Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	1st	January	2025		31st	December	2025

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Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	Southam United Charity
Other names charity is known by	Southam United Charities
Registered charity number (if any)	1022879
Charity's principal address	C/O Wright Hassall 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	Mr A Hughes	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
10	Cllr Lee Ellard	Trustee		Southam Town Council
11	Cllr Mrs A John	Trustee		Southam Town Council
12	Cllr G Foster	Trustee		Southam Town Council
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Trust
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Three trustees are nominated by Southam Town Council, one by the deacons of Southam Congregational church, one by Our Lady and St Wulstan's Roman Catholic Church 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 an Educational Grant sub-group that makes recommendations to the trustees about the number and amount of educational grants that can be made to people undertaking further and higher education, I.E. university college, against criteria.
We have food vouchers available for those in need due to the high levels of inflation that has adversely impacted their income. The availability of them is advertised on the Southam Town Council Web site and their Facebook page. There are also posters displayed on public notice boards. Application forms are available online and can be completed and forwarded to the e mail address provided. Hard copies are also from the Southam Library and can be left with them to forward on to us. The treasurer is authorised to issue vouchers to the value of £50 to those that qualify and who live within the Civil Parish of Southam. The supply of vouches is topped up from time to time according to demand. Demand has been varied over the last 12 months but is still substantial which justifies our continuing with the scheme for the time being.
We also react to claims made by Social Services, the local food bank and local schools provided the cases meet our criteria.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document	Support for people in necessitous circumstances. Assistance by way of grants. Assistance with Educational trips etc. Proper consideration is given to the circumstances of the intended recipient based upon local knowledge of the trustees and other information received.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Funds are invested through CCLA COIF in a balanced portfolio which seeks to maintain the values whilst providing reasonable income for distribution. Because of increased demand we have changed some of our investments from Accumulation units to income units thus increasing income to meet increasing demand.

We also receive income in form of rents from land owned by the Charity and these are managed by professional land agents. Our rental income has been severely reduced by the land taken by the HS2 project which passes through some of our agricultural land. We have received compensation, and this has been invested in CCLA Coif Charities official 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 grant making;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Trustees give of their time to deal with grants and deliver vouchers.. They also 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. Other nontangible expense is accepted by individual trustees as their contribution towards the work of the Charity.

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

We have issued £12500 in £50 vouchers to 250 individual applications during 2025 which is similar to the previous year and still indicates a prominent level of distress in the community. Expenses were £80.37 of which £36 was incurred in expense for attending a CCLA seminar. We currently hold approximately £1,000 in vouchers ready to issue on demand.

We made Educational grants of £14250 and . We also made a grant of £500 for a student to go to Tanzania for third world experience. We made £453 in grants for carpets for those recently moved into social housing.

We held four meetings this year for which we paid £250 to the local congregational church. We paid £1,000 to our clerk, who was provided by Wright Hassall for clerical services, directly to her.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	We have investments held in CCLA Coif funds that provide cash income and growth to maintain the value of the investments for future use should this be necessary, and the income is used for the benefit of the people of the parish of Southam. We also have income from rents for land owned by the charity which combined with investment income allows us to meet the demand of our local community.
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.

Section F Other optional information

Section G 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	GALE
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	TREASURER	
Date	31ST DECEMBER 2025	

TAR 5 March **2012**

Charity Name	No (if any)
Southam United Charity	

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	Jan 1st 2025		Dec 31st 2025

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	4,557		-	4,557	-
Lloyds Interest	312	-	-	312	-
CCLA Dividends	35,490	-	-	35,490	-
Way leaves	277	-	-	277	-
HS2 Compensation	138,341	-	-	138,341	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	178,977	-	-	178,977	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	178,977.00	-	-	178,977	-
A3 Payments					
Iinsurance	650	-	-	650	-
Food Vouchers	10,800	-	-	10,800	-
Educational Grants	14,250	-	-	14,250	-
Other Grants	953	-	-	953	-
Rents Paid	250	-	-	250	-
Professional Fees	150	-	-	150	-
Clearical services	1,000	-	-	1,000	-
Expences	98	-	-	98	-
Purchase of CCLA Shares	130,000	-	-	130,000	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	158,151	-	-	158,151	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, etc.	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	158,151	-	-	158,151	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	20,826	-	-	20,826	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	20,826	-	-	20,826	-

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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))	Agreement Error	OK	OK

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

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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 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

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 2025	**Charity no (if any)**	1022879
Set out on pages	1 of 1 (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)		

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:	S A Holmes	**Date:**	29 March 2026
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