



Season's Greetings to our kind and generous friends and supporters

Thank you to all those who support us in different ways, no matter how big or small a donation, time given volunteering, fundraising, sharing social media posts, purchasing our donated goods, supporting car boot/stalls and other events, collecting food, helping with the animals directly through fostering, adoption, dog walking or cat cuddling; it all helps to give the animals a better life. Every contribution helps and we are extremely grateful for all your support and appreciate every kind gesture.

With the site needing to undergo a full refurbishment and build for animal facilities our doors for intake temporarily closed. Our last resident to rehome found his forever home as lockdown loomed. We are thrilled, as always, to see how your adopted animals are doing in their forever homes. If you have any pictures to share and would be happy for us to use on our social media, please email them to animalconcerncumbria@outlook.com

Sadly, our long-term resident Louie passed away at the grand age of 20yrs, having lived out his life with us here on site. It is nice to know his home continues to be another animal's home, with our feral cat taking up residence in it.



Here is a snippet of a few ways the Charity continues to operate during the Covid restrictions and start of the rebuild:

We have continued to support the community by having animals cared for with our fosterers during owners hospital stays, rehoming of unwanted cats and semi-feral cats and kittens. Along with supporting struggling Charities with animal food and bedding.



Pets at Home Charity of the Year

We were proud to have been nominated Charity of the Year at Pets at Home, Workington store for a second year running. Sadly, due to Covid we were unable to participate with instore events. Ryan, Jonathan, Emma and the team are always helpful and supportive and this year have gone the extra mile doing fundraising on our behalf. We would like to thank the team and look forward to our continued relationship.



Our thanks to everyone who has signed up nominating us as their chosen Charity with the Pets at Home VIP Scheme. Every time you get your VIP's essentials, treatments or treats, you raise Lifelines for our cause. This year we were delighted to receive £1049.10. This was put towards cat food and litter for our foster cats along with purchasing some new equipment for both dogs and cats when we re-open our kennels and cattery.



Rotary Club of Workington Derwent

The Rotary participated in serving communities through supporting foodbanks. We were approached to see if we could help with animal food for people who fell on hard times and would rather go without than not feed their animals. Thanks to the generosity of our supporters, we were able to donate food so that people and their companions did not go without.



Telephone Support

Support with guidance and advice continues to be available.



Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) Programme

The programme is run and sponsored by Cats Protection who work alongside Charities and individuals to humanely trap outdoor cats (usually feral). They get a vet check-up and are spayed or neutered before returning them to their outdoor homes. This is important to prevent any unwanted kittens or the spreading of diseases. Taming feral kittens for a domestic home is possible if they are caught at a young age (ideally 6-8 weeks) and socialised. However, some will never become tame however much love, effort and attention is given, in those cases outdoor homes are found.

A local lady doing a TNR, asked us help with 2 kittens who were young enough to be domestically rehomed following their vet check and neutering. A suitable adopter was identified and these cuties did not have to wait long going off to their forever home.



Special Mention of Thanks

Form Group 9BPE at Workington Academy kindly donated 80 items of dog and cat food. Following a visit from volunteers who took some puppies into school last year, the 28 children gave a similar donation. We are delighted to be chosen again this year.

MAG Cumbria bike run was unfortunately cancelled; however, donations were still kindly received in support of the Charity.

The Build



Covid initially put a hold on the commencement of the building project, along with delays due to manufacturing backlogs. We were delighted when restrictions lifted and demolition works got underway. Whilst it is a long journey, we are in discussions with Planning to ensure things go as smoothly as possible and our builders do what they can, weather and supplies permitting. We hope to display a site plan on our website soon.

Financial

Due to Covid restrictions, ACC were unable to hold an AGM this year and present the 2019 accounts. Summary of full accounts can be seen on the Charity Commission website.

Animal Concern Cumbria Statement of Financial Activities Year ended 31 December 2019

Statement of Financial Position Year ended 31 December 2019

	2019 Unrestricted funds £	2019 Total funds £	2018 Total funds £
Income and endowments			
Donations and legacies	71,222	71,222	327,082
Other trading activities	4,789	4,789	15,417
Investment income	5,647	5,647	5,264
Total income	81,658	81,658	347,763
Expenditure			
Expenditure on charitable activities	158,581	158,581	144,131
Other expenditure	11,379	11,379	—
Total expenditure	169,960	169,960	144,131
Net (expenditure)/income and net movement in funds	(88,302)	(88,302)	203,632
Reconciliation of funds			
Total funds brought forward	982,523	982,523	778,891
Total funds carried forward	894,221	894,221	982,523

	2019 £	2018 £
Fixed assets		
Tangible fixed assets	453,984	470,548
Current assets		
Debtors	5,247	20,385
Cash at bank and in hand	440,703	498,404
	445,950	518,789
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	5,713	6,814
Net current assets	440,237	511,975
Total assets less current liabilities	894,221	982,523
Net assets	894,221	982,523
Funds of the charity		
Unrestricted funds	894,221	982,523
Total charity funds	894,221	982,523

The above statements have been extracted from the full statutory accounts for the year ended 31 December 2019 prepared by Saint & Co, Chartered Accountants. A full copy is available upon request.

Thank you to all who give support and keep us going



Have a good time at Christmas & New Year with your animal,
but please be aware of some dangers around the festive season



Chocolate, mince pies, onions, garlic, sweet & spicy things can cause digestive problems, pain and sometimes be fatal to your furry companion.



Plants like Amaryllis, Poinsettias, Holly berries, Mistletoe and Yew are all irritants and potentially toxic to your animals if digested, the most common signs seen include drooling, mouth sores, vomiting and diarrhoea. Even drinking the water from the base of your Christmas tree can cause your animal health problems.

Christmas lights and electrical cables that teething puppies and cats like to play with or chew are at risk from burns to the mouth and other signs relating to electrocution that could have fatal consequences.



Animals can suffer heart arrhythmias, tremors, seizures and even fatalities, after consuming alcohol. Keep your half empty tins or glasses out of reach as some animals love the taste. Milk or cream-based drinks can be attractive to animals, please be mindful and keep out of reach.

Wishing you a wonderful, safe Christmas
and look forward to you being around with us in 2021

WAYS TO SUPPORT THE CHARITY



Peppa's Pot

A fund used exclusively to help animals get the treatments they need to be well; this could be one-off surgery or ongoing medication. Donations can be made via PayPal.



- ❄ Enter online at www.unitylottery.co.uk and be in with the chance of winning £25,000!
- ❄ Amazon Smile is the same Amazon products, prices and service. You choose us as your Charity and Amazon will donate a percentage of your spend to us.
- ❄ Shop with Easyfundraising.org.uk and raise donations for our Charity when shopping online.
- ❄ Join Pets at Home VIP Club and get 10% off online and in store too! Enjoy tailored offers, news and tips. Plus, every swipe of your VIP card helps animals in need when you choose us as your nominated Charity.
- ❄ Whether you wish to give a one-off donation or a regular one, PayPal friends and family option is a simple, quick and easy way to donate.

Volunteering

Donating

Fostering

Fundraising

Ambassadors

Become a Patron

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