Report of the Trustees and Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

Furbabies Cat Rescue Home Farm 236 Northfield Road Harborne Birmingham B17 0DT

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# Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

The trustees who present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 September 2021. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

#### Objectives and aims

The charity's objects ('Objects') are specifically restricted to the following:

- a) For the benefit of the public to relieve the suffering of animals in need of care and attention and, in particular, to provide and maintain rescue homes or other facilities for the reception, care and treatment of such animals.
- b) To promote humane behaviour towards animals by providing appropriate care, protection, treatment and security for animals which are in need of care and attention by reason of sickness, maltreatment, poor circumstances or ill usage and to educate the public in matters pertaining to animal welfare in general and the prevention of cruelty and suffering among animals.

# STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT Governing document

Furbabies Cat Rescue is a company limited by guarantee and a registered charity governed by a Memorandum and Articles of Association. The Directors of the charitable company ('the charity') are its trustees for the purpose of charity law and within this report are collectively referred to as the trustees.

## **Appointment of Trustees**

Potential new trustees are identified in accordance with the needs of the Charity, usually on the recommendation of existing Trustees and/or partner organisations of the charity. Final appointment follows a probationary period of observing attendance at board meetings.

#### **ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE**

# The year in review

Within the time period mentioned Furbabies took in approximately 207 cats, of which 168 were successfully rehomed. The difference in numbers being made up of cats reunited with owners, put to sleep due to severe illnesses or cats residing in foster waiting to be rehomed. Each year the intake figure is different due to a number of factors impacting upon cats requiring a rescue home, however, the total amount of cats rescued, rehabilitated and rehomed since 2013 when the rescue first began is 1395. Successful home checks were completed for every single cat or kitten that was adopted, as well as proof of neutering and micro-chipping was obtained as part of the adoption agreement. This further demonstrates our goals of decreasing the overpopulation of cats and championing the overall well-being and health of the cats.

The rescue continues to be successful through the growing support of its followers. This is reflected through social media platforms such as our website, Instagram and more importantly our Facebook Page which has reached a community of 15,351 people.

# Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

# **ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE - continued**

Our network of foster homes has increased, Furbabies now uses a total of 27 foster homes. Our fosterers are invaluable and are the backbone of the rescue, being responsible for assessing the personalities of the foster cats and working with us to find the most suitable adoptive homes.

An achievement this year has been networking with various other organisations such as veterinary surgeries, other rescues and none animal related companies. Through such relationships we have been extremely lucky to benefit from their kind donations in form of food, litter, carry boxes and monetary donations. The rescue has also partnered up with two independent rescues that predominantly look and care for feral cat colonies in the most deprived are of Birmingham. Furbabies has and will continue to support them to care for these colonies by providing donations of resources such as food and outdoor shelters.

Each year the number of unneutered cats appears to continue to sadly increase. Alike all cat rescues, this is something that we strive to combat through the process of trapping, neutering, and returning feral cats in areas which have high numbers of feral colonies. In some circumstances we have managed to secure small holdings such as stables to take on such cats that would otherwise not be rehomeable into a domestic environment, subsequently taking them out of an otherwise dangerous, urban settings.

#### FINANCIAL REVIEW

#### **Financial Overview**

Donations are imperative to the running costs of the rescue. The majority of donations received come via PayPal, the Facebook donate button as well as cash donations and the Pound Club. Collectively, the Pound Club donations total to over £900 each month, this is helping to provide a more stable income and allows the rescue to maintain reserve funds of between 6 - 9 months.

Since charity status has been obtained Furbabies have been able to make and claim several gift aid submissions from the HMRC giving the rescue a further income of £2,249 in 2020/21.

The Coronavirus pandemic still massively impacted upon our ability to attend and host events due to social distancing. We were able to fundraise at some outdoor events and managed to raise £2,907. The remaining monies raised from our fundraising efforts were from online raffles and cat nip knitted toy sales.

The current state of finances allows us to continue the daily running of the rescue.

#### Reserves policy

The Trustees have agreed to a policy to maintain an unrestricted reserves position to hold between 6 and 9 months expenditure. Based on existing unrestricted reserves of £24,564 the Trustees are satisfied that the existing reserves levels achieves this.

# Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist. The trustees have considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for 12 months from authorising these financial statements.

# Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

#### **FUTURE PLANS**

Our goals for the coming year are very similar to the previous year, this includes continuing to expand our already established foster network. This will allow us to take more cats into rescue by having more fosterers on hand to care for them. This in turn will increase the overall numbers of cats we continue to rescue, rehabilitate and rehome.

We will continue to advertise our Pound Club in order to attract more donors and increase our stable monthly income. More gift aid submissions will be completed as we become more diligent with the online process and gathering eligible gift aid donors.

We will strive to maximise our fundraising efforts, adopting a slightly different approach of hosting more events rather than attending them. Now the Coronavirus pandemic has subsided to a level of safety, we are looking to plan and host larger events which in turn will ultimately provide a bigger fundraising profit.

Furbabies' long-term goal is to gather enough finances and resources to obtain a small premises. We are under no illusion that this will take vision, time and continuous fundraising efforts over the upcoming years, however, we are driven to achieve this by the passion we have for the feline species.

Furbabies believe the upcoming year will be as successful, if not more, than this one surrounded by a loyal and compassionate community of followers, fosterers and donators which allows us to continue doing what we do.

# Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

# REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS Registered Charity number 1175898

#### Registered office

Home Farm 236 Northfield Road Harborne Birmingham B17 0DT

#### Trustees

Zoe Henderson Karen Burks Jane Cotterill (resigned 9 July 2021) Amanda Sheridan Kim Weston Christopher Austin Jane Pitcher (appointed 25 August 2021)

# Secretary

Zoe Henderson

## Accountants

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#### Bankers

TSB 1401 Bristol Road South Longbridge Birmingham B31 2SU

# **Independent Examiner**

Paul Weston 70 Camberley Road Kingswinford DY6 8QP

# Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

## STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees (who are also the directors of Furbabies Cat Rescue for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the report of the trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom accounting standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP,
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 25 May 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

Karen Burks

Trustee

# Report of the Independent Examiner for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

I report on the Accounts of the company for the year ended 30 September 2021

## Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purpose of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 and that an independent examination is needed.

We are satisfied that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for an independent examination, it is our responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 43 of the 1993 Act
- Follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the charity commission under section 43(7)(b)of the 1993 Act, and
- State whether particular matters have come to our attention

# Basis of independent examiner's report

The examination is carried out 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 includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning 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 statement below.

# Independent examiner's statement

In connection with the examination no matter has come to our attention which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Company Act 2006, and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Company Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice Accounting and Reporting by Charities (revised 2005) have not been met, or to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Paul Weston Independent Examiner

20 May 2022

# Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

	Ui	2020/21 prestricted funds	2020/21 Restricted funds	2020/21 Total funds	2019/20 Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies Charitable activities	2	23,706		23,706	30,156
Charitable activities	3	12,889	-	12,889	15,542
Other trading activities	4	2,907	-	2,907	4,975
Total		39,502	-	39,502	50,674
EXPENDITURE ON Charitable activities					
Charitable activities	5	37,865		37,865	40,491
Total		37,865		37,865	40,491
NET INCOME		1,637		1,637	10,183
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS	8				
Total funds brought forward		22,927		22,927	12,744
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		24,564		24,564	22,927

# **CONTINUING OPERATIONS**

All income and expenditure has arisen from continuing activities.

# Balance Sheet At 30 September 2021

	Uı	2020/21 prestricted funds	2020/21 Restricted funds	2020/21 Total funds	2019/20 Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible fixed assets	10	2,090	-	2,090	4,179
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank and in hand		22,938		22,938	19,123
Debtors	7	1,302	•	1,302	
		24,239		24,239	19,123
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	6	1,765	-	1,765	375
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)		22,475	<u> </u>	22,475	18,748
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT					
LIABILITIES	- 4	24,564	•	24,564	22,927
NET ASSETS		24,564		24,564	22,927
FUNDS	8				
Unrestricted funds		24,564	-	24,564	22,927
Restricted funds					
		24,564		24,564	22,927
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For the year end 30 September 2021 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibility for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and for the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 25 May 2022 and were signed on its behalf by:

Karen Burks Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

#### 1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 ' The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

#### Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

For donations to be recognised the charity will have been notified of the amounts and the settlement date in writing. If there are conditions attached to the donation and this requires a level of performance before entitlement can be obtained then the income is deferred until those conditions are fully met or the fulfilment of those conditions is within the control of the charity and it is probable that they will be fulfilled.

Income from trading activities includes income earned from trading activities at events. Income is received in exchange for supplying goods and services, in order to raise funds and is recognised when entitlement has occurred.

#### Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs relating to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to a particular heading they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Expenditure is classified under the following activity headings:

Expenditure on charitable activities includes the direct costs of activities undertaken to further the purposes of the charity, including grants payable and all associated support costs.

Cost of raising funds comprises the costs of commercial trading.

Support costs are those that assist the work of the charity but do not directly represent charitable activities and include office costs, governance costs and administrative support costs. They are incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the charity. Where support costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to cost of raising funds and expenditure on charitable activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

#### 1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Taxation**

The charity is an exempt charity within the meaning of schedule 3 of the Charities Act 2011 and is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes.

#### Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

#### **Tangible Fixed Assets**

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Motor Vehicles - 25% on cost

Individual fixed assets costing £1,000 or more are capitalised at cost.

# Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

#### Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

#### **Debtors**

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

## TRUSTEES REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 September 2021, nor for the year ended 30 September 2020.

# Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30 September 2021, nor for the year ended 30 September 2020.

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

2	INCOME FROM DONATIONS AND LEGACIES		
		2020/21	2019/20
		£	£
	Donations	23,706	30,156
3	INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES		
3	INCOME FROM CHARTIABLE ACTIVITIES	2020/21	2019/20
		£	£
	Adoption Fees	10,640	12,756
	Gift Aid	2,249	2,786
		12,889	15,542
4	INCOME FROM OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES		
	THE CONTENT OF THE CO	2020/21	2019/20
		£	£
	Goods Sold	2,907	4,975
5	EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES	AT A LANGE	
,	EXPENDITORE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES	2020/21	2040/20
		£	2019/20 £
	Events	33	793
	Veterinary Fees	30,679	26,792
	Marketing & PR	107	159
	Administration	786	642
	Vehicle Costs and Travel	1,184	2,142
	Animals Foods & Consumables	2,636	4,040
	I.T Costs	317	373
	Depreciation	2,089	2,089
	Goods For Resale	34	3,462
		37,865	40,491
6	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
		2020/21	2019/20
		£	£
	Trade Creditors	1,390	
	Accruals and Deferred Income	375	375
		1,765	375
7	DEBTORS		
-		0000104	
		2020/21	2019/20
	Prepayments and Accrued Income	£ 1,302	£
		1,302	

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

## 8 MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

		Net movement	
	At 30.09.20 £	in funds	At 30.09.21 £
Unrestricted funds General fund	22,927	1,637	24,564
TOTAL FUNDS	22,927	1,637	24,564

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds General fund	39,502	37,865	1,637
TOTAL FUNDS	39,502	37,865	1,637

# 9 STAFF COSTS AND ASSOCIATED EXPENSES

The charity employed no members of staff for the year ended 30 September 2021, nor for the year ended 30 September 2020.

# 10 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Motor Vehicles £	Total £
Cost	0.057	
At 01.10.2020 Additions	8,357	8,357
At 30.09.2021	8,357	8,357
Depreciation		
At 01.10,2020	4,178	4,178
Charge	2,089	2,089
At 30.09.2021	6,267	6,267
Net book value at 30.09.2020	4,179	4,179
Net book value at 30.09,2021	2,090	2,090

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

# 11 COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2020

		2019/20 Unrestricted funds	2019/20 Restricted funds	2019/20 Total funds
	Notes	£	٤	٤
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM Donations and legacies		30,156		30,156
Charitable activities Charitable activities		15,542		15,542
Other trading activities		4,975		4,975
Total		50,674		50,674
EXPENDITURE ON Charitable activities Charitable activities		40,491	<u> </u>	40,491
Total		40,491		40,491
NET INCOME		10,183		10,183
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS				
Total funds brought forward		12,744		12,744
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		22,927		22,927

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

# 12 COMPARATIVE MOVEMENT IN FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2020

		Net movement	
	At 30.09.19	in funds	At 30.09.20 £
Unrestricted funds General fund	12,744	10,183	22,927
TOTAL FUNDS	12,744	10,183	22,927
Net movement in funds, included in the at	oove are as follows:		
	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds General fund	50,674	40,491	10,183
TOTAL FUNDS	50,674	40,491	10,183