CAFO RESCUE



A CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER 1204056

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

TO 31ST DECEMBER 2025

ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

STRUCTURE

Registered charity number: 1204056

Registered body: Charity Commission for England and Wales

Registration date: 20th July 2023

The Charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, managed by 4 voluntary trustees, with a large number of volunteers and supporters.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

April Lysons (Chair)

Sarah Lysons

Sue Steele

Liz Laverick - reappointed July 2025, resigned October 2025

REGISTERED OFFICE

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WEBSITE

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

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BANKERS

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TRUSTEES REPORT

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Charitable Purpose: For the benefit of the public to relieve the suffering of cats 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, and to educate the public in matters pertaining to animal welfare in general and the prevention of cruelty and suffering among cats.

Activities undertaken: Our core work has continued to focus on the rescue and rehoming of cats and kittens who find themselves in need.

The charity delivers its work entirely through volunteers and a network of foster homes rather than operating a rescue centre. This approach enables cats to receive individual care in a home environment while allowing the charity to respond flexibly to changing demand. Partnerships with local veterinary practices, supporters and other rescue organisations are integral to the delivery of our charitable activities.

Upon intake, all cats and kittens are placed into foster care where they receive dedicated, individual attention. We ensure that every cat is seen by a veterinary professional and receives appropriate treatment, including vaccinations, flea and worm treatment, and neutering/spaying where required.

Our rehoming process is thorough and designed to ensure the best possible match between cat and adopter. We carefully review applications and conduct comprehensive home checks before any adoption takes place.

In addition to rescue and rehoming, we actively scan both deceased and live/injured cats reported to us, in an effort to reunite them with their owners.

We also operate a Trap, Neuter, Return (TNR) programme for feral cats, enabling them to remain in their familiar environment while preventing unwanted breeding.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Summary of Achievements – last 12 months: During 2025, demand for our services continued to grow as increasing numbers of cats and kittens required rescue, veterinary treatment and safe foster placements. Thanks to the dedication of our volunteers, foster carers and supporters, we were able to respond to these challenges, providing care, rehabilitation and successful outcomes for hundreds of cats throughout the year.

We began 2025 with 32 cats in our care, including 8 in Long Term Foster Care. During the year, 22 of these cats found loving new homes, while 2 were sadly humanely euthanised due to serious health issues.

Throughout 2025, we rescued 146 cats, and a further 23 kittens were born to mothers already in our care, meaning we cared for a total of 201 cats during the year.

By the end of 2025:

- 125 cats had been successfully rehomed into loving permanent homes.
- 9 cats were returned or reunited with their owners.
- 3 cats entered Long Term Foster Care.
- 1 cat was identified as having gone missing from another rescue and was safely returned to their care.

- 4 feral cats were trapped, neutered and returned (TNR) to the environments where they were happiest and best suited to live.
- Sadly, 7 cats died or had to be humanely put to sleep due to illness or injury.

Every rescue, reunion, rehoming and welfare decision was made with the cats' best interests at heart.

During the year, the cats in our care were looked after by a dedicated network of 47 foster carers, who stepped up to offer their homes, time, care and attention to ensure every cat received the love and support they needed. Some provided temporary foster homes, often after finding a stray cat themselves when we had no immediate space available, caring for them with our guidance and support. Others helped in emergency situations, while many welcomed a continual stream of cats and kittens into their homes throughout the year. Every one of our foster carers plays a vital role in our work, and we are incredibly grateful for their compassion, commitment and generosity.

We ended the year with 31 cats still in our care, including 11 in Long Term Foster, ready to continue their journey towards permanent homes or ongoing specialist care where appropriate.

Impact on beneficiaries: We have made a meaningful difference to the lives of both the animals and the individuals and communities we support.

Many of the cats and kittens we helped were in urgent need of medical care, shelter, and socialisation. These cats received veterinary attention, appropriate nutrition, and a safe environment in which to recover, preparing them for a new life in loving homes.

Our efforts to reunite lost cats with their families have brought relief and joy to both pets and owners. Through microchip scanning, social media outreach, and collaboration with local communities, we have successfully reunited lost cats with their owners.

We offered advice to current and prospective cat owners on topics such as responsible pet ownership, FIV, feline behaviour, and health.

By carefully matching cats with suitable adopters, we helped ensure the long-term well-being of the animals in our care. Each adoption is accompanied by support and education, promoting lasting, positive outcomes for both the cats and their new families.

Public benefit: By rescuing, rehabilitating, and rehoming stray, abandoned, and surrendered cats, we have prevented animal suffering and promoted the humane treatment of animals, specifically we:

Unneutered, stray, or feral cat populations can contribute to public health issues, including the spread of parasites and disease. By rescuing and ensuring all cats have been neutered before adoption or release, we have helped control these populations, reducing risks to both humans and other animals in the community.

Our guidance to the public on responsible pet ownership, cat care, and lost pet recovery contributes to long-term improvements in animal welfare and reduces the likelihood of cats being neglected or abandoned in the future.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The charity operates entirely through foster homes and volunteer support and therefore owns no land or property. Our principal overheads are the rental of two storage units together with the ongoing veterinary treatment and welfare costs associated with the cats in our care.

We are committed to maintaining financial stability and aim to retain reserves equivalent to six months of running costs. However, due to the unpredictable nature of veterinary and care-related expenses, sustaining this level of reserves can be challenging. To manage this, the trustees carry out monthly reviews of our financial position and initiate additional fundraising activities when necessary to meet operational demands.

For the period covering 1st January 2025 – 31st December 2025, our veterinary fees totalled **£37,890**, while other direct animal welfare costs—including food, litter, treatments, enrichment toys, and bedding—amounted to **£10,264**. Together, these essential welfare costs represent **73.2%** of our total expenditure, highlighting our ongoing commitment to prioritising the health and wellbeing of the animals in our care.

Our expenditure increased by 22% on the previous year, reflecting the greater demand for our service, whilst our income only increased by 5% Fortunately we still ended the year with a small surplus, due to our fundraising efforts which resulted in increased income from donations, sales of donated goods, raffles and events.

It is important to note that none of the trustees or volunteers have reclaimed personal expenses, reflecting our strong ethos of directing all available funds towards animal care and charitable activities.

STATEMENT BY THE CHAIR OF CAFO RESCUE

As Chair, I continue to be inspired by the kindness and commitment shown by our volunteers, foster carers and supporters. Every cat we rescue represents a life changed, and every successful adoption is the result of many people working together.

It has been another positive and productive year for Cafo Rescue, and I am proud to reflect on all we have achieved together.

Demand for our support remains high, but our trustees and volunteers continue to meet every challenge with compassion and determination. Their dedication ensures that every cat who comes into our care is given the safety, patience, and love they deserve.

From rescue and fostering to fundraising and administration, each contribution plays an essential role in our success. It is this shared commitment that strengthens our reputation within the community and allows us to continue making a meaningful difference.

Thank you to everyone who supports our work. Together, we are changing lives — one cat at a time.

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name	No (if any)

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01/01/2025	To	31/12/2025

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	11,841.21	-	-	**11,841**	**15,889**
Adoptions	13,450.31	-	-	**13,450**	**22,388**
Sales of donated goods	34,456.70	-	-	**34,457**	**41,769**
Fundraising - events/sales	9,478.07	-	-	**9,478**	**11,730**
Fundraising - Raffles	3,283.23	-	-	**3,283**	**3,395**
Other	43.38	-	-	**43**	**502**
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
***Sub total** (Gross income for AR)*	**72,553**	-	-	**72,553**	**95,673**
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	**72,553**	-	-	**72,553**	**95,673**
A3 Payments					
Accountancy Fees	**200**	-	-	**200**	**150**
Advertising	**432**	-	-	**432**	**36**
Bank/Card Fees	**32**			**32**	**60**
Care Costs	**10,264**			**10,264**	**19,267**
Equipment	**509**			**509**	
Fundraising Expenses	**3,439**			**3,439**	**3,987**
Insurance	**709**			**709**	**1,148**
Licence fees	**20**			**20**	
Postage	**26**			**26**	**648**
Printing	**527**			**527**	**378**
Rent - Lock up	**9,250**			**9,250**	**4,950**
Security Costs	**57**			**57**	**89**
Stationery	**385**			**385**	**976**
Storage equipment	**540**			**540**	**881**
Sundries	**481**			**481**	**68**
Telephone & Internet	**928**	-	-	**928**	-
Training	**37**	-	-	**37**	-
Utility costs	-	-	-	-	-
Uniform costs	-	-	-	-	**739**
Vets costs	**37,890**	-	-	**37,890**	**43,477**
Waste costs	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	**65,727**	-	-	**65,727**	**76,854**
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	**65,727**	-	-	**65,727**	**76,854**
Net of receipts/(payments)	**6,826**	-	-	**6,826**	**18,819**
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	**28,326**	-	-	**28,326**	**9,507**
Cash funds this year end	**35,152**	-	-	**35,152**	**28,326**

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

B1 Cash funds

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	20-51-08 50848700	34,659	-	27,874
	20-24-09 60461091	-		
	20-51-08 83958914	11		10
	Paypal	40		22
	Sum Up	-		
	Cash In Hand	441	-	420
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	35,152	-	28,326
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	Agreement Error

B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval

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	CAFO Rescue		
On accounts for the year ended	31st December 2025	**Charity no (if any)**	1204056
Set out on pages	CC16a 1-3		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/08/2019**.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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.

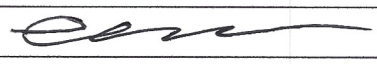
Independent examiner's statement

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

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

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

Signed:		**Date:**	7/5/2026
Name:	Jonathan Rouse ACCA		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	Association Chartered Certified Accountants		

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Section B Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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.