks and confirm they have systems to mitigate any potential risks such as:

- Loss of reputation through fraud or error
- Loss of income through fraud or error
- Insufficient funds to cover the costs of animal welfare work

Financial Review:

General a/c and Clinic a/c income for 2024	-	£50,492.99	-	(2023 - £89,933.70)
General a/c and Clinic a/c expenditure for 2024	-	£46,312.72	-	(2023 - £80,651.45)
Cat Hub a/c income for 2024	-	£219,294.69	-	(2023 - £146,695.80)
Cat Hub a/c expenditure for 2024	-	£ 125,496.45	-	(2023 - £98,882.77)

Included in the income is the RSPCA “Door to Door” collection figure for 2024 of £21,816.10 which is given by RSPCA National Society, to Branches all over the country, to help enable them to carry out the animal welfare work which they do.

Statement of Trustees’ Responsibilities

The law in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which gives a true and fair record of the affairs of the Charity, the incoming resources and application of resources for that period. In preparing these financial statements the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and consistently apply them
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- state whether application accounting standards have been followed
- disclose and explain the financial statements
- prepare the financial statement on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation
- copies of the Branch and Cat Hub report and accounts are available upon request from the Branch Secretary, or they can be found on the Branch website in June after the AGM has been held. Please see details below on the last page of the report for contact details.



Reserves Policy & Investment

The policy of the Branch is to maintain 12 - 18 months unrestricted expenditure. As the Charity relies on donations and legacies, which can fluctuate year to year, it is felt prudent to maintain these reserves at this level so, to continue the animal welfare work carried out by the Branch. The committee has agreed the sum of £60,000 should be held in the Lloyds Bank account for general day to day running of the Branch and £40,000 has been invested with the Redwood Bank as reserves for the Branch. The RSPCA Cat Hub Steering Group agreed a figure of £60,000 to be held in their Lloyds Bank account for general day to day activities and a reserve of £80,000 has been invested with the United Trust Bank as reserves. These figures are discussed at Branch and Cat Hub meetings to ensure the animal welfare work remains viable

Aims & Objectives

Focusing on our work and why we do it

The main object of the Branch is to promote the work of the National RSPCA Society in promoting kindness and preventing cruelty to animals by all lawful means, within our Branch area in accordance with the policies of the Society.

The Trustees review the outcomes and achievements of the Branch objectives and activities throughout the year to ensure they remain focussed on the Charity's aims and continue to deliver benefits to the public and animals in need. The Trustees have complied with the duty under the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission which can be illustrated as follows:

- The Branch works closely with the National Society and generates its own funds to help and care for animals which need assistance within our local area.
- Subsidised veterinary treatment is provided via the Branch voucher scheme to enable animals to attend a veterinary consultation or be neutered, or microchipped, when they are owned by Members of the Public who receive benefits or are on low income. This increases responsible pet ownership and lessens animal suffering and the risk of unwanted puppies and kittens. Once microchipped, lost or stolen animals can be returned to their rightful owners.
- The Branch also financially supports, abused, abandoned and neglected local animals so they can receive veterinary treatment when rescued by our Inspectorate.

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You can find our Inspectorate 2024 annual report on our RSPCA Darlington & District Branch website, after the Annual General Meeting in June: www.rspca-darlington.org.uk

- During 2024 Branch Veterinary treatments amounted to £9,574.40, which covered Inspectorate animals and those members of the public assisted via the Branch animal welfare scheme. The RSPCA Cat Rehoming Hub financial support amounted to £10,000.00 and other RSPCA local animal branch centres received £615.50 towards veterinary treatment for those animals rescued from our area. The Branch also supported 5 local animal food banks, providing food, bedding and toys to animals whose owners were struggling with the cost-of-living crisis. This assistance increases the probability of owners being able to keep their pets at home. In total our expenditure for was £46,312
- The Branch has been promoting our activities on Facebook so members of the public are aware of what we do and why.
- Many wild animals become entangled in litter which has been discarded by humans. Litter can cause injury, suffering or death to those creatures tangled up in it. During the Great British Clean Up period, in spring 2024, Branch Trustees gathered 15 large sacks of rubbish from the grass verges either side of the main road through Barton, to help protect the wildlife in that area.



- The Branch has supported feral cats in 2024, by trapping, health checking and neutering them. After which they are released back to where they came from providing the area is safe for them. This prevents unwanted kittens being born in the wild and the health checks highlight any injury or disease so adult cats can be assessed by the vets.

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- RSPCA Darlington & District Branch and RSPCA Cat Rehoming Hub provides volunteering opportunities for those who wish to support our work. Volunteers can become trustees, fundraisers, helpers at events, foster carers, volunteer speakers, social media administrators or drivers. We aim to provide people with voluntary work, which is compassionate and rewarding, in helping the Branch and Cat Rehoming Hub and local animals who are in need.
- Tesco customers at Catterick Garrison very kindly donated 1710 kg of animal food between January and December 2024 which was shared between our Inspectorate and Cat Rehoming Hub foster carers for animals within their care. The Inspectors used some of this food to take out to animals which they are called to and some animal food is taken to the food banks which we support.
- £908.56 of cat and dog food was bought for our local foodbanks. Over £3,000 of Pets at Home vouchers helped to feed foodbank animals and Cat Hub cats and kittens.



- The RSPCA National Society asked if local Branches could join together to help provide food bank resources within their own areas and so far, the Branch has helped Influence Church Richmond, Salvation Army Darlington, St. Andrew's Church Haughton, The Word of Life Darlington and St. Mary's Community Centre Cockerton.
- Your Pet (Pet Co) allows our Officers, Cat Hub and Branch, to pop in and pick up what they need after which an invoice is sent to the Branch for payment. This flexible approach is very convenient for us, particularly when individual owners, which the Inspectorate are called to, need animal food to temporarily help them.

Honeypot Gardens in Brompton-on-Swale, very kindly gave the Branch lots of lovely plants in 2024, to sell on our stalls to help raise funds so we could help more animals.



- The Branch donations came in from RSPCA National Society, stalls, collection boxes, street collections and from individual members of the public. All donations totalled £40,466.16 and we would like to thank all of them for their financial support.

RSPCA Cat Rehoming Hub

Our Inspectorate rescue many cats from RSPCA Darlington Branch area and from the other 2 areas which support the Cat Hub financially. These cats/kittens are placed in the RSPCA Cat Rehoming Hub where fosterers care for them until they find a new home. There have been 95 cats and kittens in foster care during some months in the 2024 kitten season, keeping Inspectors, Cat Hub staff and volunteers very busy.

There are currently 28 active volunteers, most of whom are foster carers but others take on roles such as, driving, event organising, social media, website, home checkers and administration.

The volunteers raised £8877.61 at events during 2024 and they are gratefully thanked for their continuous work.

Our local Inspectorate

The RSPCA local Inspectorate Team covers a very large area of Durham, Bishop Auckland, Newton Aycliffe, Stockton, Middlesbrough, Barnard Castle, Sunderland, Hartlepool, Darlington and Richmond and all the villages in between. Day to day activities include rescuing, abused, abandoned and neglected animals, placing them within foster care and RSPCA centres, from which they are, rehabilitated and rehomed when the time is right for that animal.

Time given by our Trustees and Volunteers was accrued across the year by:

- Attending Trustee meetings, RSPCA Cat Rehoming Hub meetings, RSPCA Regional meetings and conferences online.
- Collecting and delivering foods for cats and dogs.
- Social media and website work, promoting the branch and engaging the public.
- The RSPCA Cat Rehoming Hub cats and kittens are promoted on both the Branch and Cat Hub Facebook pages. They're health checked, neutered, microchipped, vaccinated and given flea and worm treatments before adoption and then matched to suitable adopters. Home checks are carried out before the adoption takes place.
- Taking reports from members of the public about animals not being cared for properly. These are referred to our National Control Centre who prioritises the calls and passes them to our Inspectors.

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- Taking phone calls/emails from members of the public requesting financial help for Veterinary consultations, neutering or microchipping, for their animal when their owners are on benefits or on low income.
- Collecting and delivering animal foods to our Inspectorate. Food deliveries are also shared with the RSPCA Cat Rehoming Hub and the animal foodbanks.
- Administration covers many duties, such as phone calls, writing letters and emails to Trustees, Volunteers, businesses, members of the public, veterinary establishments, RSPCA offices and our National Control Centre. Checking volunteer applications forms and obtaining references, updating social media accounts, keeping accounts, banking and other necessary official paperwork up to date to comply with RSPCA and Branch policies and Charity Commission guidance.
- Litter Picking to clear areas where some wildlife may get caught up in the litter as this can cause injury, suffering and death for the animal.
- Trapping, health checking, neutering and releasing, local feral cats to help lessen suffering and the ever- increasing population of ferals in these colonies.



RSPCA Summary of Animal Welfare 2024 – RSPCA Cat Rehoming Hub & Darlington Branch

Darlington Branch area had the following uptake for welfare assistance from the general public, as well as the number of cats/kittens which were rescued by our Inspectors and taken to our Cat Hub where they are lovingly cared for until they are ready for adoption.

	Dogs	Cats	Rabbits	Other	Total
Welfare Assistance	33	229	4	0	266
Welfare Neutering	33	200	0	0	233
Feral Cats		53			53
Micro-chipping	10	122	0	2	134
Home Visits	1	109	0	0	110



Future Plans

During 2025 we aim to engage in the following activities

- Education – be able to give talks again to children and adults, to promote good animal welfare practices, providing we have the volunteers to help.
- Promotions – to raise the profile of the Branch, the Cat Rehoming Hub and the RSPCA National Society.
- Events/Fundraising – to raise funds to support animal welfare activities within our Branch area, providing we have the volunteers to help at events.
- Food collections - to help feed the animals within our care and help animal foodbanks locally.
- Continue to trap, neuter and release, feral cats within our area. 53 were neutered in 2024.
- Continue to support the work of the Cat Rehoming Hub and our Inspectorate.
- Advertise for more volunteers and Trustees to cover more branch work roles.

Special Thank Yous and Acknowledgement

Thank you to Karen Hunton, our animal welfare email administrator for the past 6 years and Patrick Brown who's collected hundreds of kilos of animal food. Both are retired now.

Thanks, as always, go to Mark Gent our Chief Inspector and his busy team, for the incredible animal welfare work they carry out on a day-to-day basis.

Our BPM Sarah Mason worked incredibly hard throughout the year giving invaluable advice and guidance to the Branch and Cat Rehoming Hub, as well as her other branches.

Thank you to our 2 Cat Hub members of staff for their dedication to the work.

We would also like to thank all Veterinary Surgeries who work alongside us for the benefit of animal welfare.

Many thanks to our Branch Trustees, Volunteers and Cat Hub Volunteers who's unpaid work equates to **4 full time paid workers across the year**. Without the help of dedicated volunteers and the generous public, branches could not carry out the animal welfare work which they do, so THANK YOU to everyone involved.



Volunteer Enquiries

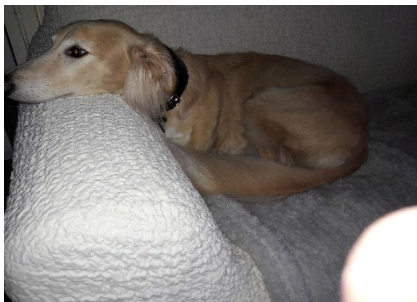
If you would like to help us in any way please contact:

Email: admin@rspca-darlington.org.uk

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/share/1DFxXJKC9G>

Our 2024 Branch Annual Report and Accounts, the RSPCA Cat Hub Report and Accounts and Durham & Cleveland Inspectorate Annual Report will be available to view in June on our website. www.rspca-darlington.org.uk

On behalf of the Trustees, I would like to thank everyone for their ongoing support.
L. Moore. RSPCA Darlington & District Branch.





RSPCA CAT REHOMING HUB ANNUAL REPORT 2024

Introduction to the RSPCA Cat Rehoming Hub

The RSPCA Cat Rehoming Hub (Cat Hub) formed in April 2018 and is now in its 6th year of operation. The Cat Hub takes cats and kittens rescued by RSPCA Officers from the areas that fund the project.

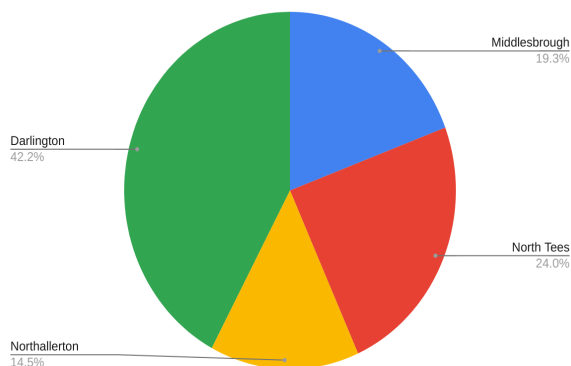
Why we do it

The Cat Hub is a project developed to meet a need in the Tees Valley, Darlington and South Durham and North Yorkshire areas. Numerous cats were being rescued by our national RSPCA Inspectors and placed into private boarding establishments when the animal centres were full, and there they stayed unable to be rehomed. To try and improve the situation of these cats, local RSPCA branches came together to fund the development of a Cat Hub.

The Cat Hub is funded by three local branches of Middlesbrough and Teesside, Northallerton and Thirsk and Darlington and District branch who also take on the administration role of the Cat Hub on behalf of all the three contributing branches. During 2024 the Cat Hub also received funding from the National RSPCA for the first 90 days of a cat or kittens' stay with us.

Since it began in September 2018, the Cat Hub has rehomed **1879** cats and kittens and in 2024 **264** cats and kittens have been rehomed. All being well, if we continue to rehome at a similar rate each year, the Cat Hub will reach a fantastic 2000 cats and kittens rehomed by the end of 2025!.

In 2024, the Cat Hub admitted into foster care a total of **264** cats, of those **116** cats were from Darlington, **53** from Middlesbrough, **66** from North Tees and **40** from Northallerton. Sadly, **10** were euthanized following Veterinary advice and **one** died.



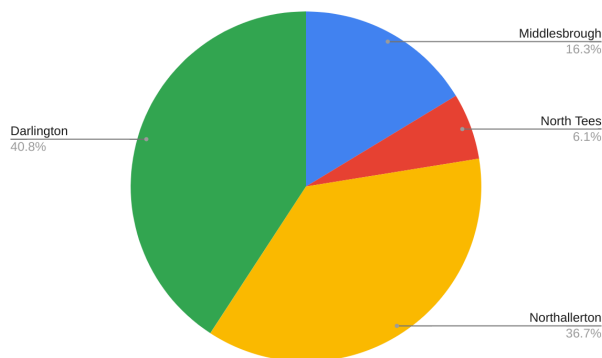


What we do

The Cat Hub takes cats and kittens in that are collected by RSPCA Officers. The range of cats include those who have been abandoned including owners who have moved away and left their cats behind and those who have died, injured stray cats, welfare cases and those that have been signed over by their owners who have been unable to meet their health and welfare needs.

Cats and kittens received into the care of the Cat Hub have health checks completed by local vets and appropriate treatment is carried out along with regular flea and wormer treatments and vaccinations to ensure that the cats are in the best health they can be. Occasionally some cats require life long treatments for some illnesses and in those cases agreement is sought from the funding branches to continue to pay for that treatment when the cat is rehomed.

The Cat Hub also helps branches with Trap Neuter and Release (TNR) programmes for feral cats. In 2024 the Cat Hub helped **49** feral cats. **47** were returned to site or relocated to be fed and monitored by people in the local community. **One** was euthanized following Veterinary advice and **one** died. This can be broken down as **8** from Middlesbrough Branch area, **3** from North Tees branch, **18** came from Northallerton branch and **20** came from the Darlington branch area.



The charts show us that although not many cats came in via the Inspectorate from Northallerton in 2024, the branch was actually very active with TNR due to its more rural area. Also although the majority of cats came in from Darlington, the branch were also very active at TNR to hopefully reduce these figures in the future.

How we do it

Initially, the Cat Hub rented pods in a cattery just outside of Darlington and had 5 foster carers for those cats that did not do well in a cattery environment. For a number of reasons including financial constraints and the impact of covid, the Cat Hub moved from being cattery focussed



care to foster focussed care. This is better for the cats and kittens as they become socialised in a normal family setting, in line with best practice.

During 2024, the Cat Hub had 48 volunteers registered with them although due to personal commitments etc, not all were fully active at the same time. The volunteers can be broken down into:

- 36 Registered foster carers (some did additional voluntary work such as admin, social media, fundraising and homechecking as well as fostering)
- 4 additional voluntary drivers
- 2 additional voluntary admin
- 2 additional social media
- 4 additional fundraisers

The volunteers are supported by two employees. One is a full time Cat Rehoming Coordinator and the other a part time driver. The driver delivers food and litter to the foster carers and transports cats between their foster homes and vet clinics, for appointments. They also collect donations from the public from the collection bins placed in local supermarkets and veterinary clinics.

Home checking

The Cat Hub continues to conduct virtual home checks, using online facilities, to rehome the cats and kittens in their care. There is still an option for home visits to be conducted, for those that request it due to IT problems etc. In total **264** home checks were completed in 2024 by our volunteer home checker.

The home checking role is integral to the successful rehoming of cats. The information gathered during the process is fed back to the Rehoming Coordinator and is reviewed to ensure that the home meets the five basic welfare needs of the cats and kittens and to ensure that people are fully aware of the responsibility of adopting a cat.

Our lead home checker, who is also a volunteer, has put a training pack together to train up other volunteers who are keen to take on the role in the future. We currently have **3** volunteers trained as home checkers.

Volunteer Recruitment

We continue to recruit volunteers to carry out a variety of roles within the Cat Hub including fosterers, (we particularly need fosterers for our older cats), drivers, event helpers, home checkers and volunteers to help with our social media platforms.



Social media activities

We continue to regularly post about cats available for adoption on both Facebook and Instagram, using as much content as the fantastic foster carers provide us with.

Our media posts are a mix of adoption updates, “thank you’s” and pleas for donations, event promotion, calls for more fosterers and fundraising posts. We also actively engage with the followers on our page and by doing so hope to increase the outreach of our page and cats.

In 2024, the social media team consisted of three volunteers.

Please pay us a visit on www.catHub.co.uk

Facebook.com/rspcacatrehoming

www.instagram.com/rspca_cat_Hub

www.tiktok.com/@rspca_cat_Hub

Fundraising activities

To supplement the funding provided by the four branches, volunteers from the Cat Hub also engage in other forms of fundraising for example:

In 2024 the events team attended 24 community events raising a total of **£2349.08** from tombolas, raffles and preloved items. The community events took place across all of the geographical areas of the funding branches.

We also introduced our monthly Pop Up Cafe at Northallerton Town Hall, which raised **£4243**.

During 2024, **£907.97** was made from selling donated items via media platforms such as ebay and market place.

Our online fundraising activities have also raised **£10,444.58** during 2024. This has been achieved through Crowdfunder and Just giving appeals, easy fundraising, One lottery and DONR.

A grant of **£10,000** awarded by Pets Foundation was used to pay vet fees for the cats and kittens in our care.

Donations

As well as financial donations, we also received donations of food, litter, treats and non food related items. These donations were made at one of our many donations points including:

- Stanhope Park Duke Street Cats and Exotics
- Darlington Vet Clinic
- Hartburn and Nunthorpe branches of Jacqui Paterson Vets



- Burts Carpets
- Our collection bins at the Morton Park branch of Morrisons and at Tesco in Eaglescliffe

In 2024 we received donations to the value of **£9,678**

As well as donations of food from members of the public, some of our fosterers donated by providing food and litter to the cats and kittens in their care at no cost to the Cat Hub. During 2024, the fosterers had donated to the value of **£2473.14** in food and litter.

Pets at Home VIP vouchers received via RSPCA Darlington and District Branch also contributed **£3,000** worth of food and litter for the cats and kittens in our care.

The Cat Hub would like to say a big **Thank You** to everyone who supported, donated and contributed to its' success in 2024.

Plans for the future

- The Cat Hub has not lost sight of its desire to have access to pods in a cattery and continues to consider options.
- Work to facilitate Trap Neuter and Release programmes on behalf of the branches continues to help improve the lives of ferals.
- Planning has started for the 2025 events programme which we hope will be more successful than 2024!



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REGISTERED CHARITY NO:- 232264

FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
DARLINGTON AND DISTRICT BRANCH - R.S.P.C.A.**

I report to the trustees on my examination for the year ended 31st December 2024 which are set out in pages 3 to 5

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

It is my responsibility to :

- * examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- * to follow 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 with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in accordance as required with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2024

	General £	Clinic £	Cat Hub £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
<u>ASSETS</u>					
Redwood Bank				42828	41216
United Trust			80000	80000	
Cash at Bank	83683	7921	128893	220497	202518
Trade debtors			30714	30714	
VAT			-2225	-2225	2409
Trade creditors			-3176	-3176	-3882
Sundry Creditors	-150			-150	-142
	83533	7921	234207	368488	242119

REPRESENTED BY :

Accumulated Surplus brought forward	242119	181242
Add : Surplus/(Deficit) for Year	126369	60877
	368488	242119

Revenue Policy Statement

RSPCA Darlington & District Branch holds an expenditure figure of £40,000 in reserve with the Redwood Bank and Trustees agreed a £60,000 minimum to be kept in Lloyds bank, to ensure Branch Animal Welfare work remains viable.

Branch Trustees have agreed a planned expenditure increase to allow more animal welfare to be carried out.

£5,000 has been restricted for use in assisting animal foodbanks during the current cost of living crisis.

The committee agreed to provide flea sprays for use in the homes of cats and dogs which are infested, as veterinary flea treatments are already financially assisted.

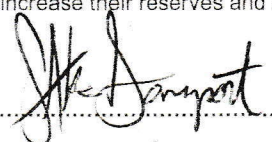
Financial help will be provided for veterinary assistance to have unneutered feral cats trapped, health checked, neutered and released, due to the high population of feral colonies in our area

The Cat Hub Income and Expenditure account is a restricted account for Cat Hub use only.

The Cat Hub Steering Group had agreed the account should hold a minimum of £60,000 in its Lloyds account to ensure the project remains viable and £80,000 has been deposited as reserves with United Trust Bank

The Branch and Cat Hub plan to increase their reserves and animal welfare work when possible.

Chairman



Treasurer



DARLINGTON AND DISTRICT BRANCH - R.S.P.C.A.

INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024

<u>INCOME</u>	General £	Clinic £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Collection Boxes	313		313	727
Donations General	5594		5594	4089
Door Grant	21816		21816	23094
Subscriptions	5532		5532	4320
Events	613		613	589
Investment Income	1612		1612	1056
Legacy				7131
Cat Hub	500		500	500
Badger	5733		5733	
	41713		41713	41505
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>				
Vet's & Welfare Charges		6917	6917	12225
Insurance	823		823	
Room hire	145		145	
Audit & Accountancy	150		150	151
Budget expenses	2023	1025	3048	
Shildon		1605	1605	
Fostering				1484
Office costs	777		777	1455
Donations	22464		22464	15551
	26382	9548	35929	30865
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR YEAR			5784	10640

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INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024

<u>INCOME</u>	Cat Hub £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Donations General	32499	32499	13362
Donations Branch	30000	30000	71000
Lottery	4470	4470	4389
Boarding			6325
Adoption	26308	26308	30014
Fundraising	8642	8642	2571
Grant			10000
Other income			130
Care Contribution Fund	118145	118145	
	220064	220064	137791

EXPENDITURE

Vet's Charges	39455	39455	36646
Wages	38025	38025	34605
Boarding	10824	10824	5877
Office costs	3552	3552	1716
Accountancy	3700	3700	3138
Room hire			135
Marketing	385	385	334
Professional Fees	1335	1335	3484
Volunteer expenses	2204	2204	1620
	99479	99479	87555

SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR YEAR

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