Axholme Cat Rescue

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Period ending

1 December 2025

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Trustees Annual Report
For the period ending 1 December 2025

The Trustees present their report with the independently examined financial statements of Axholme Cat Rescue. This is the first period of operation of the Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), which covers from 6th April 2023 to 1 December 2023.

Reference and Administrative Details of the Charity, its Trustees and Advisers

Name of charity: Axholme Cat Rescue

Charity Registration Number: 1202639

Charity's Principal Address: Axholme Cat Rescue
Medley House Farm
Carrhouse Road
Belton
Doncaster
DN9 1PG

Trustees:

Names of Trustees who served during the period and since the period end were as follows:-

Name:	Position:	Dates of service if not for the full period:
P Gleadell		First Trustee
S Reed-Lawson		First Trustee
I Gleadell		First Trustee
Dr L Nahmad-Williams	Chair	First Trustee
M S May		First Trustee
G Winston-Williams		First Trustee

Independent Examiner: Rebecca Triffitt, MAAT

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Bankers: Barclays
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Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document:

Axholme Cat Rescue is a registered Charitable Incorporated Organisation governed by its Constitution (foundation model), approved 6th April. The organisation was registered with the Charity Commission on the 6th April 2023.

Recruitment and appointment of Trustees:

The trustees form the Executive Committee of the charity. The members of the Executive Committee are elected at the Annual General Meeting by the members of the Charity. All members are circulated with invitations to nominate trustees in advance of the AGM.

The Constitution of the Charity states that there must be at least three charity trustees, with no maximum limit.

Apart from the first charity trustees all trustees are appointed for a 3 year term by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees.

Trustee Induction and Training:

All trustees are provided with the Charity Commissions 'Roles and Responsibilities of Trustees', the Constitution and the financial statements including the Annual Report. Any training required by the trustees may be requested at any point, where it is considered useful to their role as trustee.

Organisational Structure:

The board of Trustees manages the Charity, and aims to consider only strategic decisions at its meetings. Trustees are aware that any conflict of interest is declared and recorded and the person will be withheld from that part of the meeting and will not be able to vote for that bit of discussion. The board holds an AGM every year, other than that any charity trustee may call a meeting during the year.

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Risk Management:

The major risks, to which the charity is exposed, as identified by the Trustees, have been reviewed and systems have been established to mitigate those risks. All systems and procedures are reviewed regularly to ensure they meet charity law and our own organisations aims and objectives.

Objectives and Activities

The charity's object is:

"For the benefit of the public to relieve the suffering of cats and kittens in need of care and attention in areas of South Yorkshire, North Lincolnshire and Lincolnshire, in particular by providing and maintaining rescue homes and other facilities for the reception, care, treatment and rehoming of such animals."

Main objectives for the following year:

In shaping our objectives for the following year and planning our activities, the Trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and this is regularly re-visited.

The charity provides help in the local community to those people needing to re-home their cats, taking in stray cats handed in to the vets or roaming in the local community, and for those looking to adopt a cat. We also run a trap, neuter, return scheme for feral cats located in the area.

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Achievements and Performance

We are pleased to report that during the period from December 2024 to December 2025, we rehomed 70 cats, and 93 cats came into care. The rehoming numbers are slightly down on last year and the number coming into care is higher. We also have a long waiting list for cats needing to come into care, and we have found that this seems to be the case for all the local cat charities with whom we have formed mutual working relationships. For the first time, we made a decision to limit the intake distance (from 18 miles down to 15 miles radius of the address of the charity) due to the number of cats on the waiting list. This still covers areas within North Lincolnshire, Lincolnshire and South Yorkshire. We are trialling this for six months. The number of reasons cats need to come into care varies, and although we would love to respond to every request, we do have to prioritise. Priority cases rescued include:

- Cats and litters rescued from unsuitable locations/conditions, often neglected, and at risk of further cruelty or harm.
- Cats whose owners had sadly died or gone into care, often leaving elderly pets that are left homeless.
- Cats/kittens handed in or abandoned at local vet practices.
- Stray or feral pregnant cats or cats with kittens.
- Stray or unwanted cats & kittens, reported to us by concerned members of the public.

During 24/25 we continued to develop our fundraising streams, and we thank our hard working volunteers for their continued support at all events. There has been an increase in subscribers to our monthly online newsletter. Most of our sponsors have renewed their pen sponsorship, and we are delighted to have welcomed some new sponsors. We continue with our donation boxes in local shops, takeaways and pubs, theme nights, bingo nights (no monetary prizes), car boot sales, and coffee morning at the local Church. We have also continued with local Christmas events and summer shows and have attended some new venues this year which proved to be very successful.

As a purely volunteer led rescue, we are indebted to all our volunteers for their hard work in ensuring the cats and kittens receive the best possible care when they are with us, and the many donations of food, blankets, toys, and litter. We are also privileged to have some very talented volunteers who craft items for sale, prepare beautifully presented raffle hampers and prizes, and make props and games for our summer shows

The display cabinet for Axholme Cat Rescue at a local antiques centre is superbly organised and run by one of our volunteers with expert knowledge and experience of vintage and antique items. This proved so successful in 2025 that we have now requested an additional cabinet to be placed at the side of our current cabinet so that more items can be displayed. This is cheaper than one larger cabinet. All proceeds go to the rescue.

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As a charity, we receive support from Pet Plan, Whiskas Adoption Mission and the Pets at Home VIP club. This helps with food costs and items such as toys, beds and blankets. The Charity is still a member of the ADCH and continues to contribute and adhere to their standards.

We continue to work within the local community to control and manage the feral cat population. We trap, neuter and return (TNR) feral cats to site wherever possible. We work with a variety of sites, including farms, stables, skip hire yards, and industrial estates.

Charity improvements

The charity is committed to maintaining and building relationships with our local veterinary practices. The high levels of expertise and care provided by our vets help us ensure a high level of cat welfare standards. We are expanding the number of vet practices we use to ensure our cats receive the most appropriate specialist care for their needs. One of these practices, Arundell Vet Care, helped to raise £783.46 for our charity after completing a bike-a-thon, cycling 100km in 10 hours on an exercise bike. They also hosted an open day of a new branch in Carcroft, Doncaster and chose to support Axholme Cat Rescue, raising £307.40. We are so grateful for their support. It also raises the profile of the charity and enhances our local reputation as an ethical cat rescue.

The number of members joining our Facebook group has increased significantly and continues to be an important channel to engage with supporters and help rehome our rescued cats. We would still like to have a website to reach a wider group of people, with the aim of increasing rehoming and providing information about our work. We did apply for a grant to fund the set-up of a website but unfortunately this was unsuccessful. We will continue to work on this in the coming year.

We were delighted to receive a grant from the Pets Foundation of £3,535. This generous funding included £3,150 towards our vet bills and £385 to replace and purchase vital equipment. This enabled us to purchase additional cages to support the transfer of feral cats and sick cats. This includes an extra-large carrier, hospitalisation carrier, queen carrier and replacement rods for security.

We had two home foster carers and are now pleased to announce that we have a third home fosterer. This is specifically for adult cats, and once the cat has had a short settling in period, they have access to the full home. The new foster carer has now fostered and successfully rehomed five cats.

Financial Review

Reserves Policy

The charity reserves are currently healthy. We have a policy of holding three months reserves.

Plans for Future Years

Please see main objectives for the following year.

Statement of Trustees responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing a Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards. Axholme Cat Rescue has income below £250,000 and has therefore elected to prepare the financial statements on a Receipts and Payments basis in line with the Charities Act 2011.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Statement of disclosure of information to Independent Examiner

We, the Trustees of the charity who held office at the date of approval of these financial statements, each confirm so far as we are aware, that:

- there is no relevant information of which the charity's Independent Examiner is unaware; and
- We have taken all the steps that we ought to have taken as Trustees in order to make ourselves aware of any relevant information and to establish that the charity's independent examiners are aware of that information.

Independent Examiner

Rebecca Triffitt MAAT from Phoenix Accountancy and Business Consultancy has been appointed as Independent Examiner for the first accounting period.

Trustee Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees Annual Report.

Signed on behalf of the charity's Trustees

L. Nahmad-Williams

Dr L Nahmad-Williams
Chair of Trustees

Date: 5/8/26

Independent Examiner's Report to the Members of Axholme Cat Rescue

I report on the accounts of Axholme Cat Rescue for the period ending 1 December 2025, which are set out on pages 10 to 13.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this period under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.
It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any 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 my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

I 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.

Rebecca Triffitt MAAT
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Date: 12/8/26

Receipts and Payments Account
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	Note	2025 Unrestricted Funds	2025 Restricted Funds	2025 Total Funds	2024 Unrestricted Funds	2024 Restricted Funds	2024 Total Funds
RECEIPTS	1	£	£	£	£	£	£
Grants	2	-	3,535	3,535	-	4,000	4,000
Donations	3	10,873	-	10,873	6,479	-	6,479
Charitable Activities	4	19,833	-	19,833	18,467	-	18,467
Other Income		615	-	615	430	-	430
		31,321	**3,535**	**34,856**	**25,376**	**4,000**	**29,376**
PAYMENTS							
Food and Supplies		4,981	-	4,981	3,464	-	3,464
Vet Fees		13,907	3,150	17,057	12,356	-	12,356
Fundraising Expenses		3,255	-	3,255	4,145	-	4,145
Maintenance		3,320	-	3,320	2,290	4,000	6,290
Printing, postage & stationery		101	-	101	427	-	427
Training		-	-	-	454	-	454
Insurance		207	-	207	181	-	181
Licences		20	-	20	20	-	20
Equipment		195	385	580	350	-	350
Membership		-	-	-	208	-	208
Travel		3	-	3			
Accounts		240	-	240	240	-	240
Bank Charges		8	-	8	18		18
		26,237	3,535	29,772	24,153	4,000	28,153
Net Surplus/(Deficit) for the period		**5,084**	**-**	**5,084**	**1,223**	**0**	**1,223**
Funds transferred from unincorporated association		-	-	-	-	-	-
Cash and Bank Balances brought forward		**5,089**	**-**	**5,089**	**3,866**	**-**	**3,866**
Cash and Bank Balances carried forward		**10,173**	**-**	**10,173**	**5,089**	**0**	**5,089**

The notes on pages 12-13 form part of these financial statements

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

As at 1 December 2025

	Notes	2025 Total Funds £
Monetary Assets		
Current Account – Barclays		10,123
Current Account – Lloyds		-
Petty Cash		50
Total Monetary Assets		**10,173**
Comprising:		
Unrestricted Funds		10,173
Restricted Funds	4	-
		10,173
Non-Monetary Assets and Liabilities		
Debtors		-
Creditors		330

These financial statements have been approved by the committee on 5/8/26 (date) and signed on its behalf by:

L. Nahmad-Williams Dr L Nahmad-Williams, Chair

The notes on pages 12 - 13 form part of these financial statements.

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Notes

1 Basis of Preparation

These accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments (R&P) basis in line with charity commission guidance for a charity of this size. This is the second period of operation, the Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) registered with the Charity Commission on 6th April 2023.

2 Grants

	2025 Unrestricted Funds £	2025 Restricted Funds £	2025 Total Funds £	2024 Unrestricted Funds £	2024 Restricted Funds £	2024 Total Funds £
Naturewatch Foundation	-	-	-	-	2,850	2,850
Pets Foundation		3,535	3,535	-	-	-
ADCH	-	-	-		1,150	1,150
	-	3,535	3,535	-	4,000	4,000

3 Donations

	2025 Unrestricted Funds £	2025 Restricted Funds £	2025 Total Funds £	2024 Unrestricted Funds £	2024 Restricted Funds £	2024 Total Funds £
Donations& Sponsorships	10,873	-	10,873	6,479	-	6,479
	10,873	-	10,873	6,479	-	6,479

4 Charitable Activities

	2025 Unrestricted Funds £	2025 Restricted Funds £	2025 Total Funds £	2024 Unrestricted Funds £	2024 Restricted Funds £	2024 Total Funds £
Adoption Fees	6,350	-	6,350	8,747	-	8,747
Fundraising Activities	13,483	-	13,483	9,720	-	9,720
	19,833	-	19,833	18,467	-	18,467

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5 Restricted Funds

	Balance as at 01/12/24	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers between funds	Balance as at 01/12/25
	£	£	£	£	£
Pets Foundation	-	3,535	(3,535)	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	**3,535**	**(3,535)**	**-**	**-**

A brief description of the restricted funds are shown below:

Pets Foundation
Restricted funds received from Pets Foundation, contribute towards vet bills and new cat cages.

6 Taxation

Axholme Cat Rescue is a registered charity. All the charities' income is applied to its charitable objectives and the charity is therefore exempt under current legislation from most forms of taxation.

The charity is not VAT registered and all expenditure includes irrecoverable VAT.

7 Payments to Trustees

No remuneration directly or indirectly out of the funds of the Charity was paid or payable for the period to any Trustee.

There was also no reimbursement of travel expenses paid or payable to Trustees in respect of the period.