

Pets in Need Chairman's report for the year 2024

The Charity has had a continued period of uncertainty due to the length of time probate has taken. The property was confirmed as being left to Pets in Need from Dorothy Maden's will. While this provides some certainty, it presents challenges due to the cost of maintaining the buildings now resting solely with the charity. Taxes and expenses are meaning donations to the charity are spent on property expenses which is not the main role of the charity and diverting costs from animal care.

Our reserves are diminishing and are not sufficient to redevelop the house to be in a liveable state. The charity needs to consider all options for the future of the site – retention, sale, relocation or refurbishment.

The biggest decision of the year was that the shop was closed in July 2024. This happened after much agonising, due to it unfortunately no longer being able to make a significant fundraising contribution – with a net profit of less than £1000 for the year. My huge thanks to Marian and the volunteers for their dedication and work at the shop over the years, and to the team who cleared the stock from the shop over a weekend after it had closed for the final time.

Committee

I have been very grateful for the support and encouragement of the committee. I am still very busy with my work commitments and have had to reduce my input again.

Operations

We have managed to return to some degree of normality in animal care but have had reduced incomes. I am very grateful for the volunteers who continue to come to look after the animals and welcome the new volunteers.

Animal care.

I continue to be proud of the work that the volunteers do in and around the charity – the dedication and hard work to the welfare of the animals at the sanctuary is clearly evident. We have many animals seeing out their days happily in our care with substantial vet bills to support that care. Many cats have been rescued and brought back to good health, then rehomed, this has been limited by the uncertainty of continued operations and volunteers.

Volunteers

We previously had diminishing number of volunteers, so the work had fallen on fewer shoulders. I am pleased to see that more volunteers have come forward, but we still rely on a small, core group to keep care going. The commitment of our volunteers is what makes this charity and is hugely appreciated, and I give my sincere thanks to all still involved and welcome the recent additions. Although not 2024, I want to particularly thank Kath and Gary Wild, who left in June 2025, for their support every weekend for almost a decade and who mentored many new and young volunteers.

Fundraising

The annual open day and dog show and other fundraisers have been a great success and other fundraising ideas been started which have made a great start, including garage sales and ad hoc events.

Audit

We have reappointed an independent Auditor – Donna Brown - to review the accounts.

Conclusion

I would like to thank all the volunteers and trustees for your support of Pets in Need.

Andrew White

Chair, Pets in Need (Lancashire)

June 2025

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Treasurers Report
31.12.24

Donations were significantly increased in the year end 2024 compared to the previous year by approximately £3,000. Various events were held throughout the year including online raffles, garage sales and fairs which had an increase of over £3.7k on the previous year. Our Annual Open Day and Dog Show performed financially well as the previous year which is our main fundraising event. Investment income was greater in 2024 compared to previous and standing orders have increased in the last twelve months. We also received grants in 2024 compared to the previous year. The charity shop unfortunately closed its doors in July 2024 after being open for many years.

Maintenance expenditure has increased over 2024 compared to the previous year and the insurance premium for the property has risen dramatically. Cat veterinary fees are increased due to helping more cats and rabbits through ill health, neutering and vaccinations. The cost of animal feed has increased over the years which makes a significant impact on our spending.

The main financial hit for the charity in 2024 was professional fees which meant that we were able to own the land that the charity is based upon thus giving us permanent stability. Advice was sought from The Charity Commission prior to parting with funds.

Emily Freeman
Treasurer

16/07/2025

Profit and Loss
Pets in Need
1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

Income	31 Dec 24
Donations	7035.87
CAT Donations	1795
Donation Boxes	398.27
Stalls/Events	9149.58
Open Day	4746.54
Shop	7282.35
Grants	1500
Legacies	0
Bankers Orders	976.55
Investment Income	5937.23
Sponsorships	863.50
Misc (Pet Insurance Commissions ETC.)	1685.55
Total Income	£41,370.44
Gross Profit	£41,370.44

Expenditure	31 Dec 24
Cost of fundraising	831.55
Maintenance	6949.02
Ancillary Help	6331.03
Insurance	2551.91
Shop	5088.89
Van	0
Vet Fees	3191.60
Cat Fees	11564.36
Animal Feed	9138.90
Cat Food	2127.66
Animal Other	70.35
Telephone	649.97
Advertising	239
Goods Purchased	846.24
Postage & Stationary	293.38
Professional Fees	10000
Subscription	673.40
Total Operating Expenses	£61,823.26
Net Profit	-£20,452.82

Profit and Loss
Pets in Need
1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023

Income	31 Dec 23
Donations	4922.49
CAT Donations	2073
Donation Boxes	152.24
Stalls/Events	5411.14
Open Day	4625.60
Shop	11031.42
Grants	0
Legacies	4000
Bankers Orders	667.46
Investment Income	389.97
Sponsorships	352
Misc (Pet Insurance Commissions, ETC)	1038.39
Total Income	£34,663.71
Gross Profit	£34,663.71

Expenditure	31 Dec 23
Cost of fundraising	1165.90
Maintenance	7667.91
Ancillary Help	4985.99
Insurance	912.09
Shop	8937.56
Van	0
Vet Fees	2595.60
Cat Fees	9384.50
Animal Feed	8745.17
Cat Food	2557.60
Animal Other	528.62
Telephone	732.17
Advertising	243.66
Goods Purchased	839.99
Postage & Stationary	489.64
Professional Fees	636
Subscription	616.40
Total Operating Expenses	£50,738.80
Net Profit	-£16,075.09

Pets in Need Balance Sheet

Year Ending 2024

2024

<u>Bank Accounts</u>	31.12.24
NatWest	28905.10
RBS Gold Deposit	6550.45
Quilter	55897.07
Barclays	50424.53
Cash	932.54
Total	£142,709.69

Expenditure	61,823.26
Income	41,370.44
Deficit	-20,452.82

Balance	<u>£142,709.69</u>
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2023

<u>Bank Accounts</u>	31.12.23
NatWest	57016.66
RBS Gold Deposit	5741.11
Quilter	50707.50
Barclays	49677.24
Cash	20.00
Total	£163,162.51

Expenditure	50,738.80
Income	34,663.71
Deficit	-16,075.09

Balance	<u>£163,162.51</u>
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Pets in Need Lancs

Registered Charity No. 1020244

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11th July 2025

To Pets in Need Trustees,

As an independent examiner I have reviewed the accounts and accounting records for Pets in Need Lancashire for the year ending 31st December 2024.

I can confirm that:

- Proper accounting records have been kept
- The accounts agree with the accounting records
- There are no unusual items of income or expenditure

Yours Faithfully

Donna Brown

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