



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01/04/2024 Period start date

To 31/3/2025 Period end date

Charity name: Friends of Aspin School

Charity registration number: 1011106

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The object of the association (the objects) is to advance the education of pupils in the school in particular by: 2.1 Developing effective relationships between the staff, parents and others associated with the school 2.2 Engaging in activities or providing facilities or equipment which support the school and advance the education of the pupils.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	The main activities of the charity are running events for the school and wider Knaresborough community to attend for the purposes of fundraising to provide additional equipment and facilities to enhance the school provision for the children, and to bring the parent, staff and community closer together.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	We can confirm that the trustees have given regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit when planning and conducting the charity' activities.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	It is not within the objectives of the charity to provide grant funding to other charitable institutions.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	We are very grateful for the time provided by volunteers to help run the events we hold. The charity is run entirely by volunteers and we have a number of school staff and parents willing to donate time to run stalls at events and to come to meetings with fundraising ideas.

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
<p>Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.</p>	<p>Para 1.20</p>	<p>In the 2024/25 financial year the Charity had another successful year with similar result being achieved to those in 23/24. Our most successful event of the year was Colourfest24 which exceeded expectations with a net income of over £6000. The event again allowed the showcasing of local talent combined with the fun of the colour run, sponsored by local businesses. We were lucky to have 2 beds running in the Great Knaresborough bedrace again which allowed for fundraising through sponsorship and related school events. We collaborated with Knaresborough Cricket Club for the second time for the annual fireworks night which brought a greater community feel to the event and allowed risks to be shared. In order to bring the school community closer together we also ran smaller family focussed events such as the Teddy Bear's picnic, a Wonka themed cinema night and Chocolate bingo.</p> <p>We also held school focussed fundraising such as cake sales and sponsored reading events which have continued to be very popular in bringing much needed money in to provide additional resources to support the education of the children.</p> <p>We were lucky to receive the support of a £1000 grant from Knaresborough Lions to top up our fundraising for some much needed shade in the playgrounds. We have also started the process of claiming giftaid on donations received in recent years.</p> <p>Finally, passive fundraising sources such as YourSchoolLottery, Easyfundraising ASDA cashpot for schools provided over £2000 combined.</p>

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	During the year the Charity was able to make a nett income before charitable expenditure of over £18,500. This, combined with brought forward income from prior years allowed us to buy items directly for school, such as books and visits from authors and theatre companies, totalling over £2000 as well as provide donations towards the purchase of various educational items by the school of over £21,500 including ipads, more books, music equipment, improvements to the school play grounds including playground markings and the provision of further shaded areas.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The reserves policy requires that a minimum of £4000 is held to ensure large events can be conducted as expected according to the annual plan
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£4000 is held in reserve at the year end. The additional funds held in the bank are unrestricted and are expected to be spent in the following year for the purposes of advancing the education of children at Aspin Park Academy
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	The Charity has sufficient funds in reserve to continue as a going concern. It has no liabilities.

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	The Charity is governed by its Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	It is an unincorporated association
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustees are elected annually at an AGM to which all members are invited, in line with requirements set out in the constitution

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Friend of Aspin School
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1011106
Charity's principal address	Aspin Park Academy Wetherby Road Knaresborough HG5 8LQ

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Michelle Wallis	Chair (previously Vice Chair until 02/05/24)		
2	James Pickard	Vice Chair Large events (Chair until 02/05/24)		
3	Dawn Ankcorn	Treasurer		
4	Charlotte Thompson	Secretary	02/05/24 – 31/03/25	
5	Karen Gale	Chair Large events	02/05/24 – 31/03/25	
6	Laura Hammond	Vice Chair	02/05/24 – 31/03/25	
7	Steven Taylor	Secretary	01/04/24 to 02/05/24	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
N/A		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
N/A		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A

Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

	Signature(s)	<i>Dawn</i>	<i>Michele</i>
	Full name(s)	DAWN ANKLORN	MICHELLE WAWIS
	Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	TREASURER	CHAIR
	Date	08/01/2025	08/01/2026



Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01.04.2024	To	Period end date 31.03.2025
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Income from events/sponsors	25,035	-	-	25,035	25,830
Lottery	1,525	-	-	1,525	1,753
Easyfundraising	278	-	-	278	565
Other income	1,249	-	-	1,249	-
Giftaid claimed	325	-	-	325	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	28,412	-	-	28,412	28,148
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
N/A	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	28,412	-	-	28,412	28,148
A3 Payments					
Cost of events	9,377	-	-	9,377	7,003
Costs to run	303	-	-	303	621
Costs of future events	-	-	-	-	2,241
	-	-	-	-	-
Purchases for school	2,064	-	-	2,064	3,360
Grants to school	21,507	-	-	21,507	17,000
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	33,251	-	-	33,251	30,225
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	33,251	-	-	33,251	30,225
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 4,839	-	-	4,839	2,077
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	12,778	-	-	12,778	14,855
Cash funds this year end	7,939	-	-	7,939	12,778

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Barclays	7,602	-	-
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YBS	25	-	-
petty cash	312	-	-
Total cash funds	7,939	-	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

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Unrestricted funds to nearest £ **Restricted funds to nearest £** **Endowment funds to nearest £**

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)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

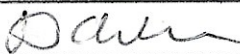

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

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
	DAWN ANKEORN	8/1/26
	MICHELLE WALLIS	8/1/26

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Friends of Aspin School

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Friends of Aspin School for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of Friends of Aspin School 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

Signed: Sarah Cox

Name: Sarah Cox (ACMA, CGMA)

Address: 10 Abbey Mill Gardens, Knaresborough, HG5 8ER

Date: 14/01/2026