

Clara Cat Neutering Project

Trustees Annual Report and Financial Statements
For the year ended 31 December 2023

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC108497)

Reference and Administrative Details

CHARITY NAME

Clara Cat Neutering Project

CHARITY NUMBER – NIC 108497

Registered in Northern Ireland by the Charity Commission on 18th March 2022.

PRINCIPAL ADDRESS

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CHARITY TRUSTEES AS OF 31st DECEMBER 2023

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Susan Bennett	

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The object of our organisation as set out in our Constitution is:

1. As a non-profit organisation to promote responsible cat welfare through raising public awareness of its responsibility towards cats in society.
2. To offer and encourage spaying and neutering of feral and domestic cats with two separate neutering schemes.
3. To control breeding amongst feral cats by offering a TRAP NEUTER and RETURN (TNR) neutering scheme for donation only.
4. To humanely trap feral cats in farms, parks or open spaces and take them to our chosen vet to be checked over and then neutered. Each of the cats will be ear tipped to show other trappers that the cats have been neutered in the event that they ever have to go back and trap other cats.
5. To offer a neutering scheme for domestic cats where the owners may take their cat to our chosen vets and have their cat neutered by arrangement for a donation.
6. To operate a no-kill policy except where an animal is suffering unnecessary, and no treatment is available.
7. To offer advice on different aspects of cat care and to direct the public to other organisations for assistance outside the neutering remit.
8. To have articles from time to time published in local newspapers and on the Clara Cat Neutering Project Facebook to bring to the attention of the public the importance of neutering cats.

The charity was set up in December 2016 to focus on the problem at the time of the number of unneutered cats in and around Omagh. With the help of a legacy left by a local cat lover Clara Cat Neutering Project was started.

We are a very small non- profit charity with just 3 trustees and one volunteer who are all non- paid volunteers. We are not affiliated to any other charity.

We have two neutering schemes which are available for the public to avail of and get their cats neutered for a donation.

1. TRAP NEUTER RETURN (TNR) scheme was set up for the trapping of feral cats and to get them neutered. TRAP- we go to farms or wherever there might be a problem with cats that have not been neutered to trap them humanely. NEUTER- Once we trap the cats, we take them to our vets Corry & O'Hare to be neutered. During their operation the feral cats are ear tipped, which means that a small piece of skin is removed from one ear. This is the recognised method of showing that a cat has been neutered in the event that if they are ever re-trapped, they can be released immediately. RETURN- The cats are returned back the day after their operation to resume their duty of keeping the vermin down.
2. Please note we do not rehome cats. To get further information on this TNR scheme or to get your cats booked in, please telephone 0778 3412 500. Please note that we will only travel a radius of 10 miles from our vets here in Omagh.
3. Our second scheme is for the public who have domestic cats that need to be neutered. The owners can make their own arrangements to get their cat booked in for neutering on a day which

suits by telephoning Corry & O'Hare at 028 8224 3909. Respectively we have to ask for a donation to help towards our neutering costs. Corry & O' Hare will only neuter cats of the public who are already a client of theirs. This stipulation doesn't apply to the TNR scheme.

4. Cats as young as 4 months can get pregnant and have up to 3 litters per year! If you have a stray cat hanging around your property, please get it booked in with our vets and get it neutered and avoid having unwanted kittens and help us also by keeping the cat population under control.

Our aim is to offer two neutering schemes to the public to get their cats neutered for a donation only. We operate a TNR (Trap Neuter Return) scheme where we go out to farms to trap their feral cats and take them to the vets to be checked and neutered. We return the cats back the day after their operation.

With our second scheme clients of our vets Corry & O'Hare can make their own arrangements with our vets to get their cats neutered for a donation only. During 2023, 193 feral cats were trapped and neutered on our TNR scheme. With the domestic scheme, 125 cats were neutered during 2023. To date 4311 cats have been neutered in Omagh and the surrounding area.

Approved by the trustees at our annual general meeting on 21st October 2024 and signed on their behalf by:



Eleanor Lydon
CHAIR of TRUSTEES