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Sheffield Cat Shelter has raised over £1.5k to keep cats warm this spring

In part of their mission to keep the cats at their shelter despite mounting heating costs, The Sheffield Cats Shelter has raised over £1.5k to keep their cats warm.

The funding campaign finishes at the end of March with an end target of £5k.

Jordan Jonathan, Sheffield Cats Shelter Apprentice, said: "It's important because we couldn't physically turn the heat on enough. We need to keep all the cats warm, and the hot water needs to be paid for too as we need to clean the litter trays every day."

The shelter at Travis Place in Broomhall can get cold, meaning electric heaters have to be on constantly even when the sun is out.

According to the office for National Statistics around 4 in 10 adults are using less fuel in their homes because of cost of living increases.

Jonathan said: "The young cats can run around and keep themselves warm, but the older cats who have been lap cats struggle. We have cats here sometimes that are 15, 16 years old. The heating is important."

"When we saw the younger cat downstairs, Mr Cadbury, he was lying more towards the heater than the back of the room to keep warm."





The shelter's mission is to relieve and prevent suffering amongst cats, striving to rehome cats without a home, and constantly takes in cats at short notice.

They commonly vaccinate and neuter cats, Guthrie explaining 'a cat can start having a baby from about four months' and can produce six or seven kittens with each litter, adding up to a lot in a five-year lifespan.

Millie Guthrie, Sheffield Cats Shelter Corporate Fundraiser, said: "Old buildings like this are really hard to insulate because they're generally one brick thick and there's nowhere to put the insulation so we're hoping to find a new building."

"In a new building we would be able to help many more cats too, and it would be more cost efficient if we're in something more modern."

Run For All recently contacted the shelter to ask if they wanted to be one of the charities for an upcoming marathon, meaning people who sign up for the race can choose to raise money for them.

The event is the Sheffield 10k and is set to happen on September 28th at Arundel Gate.

Guthrie said: "We had a chap turn up the other day who'd been made homeless through no fault of his own and in his car he had four cats and one dog, and had been driving around."

"No other place was taking in the cats, so we did. I don't think we've ever turned away a cat."

