

Abbey Vets MONTHLY MIRACLES

Two cats now doing well after road traffic injuries

Each month Abbey Vets highlight a pet that's made a good recovery after going through a difficult time. Our JANUARY MONTHLY MIRACLE features two cats – Rollo and Peanut.

Rollo and Peanut were brought into Abbey Vets by members of the public after sustaining severe injuries in road traffic accidents. With neither cat being microchipped it was impossible for us to contact their owners but with the support of the RSPCA and Barnsley Cats Protection we were able to provide treatment.



ROLLO, who is approximately five-years-old, was the first to arrive. He had a fractured jaw, a dislocated hip joint and a fractured tooth. We pinned and wired his jaw, performed

a femoral head excision (removal of the hip joint) and extracted his fractured tooth.

After four days Rollo left our surgery and is now recuperating with Mr and Mrs Heggie, who foster cats and kittens on behalf of Barnsley Cats Protection.

Mr Heggie said: "Rollo is a very affectionate cat and is doing very well. The muscle which

is supporting his hip, in the absence of a hip joint, is building up nicely and he is now able to jump up onto my chair to sit next to me. All being well he will be looking for a permanent home in the New Year.

PEANUT, who is just a kitten at approximately five months old, arrived at our surgery a few days after Rollo. He had sustained a fractured pelvis and couldn't walk.

We gave him pain relief and cage rest because limited exercise will allow his pelvis to heal naturally. He is also doing very well and has now found a permanent home with Mrs Makings, the mother of one of our vet nurses.



■ These two cases highlight the importance of owners having their pets microchipped and keeping their chip details up-to-date so that if there is an emergency a vet can get in contact.