Chair's Report:

As I reflect on the past year, I am filled with immense pride and gratitude for what we have achieved together. Despite ongoing challenges facing animal welfare charities, our community has continued to demonstrate extraordinary compassion, dedication, and generosity toward cats in need.

At the heart of our mission is a simple belief: every cat deserves safety, care, and the chance to live a happy and healthy life. This year, thanks to your support, we have made a meaningful difference to hundreds of vulnerable cats and kittens who arrived in our care seeking a second chance.

Hector's House Cat Rescue was established for the public benefit, to promote humane behaviour towards cats in the Borough of Torbay and elsewhere by providing care, protection, treatment and security for cats in need of care and attention due to sickness, maltreatment, poor circumstances or ill usage, rehoming such cats where necessary. We do this by providing a rescue, rehabilitation and rehoming service, and veterinary care, for domestic and feral cats and kittens. Our guiding principle is that if a cat has a chance of a life without suffering, we will do everything in our power to enable that to happen.

Hector's House is staffed by four paid employees (two full-time and two part-time) and 100 volunteers, and works predominantly to rescue and rehome stray and abandoned male cats, which are the most difficult to rehabilitate. We work to reunite lost cats with their owners, respond to calls for assistance from the public, and work with veterinary practices, local authorities, and other charities and cat welfare organisations. More information is available on our website at https://www.hectorshousecatrescue.co.uk/

Lost cats:

We work hard to return lost cats to their owners, if they can be traced or come forward, primarily using information from an animal's microchip if available, and using social media and other local enquiries. We have an outreach service, with a team of volunteers across Devon who will carry out an initial visit to scan a cat of concern if possible, or scan an injured or deceased cat so its owner can be informed. The cat may be paper-collared if no microchip is detected, or if not approachable, a trap will be set to secure the cat so it can be scanned and returned to its owner.

Unclaimed and surrendered cats will be brought to a pen for assessment. If a cat is surrendered to the care of the charity, or no owner is found after an appropriate period of advertising, it will
be given a health check and receive any required veterinary treatment. Its behaviour will be assessed before an appropriate home is found.

Feral cats:

We respond to many calls about feral cats. These are cats that have been born in the wild, receive no suitable socialisation between 2-8 weeks and cannot be domesticated. If left, a colony can quickly grow in size to cause problems, so we will neuter feral cats and provide health care, then either return them to their original location, or find a

suitable feral placement where food and shelter are available. This is known as TNR, or Trap, Neuter and Return, which is an established welfare practice.

Rehoming:

All our cats offered for rehoming receive a health check and any necessary veterinary treatment. Life as a long-term stray can cause serious health problems, which we will ensure are treated. Although cats may appear well from a distance, they are good at hiding pain and distress. Strays often develop dental problems, matted coats, injuries from fighting, abscesses, parasite infections, and are prone to catching serious life-limiting diseases. Cats for rehoming will be neutered and given all the treatment they need, and are rehomed with five weeks' free pet insurance with Agria, which gives a donation to Hector's House for each policy subsequently taken out.

Kittens:

Kittens born in our care, or brought in young enough to be domesticated, are cared for by fosterers. Before they are rehomed, all kittens are socialised, neutered, health checked, given flea and worming treatment and vaccinations, and they will be covered by five weeks' free pet insurance from Agria Insurance.

Public benefit:

We promote cat welfare and good practice on our website and social media platforms. We provide advice to owners whose cats have gone missing, including a guide on what to do which is published on our website. We provide advice and information and advocate neutering and microchipping of all cats, and also publish advice on our website on what people should do if they are concerned about a cat.

The charity is committed to learning and developing our knowledge base, skills and practice.

In late September 2024, the charity applied for full membership of the Association of Dogs and Cats Homes (ADCH). Thanks to the hard work of trustee Kitty Oldfield, I'm delighted to say that after an on-site assessment in December 2024, we were approved as full members in February 2025.

To strengthen our ability to raise funds for the cats, we decided to move our current shop from Lucius Street, Torquay to 187 Queensway, Torquay.

The new shop has an increased amount of storage space and is much more accessible, with plenty of free parking nearby.

The new shop opened in June 2025 and thanks to the hard work of the staff and volunteers, has proven to be a valuable source of income.

During the period we continued to maintain a strong working relationship with our main veterinary practice, MediVet Torquay (previously Animal Health Centre). I would like to thank all the staff there for their ongoing support and understanding of the often complex and demanding needs of our cats. Additionally, we continued to enjoy a good relationship with Jonathan Woods veterinary practice in Crediton, for our excess

neutering requirements, and since the summer of 2025, Estuary Vets in Topsham.
Our team of employees remained at four during this period, although the shop manager's hours were increased from 10 to 20 per week.

No rescue organisation succeeds without dedicated people. Our volunteers collectively contributed thousands of hours to animal care, transport, fundraising, administration, and fundraising events. Their compassion and commitment are the foundation of everything we achieve.
I would also like to thank our foster carers, whose homes provide safe and nurturing environments for cats awaiting adoption. The patience, love, and understanding they offer often make the difference between survival and thriving.
Our team of volunteers stabilised at approximately 100. They included 16 kitten fosterers, who cared for mums and kittens in their homes, 19 adult cat fosterers, a driver, and more than 65 others in roles including admin, social media, fundraising, volunteering in our new shop, pen maintenance and outreach. Our team of pen organisers taking care of all the needs of the cats at HQ twice a day remained at 40.
I would like to thank all our volunteers for their amazing hard work and commitment to our cause.

We are grateful for financial support during the period which included legacies from Gareth Perkins and Andy Carroll, and a grant from the Animal Rescue Foundation Ltd.

Our reputation in the community continued to grow. We are grateful for fundraising opportunities from Pets at Home and Dunelm in Torquay during this period. We are also grateful to the many individuals and companies who donated money, food and equipment, and supported our fundraising events.
Cats rehomed:
We took in 726 cats and kittens. 17 died while in our care, 68 were euthanised due to insurmountable health reasons. 111 were allocated to alternative placements and all the other unclaimed cats were adopted.
During this period we were involved in several feral cat colony situations. There were three cats in long-term foster care during this period.
Yet again, it was a very busy year, with absolutely no sign of the unowned cat crisis in this country abating, but with the new centre and staffing in place, we continue to strive to make a significant difference in our locality.
Towards the end of this period, I began to consider how we could further help reduce the cat population in our area but more on that in next year's report!

To our staff members and trustees, thank you for your professionalism, resilience, and unwavering focus on animal welfare throughout another demanding year.
I would like express specific thanks to Kitty Oldfield for her exceptional work in developing our policies and procedures to match the growth of the charity.

While the challenges facing animal welfare organisations remain significant, we are confident that with your continued support, we can help even more cats find the safety, care, and loving homes they deserve.

On behalf of everyone at the charity, thank you for being part of our mission. Whether you donated, volunteered, fostered, adopted, attended an event, or simply helped spread awareness, your support has changed lives.
Together, we are creating a future where every cat is valued, protected, and given the opportunity to thrive.

With sincere gratitude,
Zara Oldfield Hector's House Cat Rescue

Trustees report:
The trustees are pleased to present their report and the financial statements of the charity for the 12-month period ended November 30, 2025. This was the fifth full period of operation, in which Hector's House Cat Rescue was registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales. The trustees confirm that their report and financial statements meet statutory requirements.
As a charity, we recognise our responsibility to manage every donation wisely. Rising veterinary costs, utility bills, and operational expenses presented significant challenges throughout the year. Nevertheless, careful financial management and strong fundraising support enabled us to continue delivering essential services without compromising our standards of care.
We remain deeply grateful to our donors, grant providers and fundraising supporters whose contributions made our work possible. Every pound donated has helped provide food, shelter, veterinary treatment, and hope to cats in the most need.
Due to significant legacies from Gareth Perkins and Andy Carroll we paid off our interest-free loan to our anonymous donor.
Despite our accounts showing we have surplus funds of circa £153,000, please note that this figure includes:
• a refund finally received in September 2025 from HMRC of around £90,000 for historic VAT reclaimed;
• £10,000 ring-fenced for the forced air system due to be installed in the upstairs pen room in the Autumn of 2026, £10000 for the air conditioning due to be installed in September 2026 and the remaining legacy monies from Andy and Pip Carroll.
The remaining excess funds have all been allocated to a new project going forward, which we are currently unable to reveal.

Hector's House Cat Rescue

Annual Report and Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 30 November 2025

Hector's House Cat Rescue

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Hector's House Cat Rescue

Reference and Administrative Details

Charity name	Hector's House Cat Rescue
Charity number	1192317
Trustees	Zara Oldfield Alison Short Clive Appleby Edward Oldfield Elaine Rowe Kitty Oldfield
Address	51 Audley Avenue Torquay Devon TQ2 7PB
Accountant	Saxton Vincent Accountancy 37 Shiphay Lane Torquay Devon TQ2 7DU

Accountants' Report to the Trustees on the Unaudited Accounts of

Hector's House Cat Rescue

In accordance with the engagement letter , and in order to assist you to fulfil your duties we have compiled the financial statements of the registered charity from the accounting records and information and explanations you have given to us.

This report is made to the Charity's Board of Trustees, as a body, in accordance with the terms of our engagement. Our work has been undertaken so that we might compile the financial statements that we have been engaged to compile, report to the Charity's Board of Trustees that we have done so, and state those matters that we have agreed to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's Board of Trustees, as a body, for our work or for this report.

You have acknowledged on the balance sheet as 30th November 2025 your duty to ensure that the charity has kept proper accounting records and to prepare financial statements that give a true and fair view. You consider that the charity is exempt from the statutory requirement for an audit for the year.

We have not been instructed to carry out an audit of the financial statements. For this reason, we have not verified the accuracy or completeness of the accounting records or information and explanations you have given to us and we do not, therefore, express any opinion on the financial statements.

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Saxton Vincent Accountancy

37 Shiphay Lane
Torquay
Devon

TQ2 7DU

Date:

Hector's House Cat Rescue

Balance Sheet as at 30 November 2025

	Note	2025 £	2025 £	2024 £	2024 £
Fixed Assets					
Tangible assets	4	337,388		316,305	
Current Assets					
Debtors	5	8,306		95,684	
Cash at bank and in hand		196,627		87,017	
		204,933		182,701	
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	6	(3,468)		(4,024)	
Net current assets			538,853		494,782
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	7	-		(109,146)	
Net assets			538,853		385,636
The funds of the charity:					
Restricted funds			-		-
Unrestricted funds					
Unrestricted income funds	10		538,853		385,636
Members' Funds			538,853		385,636

On behalf of the board

Zara Oldfield (Jul 1, 2026 12:10:54 GMT+1)

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Signed by: Zara Oldfield

Date:

1 Accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (Charities SORP FRSSE) (effective 1 January 2015) and applicable accounting standards.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the charity is responsible in law.

Fund accounting policy

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees' discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity. Restricted funds are those donated for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area

Incoming resources

Donations are recognised where there is entitlement, certainty of receipt and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the statement of financial activities at the same time as the gift to which they relate.

Resources expended

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the charity. Expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £0 or more are initially recorded at cost.

Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less

Plant and machinery	20% reducing balance
Fixtures and fittings	20% reducing balance
Motor Vehicles	20% reducing balance

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2 Depreciation of tangible fixed assets

	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024
Depreciation charge on Plant & equipment	1,139	1,424
Depreciation charge on Fixtures & fittings	1,374	1,718
Depreciation charge on Motor Vehicles	1,964	2,455
	4,477	5,597

3 Trustees'remuneration and expenses

No trustees received any remuneration

4 Tangible fixed assets

	Rescue Centre	Plant & equipment	Fixtures & fittings	Motor Vehicles	Total
Cost					
Brought forward	293,722	11,122	11,911	17,229	333,984
Additions		898	18,135	13,167	32,200
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
As at 30 November 2025	293,722	12,020	30,046	30,396	366,184
Depreciation					
Brought forwards		5,427	5,042	7,410	17,879
Charge for the year		1,319	5,001	4,597	10,917
As at 30 November 2025	-	6,746	10,043	12,007	28,796
Net book value					
As at 30 November 2025	293,722	5,274	20,003	18,389	337,388
As at 30 November 2024	293,722	5,695	6,869	9,819	316,105

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5 Debtors

	2025	2024
	£	£
Debtors	8,306	95,684
	8,306	95,684

6 Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	1,260	2,520
Trade Creditors	2,208	1,504
	3,468	4,024

7 Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Other loans		109,146
	-	109,146

8 General Information

Hector's House Cat Rescue Registered number 1192317 is a limited by guarantee charity incorporated in England & Wales. The Registered Office is 51 Audley Avenue, Torquay, Devon, TQ2 7PB.

10 Reconcilliation of funds

	Unrestricted Funds
Funds Brought forward	385,636
Surplus during the year	153,217
Funds Carried forward	538,853

Hector's House Cat Rescue

Income and Expenditure Account for the Period Ended 30 November 2025

	30-Nov-25		30-Nov-24	
	£	£	£	£
INCOME				
Card and Calender Sales		1,358		2,333
Adoption Fees		44,278		40,655
Fundraising		8,515		1,550
Donations		267,981		185,180
Grants and subsidies received		12,480		112,419
Other trading income		67,742		33,105
		402,354		375,242
COST OF SALES				
Specialist Cat Food/Litter/ Medication and other pet expenses	19,074		24,382	
Vet Fees	98,025		99,898	
		(117,099)		(124,280)
GROSS SURPLUS		285,255		250,962
Administrative Expenses				
Travel and subsistence expenses	681		235	
Light and heat	3,899		2,123	
Rates	1,879		1,574	
Cleaning & Laundry	3,801		1,904	
Vehicle running costs	9,877		9,070	
Computer software, consumables and maintenance	3,620		6,509	
Repairs, renewals and maintenance	5,448		7,168	
Insurance	4,071		5,841	
Printing, postage and stationery	1,123		2,190	
Advertising and marketing costs	3,784		2,373	
Telecommunications and data costs	1787		713	
Accountancy fees	2,940		3,000	
Bookkeeping fees				
Legal and professional fees	1,445		258	
Wages and salaries	59,826		35,820	
Employee pension costs	787		493	
Rent	12,805		7,525	
Bank charges	2,276		1,054	
Depreciation of plant and machinery	1,319		1,424	
Depreciation of motor vehicles	4,597		2,455	
Depreciation of fixtures and fittings	5,001		1,718	
Sundry expenses	1,072		2,026	
		(132,038)		(95,473)
SURPLUS FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD		153,217		155,489

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CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name: Hector's House Cat Rescue

On accounts for the year ended: 30 November 2025

Charity no (if any): 1192317

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed: [signature] **Date:** 09/09/2026

Name: SHARNA YEOWELL

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any): MAAT

Address: 37 SHIPHAY LANE
TORQUAY
TQ2 7DU

Section B Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.