



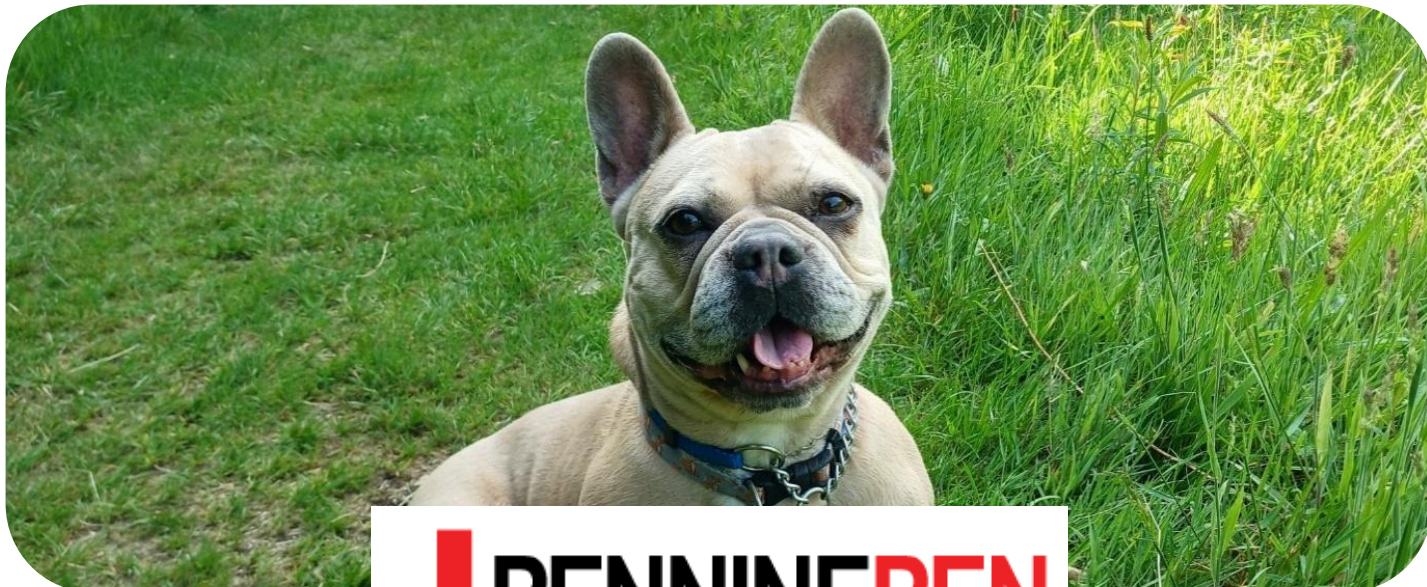
Kenny's story

In November 2016, a severely neglected and emaciated Pakistani Mastiff, known as a Bully Kutta, was found abandoned on the streets near our rescue. His name was **Kenny**, and he was in an appalling state: dangerously underweight, covered head to foot in Sarcoptic mange, and suffering from illegally cropped ears, a cruel and painful procedure banned in the UK.

At just 18 months old, Kenny had already experienced intense abuse and hardship. He was so close to death that his survival was uncertain. But Kenny made it to Pennine Pen Animal Rescue, where our team immediately began his treatment with care and dedication. Although he could not be rehomed due to his ongoing health issues, Kenny found his forever home with us.

Kenny lived the rest of his life at the rescue, where he became something truly special. With his gentle nature and striking appearance, Kenny captured the hearts of our staff, volunteers, and the local community alike. He became a much-loved ambassador for the rescue, often recognised on his daily walks and featured in both local and national media.

Despite ongoing allergies and conditions requiring regular veterinary care, Kenny enjoyed a happy and fulfilled life until he sadly passed away in April 2021. He is a permanent part of our story and a symbol of everything we believe in, compassion, commitment, and second chances.



Robyn's story

Robyn originally came to us from a pound and was rehomed but sadly had to come back to us as her owner was extremely poorly. She was with us for nearly a year before she found her forever home.

Robyn needed a special home, she was very mistrusting of new people so needed a quiet, adult only home with minimal visitors.

Robyn was also reactive to dogs on walks, but we mixed her with certain dogs at the rescue and decided she could live with another dog with successful introductions. Once Robyn knows and trusts you, she is a very loving, sweet girl.

Eventually a family came forward who were just right for her and she has now been adopted.

In the meantime we were able to be her home from home, which we could only do thanks to our supporters.



Woody's story

Woody was another male cat left unneutered fending for himself on the streets.

Because of this he has sadly tested positive for FIV which is something cats get when fighting/mating.

Before coming to us Woody must have been involved in an accident, his tail was broken high up so had to have it amputated and he sometimes has little accidents when he is asleep (small leaks of urine). Because of this he required a special home with an understanding owner.

Luckily he didn't have to wait long to find one however and Woody, now named Huggy, is doing extremely well in his new home and loving life.

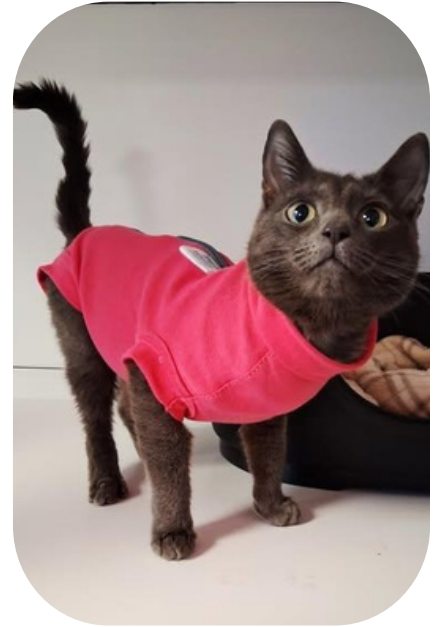
Without your support we would not be able to help cats like him.

Rose's story

We noticed a cat sitting outside the main entrance to our rescue. When we went out to investigate, it was immediately clear she was in urgent need of help.

She was extremely emaciated, clearly very weak and covered in faeces. Her neck and back marked with multiple wounds.

She was rushed straight to the vets for emergency assessment. Her overall body condition was extremely poor. She had been severely underfed and was dangerously underweight. She was given medication for tummy issues, and a full panel of blood tests has been taken to rule out any underlying conditions.



Her wounds were clipped and cleaned so the vets could properly assess them. The cause is unclear, but there is a heartbreaking possibility that something may have been spilled or deliberately poured onto her.

After the initial shock of finding her, we checked our CCTV to see how she entered the rescue.

What we saw was deeply upsetting. She did not wander in.

A couple pulled up in our car park across the main road. They let her out of the car and made her follow them across a busy road with continuous traffic. They then picked her up and pushed her through our main gate like a letter through a post-box before driving away.

She was discarded. Left weak, starving and injured.

Despite everything she has endured, she is the sweetest little soul. She craves love. She leans into every touch. She has shown nothing but trust towards us. It never stops amazing us how resilient and forgiving animals can be, even after such neglect.

Rose thankfully recovered enough to find a home and is now happy and settled with her new family.

Rio's story

For those of you not familiar with Rio's story and why he has been a resident with us for 5 years.

Rio was from a domestic violence home, he and the lady in the home would regularly be met with a lot of violence, he even had a knife to his throat at one point.

Because of all this trauma Rio was left with some behaviour issues meaning he was a very tricky dog to introduce to people he didn't know.

Over the years, Rio has been meeting more and more people and his circle of people he trusted and loved grew wider.

One of his new friends was a trustee of ours. Rio really grew an amazing bond with them and eventually was adopted.

We couldn't be happier that he is living in a home again, with a family that understands him and his quirks, even though he was happy living at the rescue it is never the same as being in a home.



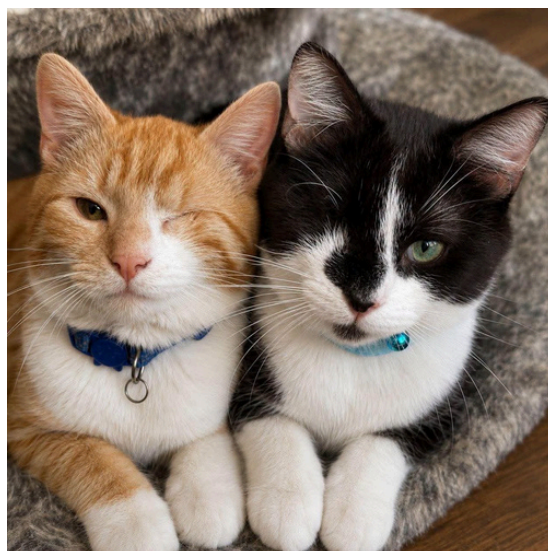
From abandoned to adopted

In March 2026, our team made a heartbreaking discovery outside our Brackley Square charity shop. A young mum cat, barely a year old herself, and her four ten-week-old kittens had been zipped inside a bag and abandoned.

Their condition was devastating.

Two of the kittens had suffered such severe, untreated eye infections that they were facing the loss of an eye. One little boy had a ruptured eye that had likely been left untreated for at least a week. His ginger brother's eye was dangerously swollen and required specialist assessment. Their two sisters were already showing the same condition and urgently needed treatment to try to save their sight.

Mum and her babies were immediately brought into the safety of Pennine Pen Animal Rescue, where they received emergency veterinary treatment, pain relief, warmth, food and the care they so desperately needed. Despite everything they had endured, this little family showed incredible resilience. After months of treatment, rehabilitation and lots of love, every one of them has gone on to find a safe, loving forever home.



Lou Lou the Chow Chow

When Lou Lou arrived with us, it was clear she hadn't had an easy life.

As soon as we met Lou Lou, our hearts broke. Her beautiful Chow Chow coat had become so severely matted that it was pulling tightly against her skin, causing constant pain with every movement. Underneath the thick layers of tangled fur, her skin was sore, inflamed and sticky to the touch, while her nails had grown so long that even walking had become uncomfortable.

Our first priority was getting Lou Lou the help she desperately needed. She was booked straight into the vets for a full health check and an emergency welfare groom. The matting was so severe that her coat had to be shaved right back to the skin to relieve the pain she had been living with. Thankfully, despite her neglected condition, the rest of her health check showed that she was otherwise a healthy girl.

What amazed us most isn't what Lou Lou has been through, but how she has responded to it.

Despite everything, she has remained gentle, patient and incredibly kind. She has taken every new experience in her stride, greeting everyone she meets with quiet trust and affection. As she has settled into rescue life, her cheeky personality has started to emerge, and it's impossible not to fall in love with her.

Lou Lou's story is one of resilience, recovery and second chances now she is in her forever home.

