

STOUR VALLEY CAT RESCUE

England & Wales · Charity number 514904

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1984-03-19

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

Contact

Address Yew Tree House
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Activities

Objects: TO RESCUE AND PROVIDE A TEMPORARY HOME FOR LOST, UNWANTED ABANDONED AND NEGLECTED CATS AND KITTENS (FOR FURTHER DETAILS SEE CONSTITUTION)

Activities: Rescue and rehome unwanted cats and kittens, provide veterinary care as necessary. Provide help and advice to cat/kitten owners and help out with veterinary treatment, food etc in cases of need. Neuter and feed feral cats in situ where possible.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Animals
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Dudley
- Sandwell
- Staffordshire
- Worcestershire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£152,983	£136,267	-	-
2023-12-31	£45,780	£79,226	-	-
2022-12-31	£110,940	£57,285	-	-
2021-12-31	£130,163	£46,862	-	-
2020-12-31	£73,516	£43,303	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Margaret Ann Bird		2025-06-06
Maureen Ann Jennings		2019-10-09
Maurice Edward Bisbey		2025-06-06
Susan Jayne Matthews		2025-06-06

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Accounts

STOUR VALLEY CAT RESCUE

Regd. Charity 514904

Trustee
Mrs M A Jennings
Yew Tree House
Rock Cross
Kidderminster
DY14 9SD

Treasurer
Mr M Wells
76, Norton Road
Stourbridge
DY8 2AQ

Annual Report for the Year Ended 31st December 2024

2024 saw an increase in the number of cats coming into the rescue. This was due to financial problems, owners going into care or dying, or owners moving into accommodation where they could not take their cats.

Financially we had a large increase in expenditure due to extensive renovations of the outside pens. Also work replacing the conservatory roof and installing a new front window. This was all necessary work and created a nicer environment for the cats to live in.

Fundraising, donations and legacies fortunately saw an increase in 2024. We are very lucky to be supported so well. This enabled us to survive what was a very difficult year.

There are other necessary improvements needed at the rescue and we hope to carry out these in 2025. This can only be achieved with the continued help of our volunteers and supporters.

Treasurer's Report

Due to some very generous donations and legacies our income has more than trebled from last year. There was also a considerable increase in receipts from our fundraising activities following some very hard work in this respect undertaken by some of our volunteers.

Unfortunately our expenditure for the year also increased but this was largely due to the cost of much needed work which was undertaken to repair and rebuild some of the facilities at the rescue. The result was an increase in total expenditure of just over 70% from last year.

The overall funds showed an increase of just under 10% in available funds arising during the year.

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Alexander Michael Pettigrew
Retired Solicitor



41 Poplar Road
Stourbridge
West Midlands
DY8 3BD

Date: 26th OCTOBER 2025

STOUR VALLEY CAT RESCUE
CHARITY NUMBER 514904

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

SECTION A

RECEIPTS	2024	2023
Fundraising	13,209.31	5,919.05
Donations and Legacies	119,939.82	25,299.05
Payments for cats homed	3,209.00	1,095.00
Miscellaneous	126.68	75.48
Sponsorship	100.00	220.00
Raffle (now included in fundraising)	0.00	890.00
Gift Aid Tax Reclaims	1,681.04	3,901.68
VAT Refunds	12,833.54	7,208.49
Bank Account Interest	<u>1,884.06</u>	<u>1,171.87</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>152,983.45</u>	<u>45,780.62</u>
PAYMENTS		
Fostering	18,882.52	18,038.42
Veterinary Fees	59,750.84	47,060.99
Advertisements	1,197.30	1,484.20
Hire of Halls	690.00	945.50
Miscellaneous	7,345.00	5,415.54
Heating, lighting, maintenance, buildings etc	48,401.00	<u>6,281.37</u>
TOTAL PAYMENTS	<u>136,266.66</u>	<u>79,226.02</u>
NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	16,716.79	-33,445.40
CASH FUNDS AT LAST YEAR END	185,393.86	218,839.26
CASH FUNDS THIS YEAR END	<u>£202,110.65</u>	<u>£185,393.86</u>

SECTION B

CASH FUNDS

Santander	3,082.67	9,660.85
West Bromwich Building Society	84,601.32	82,539.09
Barclays Community Account	7,958.78	17,050.60
Barclays Business Premium Account	105,892.47	75,806.53
Cash in hand	575.41	336.79
TOTAL CASH FUNDS	<u>£202,110.65</u>	<u>£185,393.86</u>

MAUREEN ANN JENNINGS – TRUSTEE

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MARGARET ANN BIRD – TRUSTEE

M. A. Bird

MAURICE EDWARD BISBEY – TRUSTEE

M. E. Bisbey

SUSAN JAYNE MATTHEWS – TRUSTEE

S. Matthews

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Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

2023 saw a considerable increase in problems with people unable to keep their cats due to illness, financial problems, changes of circumstance etc. There was also a decrease in the number of homes offered although we have managed to find loving homes for some, including ones who had been at the rescue for several years.

Food and vets bills have increased using up vital funds. We have however, had some successful fundraising events and generous donations and legacies to enable us to continue our work at the rescue. We plan to have a fundraising drive in 2024 to raise funds for vital repairs/renovations required at the property.

We have been fortunate to have some more volunteers join our team to support our work into our 40th year.

In 2024 we hope that there are fewer unwanted cats and more loving homes offered.

Treasurer's Report

Income was down from last year by approximately 41% mainly because we have received less in the way of donations and legacies.

Total expenditure was up by 38% mainly due to increases in veterinary expenditure which was up by approximately 62% from the previous year, and the increased cost of food, litter etc.

The overall funds showed a 15% decrease in our available funds during the year.

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

SECTION A

RECEIPTS	2023	2022
Fundraising	5,919.05	2,254.42
Donations and Legacies	25,299.05	100,891.66
Payments for cats homed	1,095.00	1,155.00
Miscellaneous	75.48	321.61
Sponsorship	220.00	120.00
Raffle	890.00	744.64
Gift Aid Tax Reclaims	3,901.68	-
VAT Refunds	7,208.49	5,412.58
Bank Account Interest	1,171.87	41.07
TOTAL RECEIPTS	45,780.62	110,940.98
 PAYMENTS		
Fostering	18,038.42	14,610.60
Veterinary Fees	47,060.99	29,027.19
Advertisements	1,484.20	382.29
Hire of Halls	945.50	240.00
Miscellaneous	5,415.54	5,540.43
Heating, lighting, maintenance etc	6,281.37	7,485.05
TOTAL PAYMENTS	79,226.02	57,285.56
NET PAYMENTS / RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR	-33,445.40	53,655.42
CASH FUNDS AT LAST YEAR END	218,839.26	165,183.84
CASH FUNDS THIS YEAR END	<u>£185,393.86</u>	<u>£218,839.26</u>

SECTION B

CASH FUNDS

Santander	9,660.85	5,197.46
West Bromwich Building Society	82,539.09	85,179.92
Barclays Community Account	17,050.60	18,212.67
Barclays Business Premium Account	75,806.53	110,030.48
Cash in hand	336.79	218.73
TOTAL CASH FUNDS	<u>£185,393.86</u>	<u>£218,839.26</u>

ANITA EMILY FORD – TRUSTEE

Anita Ford

6/9/24

MAUREEN ANN JENNINGS – TRUSTEE

Maureen Jennings

6/9/24

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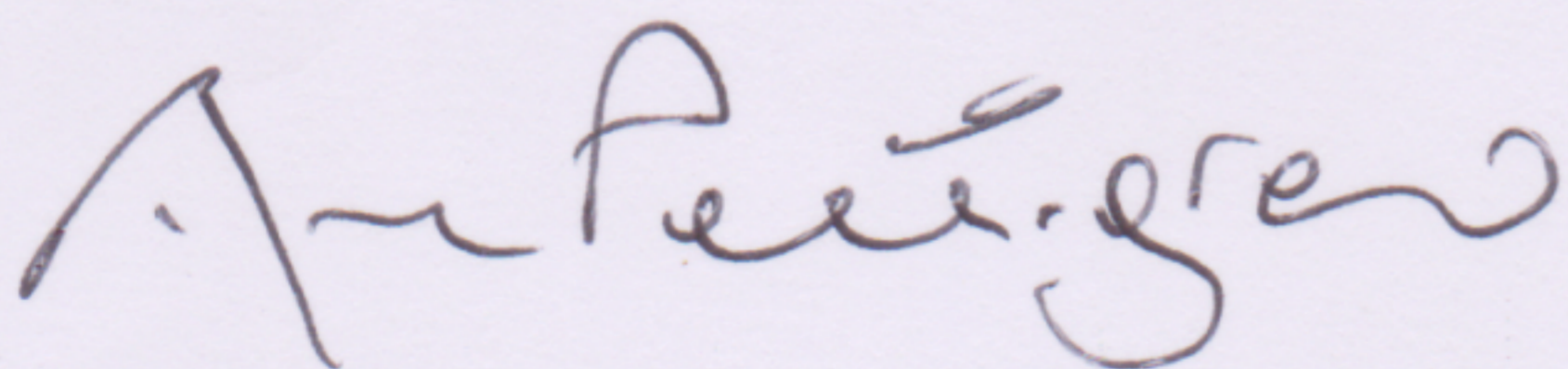
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Date: 6th September 2024

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Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

As ever we have been fortunate to receive generous financial support both from our regular supporters and from various legacies which has enabled us to continue our work at the rescue in spite of ever increasing costs. Amongst other repairs and refurbishments at the rescue we have installed some handrails on the garden steps to make it easier for our volunteers to access the outside areas particularly during the winter months.

Sadly we have lost one or two of our volunteers, mainly due to illness, but we have been able to recruit a few new volunteers to add to our hard working team who work on a rota basis cleaning, feeding and socialising the cats. We are always on the lookout for more volunteers to help at the rescue and also with our fund raising events.

We are continually receiving requests to take cats into the rescue, but fortunately we have had some lovely homes offered and some very happy owners have been pleased to share with us the progress of their new friends.

As always we hope that 2023 will see a more responsible ownership of cats, kittens and all animals.

Treasurer's Report

Income was down from last year by approximately 15% mainly because we have received less in the way of donations and legacies and there has also been a delay in claiming Gift Aid relief due to the administration involved in updating our Gift Aid records.

Total expenditure was up by 22% due to increases in veterinary expenditure and general expenditure i.e. heating, lighting, insurance, food costs etc.

**STOUR VALLEY CAT RESCUE
CHARITY NUMBER 514904**

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

SECTION A

RECEIPTS	2022	2021
Fundraising	2,254.42	2,142.61
Donations and Legacies	100,891.66	116,174.30
Payments for cats homed	1,155.00	745.00
Miscellaneous	321.61	92.71
Sponsorship	120.00	180.00
Raffle	744.64	1,443.00
Gift Aid Tax Reclaims	-	4,762.90
VAT Refunds	5,412.58	4,614.21
Bank Account Interest	41.07	8.99
TOTAL RECEIPTS	110,940.98	130,163.72
 PAYMENTS		
Fostering	14,610.60	10,478.15
Veterinary Fees	29,027.19	22,463.63
Advertisements	382.29	510.92
Hire of Halls	240.00	100.00
Miscellaneous	5,540.43	6,476.44
Heating, lighting, maintenance etc	7,485.05	6,833.45
TOTAL PAYMENTS	57,285.56	46,862.59
NET RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR	53,655.42	83,301.13
CASH FUNDS AT LAST YEAR END	165,183.84	81,882.71
CASH FUNDS THIS YEAR END	<u>£218,839.26</u>	<u>£165,183.84</u>

SECTION B

CASH FUNDS

Santander	5,197.46	2,491.09
West Bromwich Building Society	85,179.92	84,207.46
Barclays Community Account	18,212.67	78,324.28
Barclays Business Premium Account	110,030.48	-
Cash in hand	218.73	161.01
TOTAL CASH FUNDS	<u>£218,839.26</u>	<u>£165,183.84</u>

ANITA EMILY FORD – TRUSTEE

Anita E Ford

20/7/23

MAUREEN ANN JENNINGS – TRUSTEE

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20/7/23

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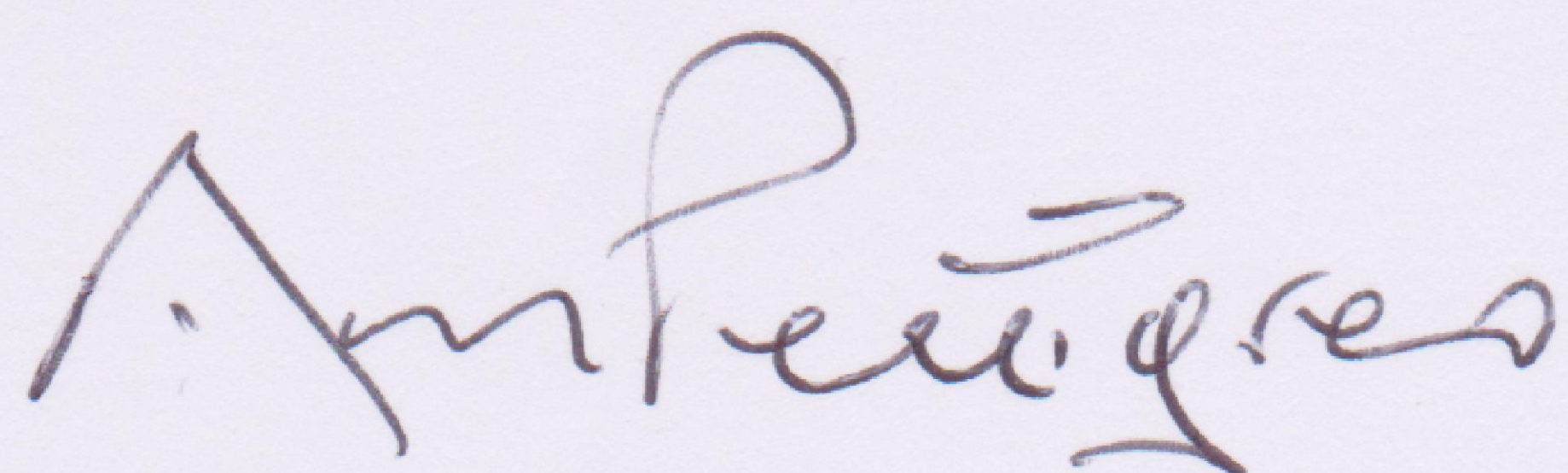
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Date: 21st July 2023

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Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

After a difficult 2020 with having to deal with the effects of the Covid 19 pandemic, we were able to re-start some of our fund raising activities in September.

We were, as ever, fortunate to receive generous financial support and we also received a very generous legacy from the estate of one of our supporters. This enabled us to undertake necessary refurbishments at the Rescue which included replacing the upper floor front windows and dealing with various other outstanding jobs.

We have been able to recruit a few more volunteers to add to our hard working team who work on a rota basis cleaning, feeding and socialising the cats. We are always on the lookout for more volunteers.

We have had some lovely homes offered and some very happy owners have been pleased to share with us the progress of their new friends.

As always we hope that 2022 will see a more responsible ownership of cats, kittens and all animals.

Treasurer's Report

Income was up from last year by approximately 77% mainly because of some very generous legacies and donations from our supporters.

Total expenditure was up by just 8% mainly due to small increases in veterinary expenditure and general expenditure i.e. heating, lighting, insurance etc.

**STOUR VALLEY CAT RESCUE
CHARITY NUMBER 514904**

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

SECTION A

RECEIPTS	2021	2020
Fundraising	2,142.61	1,318.25
Donations and Legacies	116,174.30	53,644.78
Payments for cats homed	745.00	655.00
Miscellaneous	92.71	1,302.87
Sponsorship	180.00	600.00
Raffle	1,443.00	2,337.00
Gift Aid Tax Reclaims	4,762.90	8,512.29
VAT Refunds	4,614.21	5,128.45
Bank Account Interest	8.99	17.90
TOTAL RECEIPTS	130,163.72	73,516.54
 PAYMENTS		
Fostering	10,478.15	10,248.02
Veterinary Fees	22,463.63	21,461.84
Advertisements	510.92	585.68
Hire of Halls	100.00	555.00
Miscellaneous	6,476.44	5,553.42
Heating, lighting, maintenance etc	6,833.45	4,899.65
TOTAL PAYMENTS	46,862.59	43,303.61
NET RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR	83,301.13	30,212.93
CASH FUNDS AT LAST YEAR END	81,882.71	51,669.78
CASH FUNDS THIS YEAR END	<u>£165,183.84</u>	<u>£81,882.71</u>

SECTION B

CASH FUNDS

Santander	2,312.42	4,185.93
West Bromwich Building Society	84,207.46	73,196.54
Barclays Community Account	78,324.28	3,915.59
Giro H.I.D.A.	178.67	175.98
Cash in hand	161.01	408.67
TOTAL CASH FUNDS	<u>£165,183.84</u>	<u>£81,882.71</u>

ANITA EMILY FORD – TRUSTEE

Anita E Ford 13/10/22

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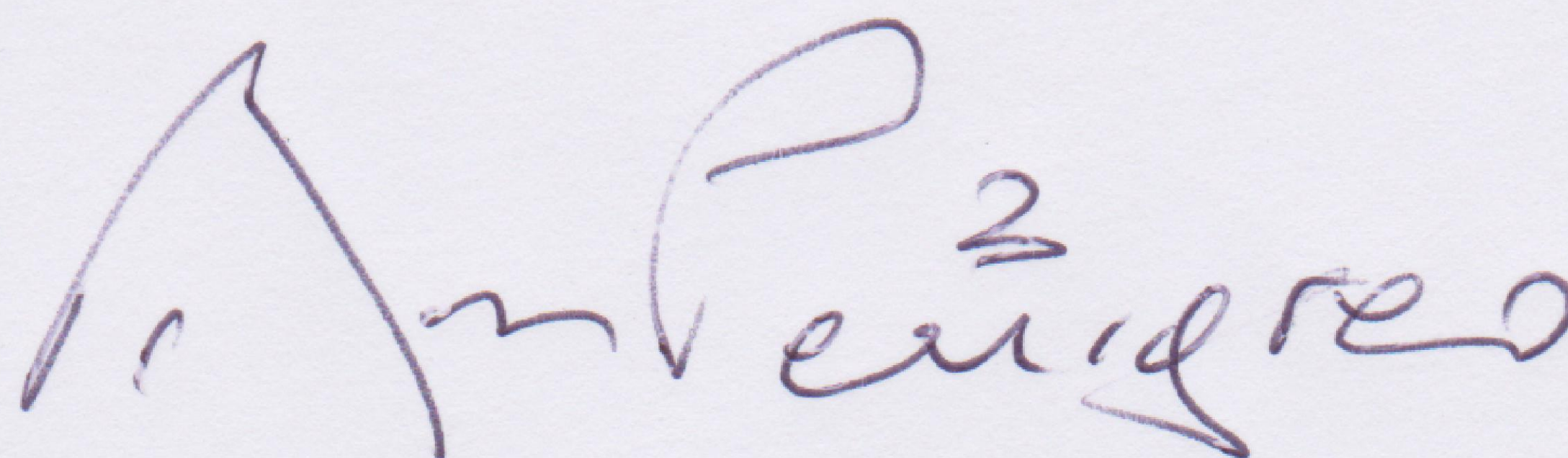
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Date: 13th October 2022

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Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2020

2020 has been a difficult year for most of us with having to deal with the effects of the Covid 19 pandemic. As with many other charities, not only were we unable to carry out most of our usual fund raising activities but special procedures had to be introduced at the Rescue to try to ensure the safety of our volunteers and to be able to maintain our work there.

We were, as ever, fortunate to receive generous financial support and we have also been able to recruit a few more volunteers to add to our hard working team who work on a rota basis cleaning, feeding and socialising the cats. We are always on the lookout for more volunteers.

We have had some lovely homes offered and some very happy owners have been pleased to share with us the progress of their new friends.

As always we hope that 2021 will see a more responsible ownership of cats, kittens and all animals.

Treasurer's Report

Income was down from last year by approximately 13% mainly because we were unable to carry out most of our usual fundraising activities.

Expenditure was down by 25% mainly due a reduction in veterinary fees and fostering expenditure.

Veterinary expenditure was down approximately 28% from 2019. General expenditure i.e. heating, lighting, insurance etc. showed a small increase.

STOUR VALLEY CAT RESCUE
CHARITY NUMBER 514904

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

SECTION A

RECEIPTS	2020	2019
Fundraising	1,318.25	10,242.42
Donations and Legacies	53,644.78	56,236.94
Payments for cats homed	655.00	405.00
Miscellaneous	1,302.87	615.74
Sponsorship	600.00	530.00
Raffle	2,337.00	1,994.00
Gift Aid Tax Reclaims	8,512.29	5,310.01
VAT Refunds	5,128.45	9,053.90
Bank Account Interest	17.90	11.26
TOTAL RECEIPTS	73,516.54	84,399.27
 PAYMENTS		
Fostering	10,248.02	14,097.27
Veterinary Fees	21,461.84	30,168.34
Advertisements	585.68	3,202.40
Hire of Halls	555.00	1,061.75
Miscellaneous	5,553.42	6,252.96
Heating, lighting, maintenance etc	4,899.65	3,413.33
TOTAL PAYMENTS	43,303.61	58,196.05
NET RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR	30,212.93	26,203.22
CASH FUNDS AT LAST YEAR END	51,669.78	25,466.56
CASH FUNDS THIS YEAR END	<u>£81,882.71</u>	<u>£51,669.78</u>

SECTION B

CASH FUNDS

Santander	4,185.93	2,860.92
West Bromwich Building Society	73,196.54	30,943.44
Barclays Community Account	3,915.59	3,211.31
Barclays Business Premium Account	0.00	14,018.40
Giro H.I.D.A.	175.98	175.98
Cash in hand	408.67	459.73
TOTAL CASH FUNDS	<u>£81,882.71</u>	<u>£51,669.78</u>

ANITA EMILY FORD – TRUSTEE

Anita E Ford

27/10/21

MAUREEN ANN JENNINGS – TRUSTEE

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27/10/21

MICHAEL WELLS – TRUSTEE

27/10/21

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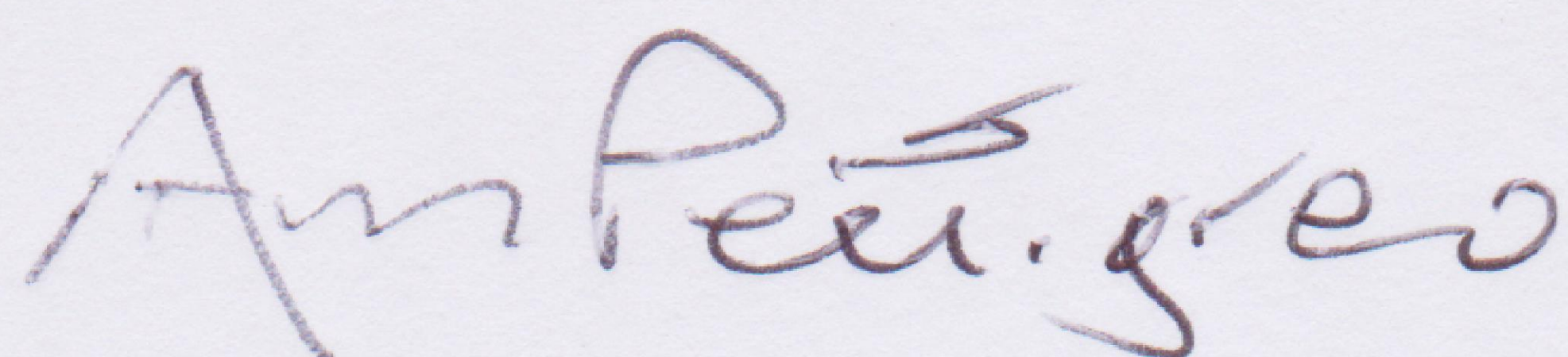
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My examination was carried in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the next statement.

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Acthave not been met or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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