



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Southam United Charities

On accounts for the year
ended

31 December 2021

Charity no
(if any)

1022879

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Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention;

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

SA Holmes

Date:

22 February 2022

Name:

Stephen Andrew Holmes

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

Fellow Member of the Association of Accounting Technicians (FMAAT)

Address:	5, Maple Avenue
	Thornbury
	Bristol BS35 2JW

Section B**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

Not Applicable

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date Period end date
 From Day Year To Day Year
 1st January 2021 31st December 2021

Reference and administration details

Charity name Southam United Charity

Other names charity is known by

In previous reports we have used the name Southam United Charities. It has been pointed out to us that the correct name is Southam United Charity, singular not several, and this change has now been carried out by our clerk.

Registered charity number (if any) 1022879

Charity's principal address C/O Wright Hassell LLP

Olympus House

Leamington Spa Warwickshire

Postcode

CV33 6BF

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 Mrs J Thorne	Trustee		St James Parochial Church Council
2 Mr B Meacham	Trustee		Southam Congregational Church
3 Mrs Angela Scull	Trustee		Our Lady and St Wulstan RC Church
4 Mr M Gaffney	Trustee Chairman		Co-opted Trustee
5 Mr L Gale	Trustee Treasurer		Co-opted Trustee
6 Mr T Hill	Trustee		Co-opted Trustee
7 Mrs A Cragg	Trustee		Co-opted Trustee
8 Mrs R Tresidder	Trustee		Co-opted Trustee
9 Mrs Lee Ellard	Trustee		Southam Town Council
10 Cllr Angela John	Trustee		Southam Town Council
11 Cllr G Foster	Trustee		Southam Town Council

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

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Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of advisor	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document	
How the charity is constituted	Trust
Trustee selection methods	Three trustees are nominated by Southam town Council, one by the deacons of Southam Congregational Church, one by the Roman Catholic Priest for the parish of Our Lady and St Wulstan's Southam, and one by the St James Parochial Church Council. The remaining five are co-opted by the trustees.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees.
- The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works.
- Relationship with any related parties.
- Trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

We have a sub committee that makes recommendations to the trustees about the numbers and amount of educational grants that can be made to people undertaking further and higher education, I.E. university or college, against set criteria.

In previous years we have endeavoured to seek out those in need by using "deprivation mapping" as issued by the Stratford District Council, and inviting applications for the granting of food vouchers, expendable at a local store, to those who apply and meet the criteria. We no longer use this method as it no longer covers all the social housing within the town. Since March 2020 we have advertised availability of Food Vouchers to those in need via a link on the Southam Town Council Web site and more recently on the Facebook page. Under Covid 19 assistance available we have placed an application form that can be downloaded, completed and forwarded on to the treasurer via the email address provided. The Treasurer is authorised to issue Food Vouchers to the value of £50 to all those that apply provided they meet the criteria and live within the Civic Parish of Southam, thus widening the scope of those that are eligible to receive help. The supply of vouchers is topped up from time to time in line with demand by agreement with the chairman and trustees.

We also react to claims made by Social Services, the local food bank and local schools provided the cases meet our criteria.



Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

Support to people in necessitous circumstances. Assistance by way of grants. Educational grants. Assistance with educational trips etc. Proper consideration is given to circumstances of the intended recipient based upon local knowledge of the trustees and other information received.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

Funds are invested through COIF in a balanced portfolio which seeks to maintain the values whilst providing a reasonable income for distribution.

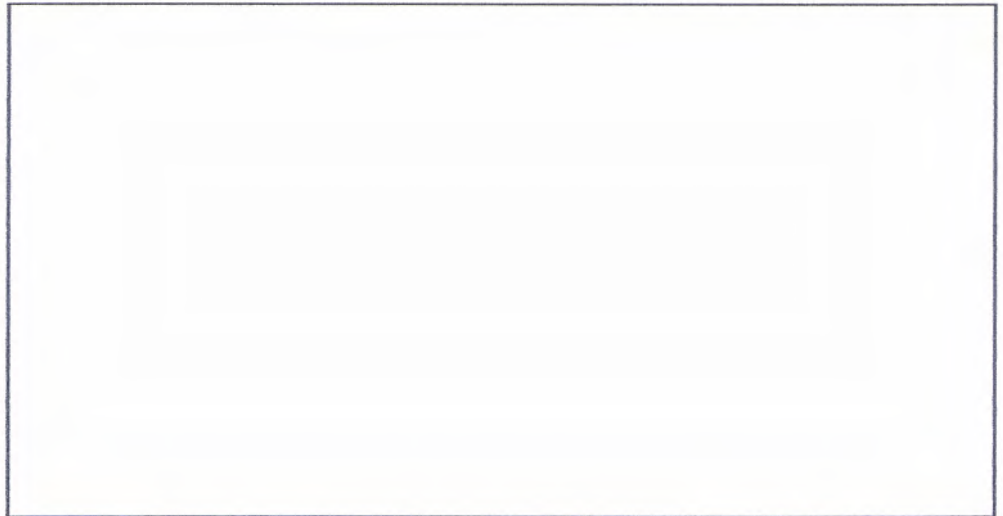
We also receive rents from land owned by the charities and these are managed by professional land agents. Our rental income has been severely reduced by the land take due to the HS2 development which passes through some of our agricultural land. We have received compensation which has been invested in CCLA Coif Charities Investment fund income units to rebalance our loss of income.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You may choose to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- Policy on grantmaking
- Policy programme related investment
- Contribution made by Volunteers

Trustees give of their time to deliver and collect grant application forms and carry out negotiations with local traders (Coop) for issuing food vouchers. Trustees not only give of their time, but only apply for reimbursement of expenses with receipts for costs actually incurred I.E. postage and stationery.



Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

We now have applications available for food vouchers on a continuous basis and approximately 70 have been issued during 2021 in response to the Covid 19 relief campaign at a cost of £4065 which includes expenses involved of £15.50. We are currently holding £1000 worth of vouchers ready to issue on demand. This has enabled the help we provide to be spread to some of the new housing developments that are not covered by Deprivation mapping systems.

We made Educational grants to the value of £13935 for student attending further education and university, including school uniforms for some deprived families. At the request of Social Services we made other grants of £4150 mostly for carpets and house hold goods for those recently moved into the social housing but also including a one off grant to allow a junior football club to start providing opportunities for youngsters to play football in a disciplined club atmosphere We have supported the local food bank with food vouchers and money where necessary.

We held two actual meetings this year because of Covid restrictions for which we paid a rent of £250 All other meetings are held on line via social media. We paid a fee of £1020 to Wright Hassall as a contribution towards the cost of them providing clerical services.

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

We have investments that provide cash income and growth to maintain the value of the investments for future use, should this be necessary, and income can be used for the benefit of the people of the Parish of Southam. The interest that we receive from deposited funds had diminished to an unsustainable level. We have therefore converted one of our funds held with CCLA (Coif) from accumulation units to income units and the resultant dividends have allowed us to increase the level of grants for education and to continue the Food Voucher Scheme and other grants.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant about:

- The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising).
- How expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity.
- Investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

(Empty box for optional information)


Other optional information

(Empty box for other optional information)

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	LEONARD GALR	
Position (eg secretary, chair, etc)	TREASURER	
Date	10-3-2022	



Southam Housing Charity

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	January 1st 2021		Dec 31st 2021

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Land Rents	2,898	-	-	2,898	-
Coif deposit interest	6	-	-	6	-
Lloyds Int	2	-	-	2	-
CCLA Dividends	15,327	-	-	15,327	-
other income Billors land back rent	11,100	-	-	11,100	-
Retrurnd Grant	600	-	-	600	-
Part unspent grant	4	-	-	4	-
Wayleaves	258	-	-	258	-
Sub total	30,195	-	-	30,195	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, etc.					
Total receipts	30,195.08	-	-	30,195	-
A3 Payments					
Insurance	527	-	-	527	-
Food Voucher Scheme	4,065	-	-	4,065	-
Educational Grants	13,935	-	-	13,935	-
Other Grants	4,150	-	-	4,150	-
-Rents paid	250	-	-	250	-
professional fees	100	-	-	100	-
Clerical services	1,020	-	-	1,020	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	24,047	-	-	24,047	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, etc.					
Total payments	24,047	-	-	24,047	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	6,149			6,149	
A5 Transfers between funds					
A6 Cash funds last year end					
Cash funds this year end	6,149			6,149	

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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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	-	-	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))		OK	OK	OK

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-


Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval

Southam United Charities		Receipts and payments	
Jan 1st 2020			
Deposit balance B/Fwd	9025.50		
Current balance B/Fwd	567.08		
Coif investments		Coif Investments	
Investment fund inc/ units	78,000	Investment fund inc/units	78,000
Invest fund acc Shares	150,000	Invest fund acc Shares	150,000
Property fund	93,000	Property fund	93,000
Deposit fund ****	50,000	Deposit fund	50,000
Coif sub total	(371,000)		(371000)
Income		Expenditure	
		Expenses ***	
		Insurance	511.37
Coif Dividends	13259.16	Accountants fee	100.00
Rents	6248.45	Educational grants + / Children's Clothes	17525.85
Coif Deposit fund	128.73	Other Grants	1438.32
Lloyds interest received	8.88	Food Vouchers **	4999.55
HS2 Compensation	122332.89	Food Bank Rent	205.59
Other income(way leaves)	261.27	Rents Paid	21.00
Repaid grants	200.00		
		CCLA investments	110000.00
		As at DEC 31 st 2020  2021	
		Deposit acct bal C/fwd	15524.53
		Current acct balance C/fwd	1705.75
Totals	523031.96		523031.96

** We currently hold £600 worth of food vouchers for use in emergencies.

*** All expenses this year were incurred for Food Voucher schemes and included in total.