



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01 October 2018
Period end date

Period start date To 30 September 2019

Charity name: New Start Cat Rescue

Charity registration number: 1145090

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	NSCR's main objective is to promote humane behaviour towards all animals by providing appropriate care, protection, treatment and security, demonstrated by providing sanctuary for cats in need of care and attention through sickness, maltreatment, ill-usage or abandonment, and educate the Public regarding animal welfare in general and prevention of cruelty and suffering among animals.
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	<p>The Charity Commission's guidance is always taken into consideration in the planning of our activities for the year.</p> <p>Our main activities undertaken for the Public Benefit are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The rescue of abandoned and stray cats and kittens and to assist with neutering and spaying in order to help limit the number of unwanted cats.• To capture, neuter and advise on feral cats.• To emphasise the benefits of neutering, vaccination, flea control and worming of all cats. Micro-chipping.• To re-home to suitable, caring homes, after carrying out home and/or veterinary checks and assessment. <p>We encourage people, especially the young over 15 years old, to join our team of volunteers. All are made welcome regardless of personal background, faith, gender or personal circumstances. This helps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• To develop their self-confidence,

		<p>social and practical skills</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To experience working within a team. • To care for animals • To help with their own pets in various ways. <p>Younger children, accompanied by a parent, are also made very welcome and they learn to handle animals with care and consideration by being encouraged to handle the cats and kittens under supervision.</p> <p>We also welcome people who are unable to keep a pet at home, to come and handle our cats. The animals benefit from the attention whilst awaiting their new, forever homes.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	All trustees have been given the guidance and have confirmed they understand the guidance issued.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	<p>Our volunteers and fosterers are vital to the success of our charity. Our coordinator is skilled at getting the very best from each volunteer and will spot their differing strengths.</p> <p>There is a core group who are involved in the day to day feeding, cleaning and general care of the cats, overarched by a group of experienced volunteers who concentrate on the welfare & health of each animal. There is an assigned welfare supervisor for each day to ensure all felines in our care are healthy.</p> <p>There are volunteers who's strengths lie in the more administrative side of the charity - media, answering telephones and messages on line and there is another group who dedicate their time to fundraising - manning stalls and promotional events around the</p>

		<p>area. They are all given advice and training by our very experienced Coordinator and officers, who are always on call.</p> <p>There is another group of volunteers who are responsible for the homing of the cats. Within this we have undertaking homechecks, educated the public on the introduction and care of the cat they bring home and the paper work when homing the cats and kittens.</p> <p>They are made aware of the objectives and aims in relation to the benefits to the public in accordance with the Charity Commission's Guidelines.</p>
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>Our Charity continues to thrive, rescuing and rehoming unwanted /abandoned cats and kittens. Our homing rate of 50 - 60 per month seems to remain constant. Our procedures and standards are continually under review.</p> <p>We have worked particularly hard to develop our Health and Safety practices; we regularly assess our health and safety and give reminders/ make changes as and when necessary.</p> <p>We are constantly working at improving our administration and communication throughout the Charity. There are co-ordinators for each part of the charity e.g Homing officer, foster co-ordinator etc. This has allowed us to rescue and home cats effectively and efficiently.</p> <p>Care is taken with the induction of new volunteers so that any reservations or problems are covered; helping them feel confident in the knowledge of what is expected and also not to be afraid to ask for any advice or help. We have also been part of the Duke of Edinburgh scheme. The co-Ordinator for this inducts the D of E students and promptly completes their reviews. These students have been able to develop a range of personal skills along with effectively working in cat rescue.</p>

		<p>Our restructuring of the charity, with a team of volunteers overseeing the welfare of the cats in our care, health and safety, fundraising, fosterers, homing and admissions has been in place for 2 years now. This has allowed us to rescue more cats and be more active in the community in regards to educating and supporting.</p> <p>Our fundraising has increased with events such as our Christmas advent draw, sponsored walks, table top sales, ebay sales, 100 club, £1 day and many more</p> <p>The charity is thriving, all cats are homed after being vet checked, vaccinated, flead and wormed with 4 weeks free petplan insurance.</p> <p>We have also amended policies in light of GDPR and have worked hard to ensure the personal information held within the charity is kept securely. All volunteers have been educated regarding the information that can//cannot be shared and the consequences of any breaches to this.</p> <p>We continue to attract and recruit more volunteers on an ongoing basis.</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	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
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	<p>The charity is in a comfortable financial situation.</p> <p>We continue to operate as we always have done; our expenses are consistently met e.g vet bills are paid promptly.</p> <p>Where continue to be committed to our fund raising and grant applications in order to continue to cover our outgoings.</p>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<p>Our policy is to hold reserves to cover a period of six months. We hold a physical cash reserve at the bank of £312,022. £250,00 is legacy money and is ring-fenced; this money is only to be allocated to the purchase of property to be used as a rescue centre. The remainder of these funds are held in order to meet any unforeseen expenditure that may occur.</p>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£312,022
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	<p>We currently have no uncertainties, however, we hold 6 months reserves in order to meet any unforeseen circumstances.</p>

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	<p>A lot of work goes into raising the funds necessary to provide the needs of our felines whilst in our care - veterinary, food and cat litter are our greatest expense. We have many supporters who donate money, food and bedding. Some of the other pet charities in our area also support us when possible e.g. Cheltenham Animal Shelter and Teckles in Gloucester. NSCR co-operates with a group of friends based in USK, Monmouthshire who are self-funded. The charity also actively applies for grants we are eligible for which often is used to support the payment of the vet bills.</p>
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	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
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	Charitable 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	Election

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	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	New Start Cat Rescue
Other name the charity uses	N/A
Registered charity number	1145090
Charity's principal address	The Workshop, Behind Texaco Garage, Main Road, Huntley, Gloucestershire, GL53 0ED

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	Amanda Slatter			
2	Bryony Groves			
3	Sheila McIntyre		February 2019	
4	Karen Campbell	Treasurer	Appointed 21/09/2018	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

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)	AGiordano	
Full name(s)	Aurelia	Giordano
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	
Date	12/08/2020	

New Start Cat Rescue
Profit and Loss Account
Year to 30th September 2019

SALES		
Sale of goods		36,646.88
Sundry Income		<u>1,603.27</u>
Sales (Total)		38,250.15
OTHER INCOME		
Legacies	250,000.00	
Donations	126,835.48	
Grants	12,000.00	
Fundraisers	2,685.40	
Interest earned	<u>284.58</u>	
Other Income (total)		<u>391,805.46</u>
Total Revenue (Turnover)		430,055.61
DIRECT EXPENSES		
Vet Fees	102,529.03	
Litter	7,966.60	
Cat Food	5,251.77	
Merchandise	11,231.83	
Other costs	2,360.88	
Microchipping	1,217.10	
Donations Made	1,156.75	
Fundraising costs	<u>361.25</u>	
Direct Expenses (total)		132,075.21
INDIRECT EXPENSES		
Staff costs	22,686.03	
Rent	14,699.92	
Rates	625.45	
Depreciation	3,481.56	
Premises Costs	3,347.02	
Utilities	3,249.30	
Waste Collection	1,946.34	
Telephone	1,799.50	
Insurance	1,551.75	
Cleaning	1,436.51	
Repairs	1,681.66	
Other expenses	1,312.39	
Entertainment	1,050.00	
Printing, postage & stationery	875.77	
Professional Fees	750.00	
Bank Charges	748.48	
Advertising	514.50	
Training Costs	210.00	
Clothing	<u>202.00</u>	
Indirect Expenses (total)		<u>62,168.18</u>
Total Expenses		<u>194,243.39</u>
Net Income		<u><u>235,812.22</u></u>

Balance Sheet Report

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LONG-TERM ASSETS

Cost

	Land & Buildings	Fixtures & Fittings	Pens	Plant & Machinery	Total
As at 1st October 2018	15,528.51	5,398.34	15,346.75	2,405.04	38,678.64
Additions	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-

As at 30th September 2019	15,528.51	5,398.34	15,346.75	2,405.04	38,678.64
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Depreciation

As at 1st October 2018	3863.66	2065.14	3547.15	1121	10,596.95
Charge for the year	1415.74	833.3	911.52	321	3,481.56
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-

As at 30th September 2019	5,279.40	2,898.44	4,458.67	1,442.00	14,078.51
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Net Book Value at 1st October 2018	11,664.85	3,333.20	11,799.60	1,284.04	28,081.69
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Net Book Value at 30th September 2019	10,249.11	2,499.90	10,888.08	963.04	24,600.13
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CURRENT ASSETS

Deposit account	292,284.58	
Current Accounts	12,538.93	
Card Receipts	961.50	
Petty Cash	642.01	
Cash at bank and in hand		306,427.02

CURRENT LIABILITIES

Creditors	17,004.65	
Other Taxes and Social Security	1,340.46	
Accruals and Deferred Income	660.00	
		19,005.11

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Total net assets (liabilities)	312,022.04
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CAPITAL & RESERVES

Profit and loss brought forward	76,209.82
Retained profit for the current year	235,812.22

Capital & Reserves (total)	312,022.04
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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of New Start Cat Rescue

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the New Start Cat Rescue (the Trust) for the year ended 30 September 2019.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

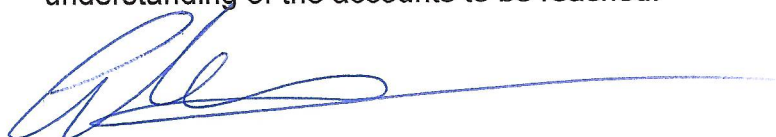
Independent examiner's statement

Since the Company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the 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 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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31st July 2020