CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01/04/2025 to 31/03/2026

Charity name: South London Christmas Dinner

Charity registration number: 1195322

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 CIO is: for the public benefit to promote social inclusion among young people aged between 18 and 25 who are socially excluded from society as a result of their status within or experience of the public care system in particular but not exclusively by the provision events, activities and experiences during the Christmas period. For the purposes of this clause 'socially excluded' means being excluded from society, or parts of society, as a result of an individual's status within or experience of the public care system and the resulting factors: unemployment; financial hardship; youth, ill health (physical or mental); substance abuse or dependency including alcohol and drugs; discrimination on the grounds of sex, race, disability, ethnic origin, religion, belief, creed, sexual orientation or gender re-assignment; poor educational or skills attainment; relationship and family breakdown; poor housing (that is housing that does not meet basic habitable standards); crime (either as a victim of crime or as an offender rehabilitating into society).
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	South London Christmas Dinner is organised by a team of volunteers who work together to provide a special and fun-filled Christmas day, along with a most scrumptious dinner for young care leavers, aged between 18 and 25. As well as a Christmas dinner, guests are gifted presents and treats.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees have paid due regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	South London Christmas Dinner is only possible due to the hard work and huge contribution of the volunteers who give their time to make the Christmas Dinner a success.

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
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.	Para 1.20	In 2025 SLXD again ran two dinners, one in South London and one in Ealing. Each Dinner ran with its own separate organising team and volunteers. We were able to provide 22 adults and 5 children with Christmas Dinners in South London 24 adults and 5 children in Ealing. SLXD and Ealing also gifted presents, food hampers, handmade quilts, hand knitted items and gift vouchers to all our guests, and a further 3 people who couldn't attend on the day (3 South London). South London Organising Team had 7 members. We were supported by 29 further volunteers on Christmas Eve and on our wrapping day. Our Christmas Day hosts numbered 22, 4 of who were also on the Organising Team. Ealing Organising Team had 4 members, with a further 11 volunteers to support on Christmas Day, and around 50 volunteers helping with wrapping and setting the venue up. We had a lot of other volunteer support with fundraising, making Christmas decorations and decorating the venue. A special thanks to Greenwich 40th Cub Scouts again who made delightful decorations to ensure we had a jolly space to enjoy on Christmas Day and to the crafters who stitched and filled the handmade Christmas stockings for each guest at our South London Dinner. We also extend our thanks to Q4CL for the beautiful handcrafted quilts gifted to our guests and to the lovely knitters of Leeds who knitted hats, scarves and gloves for our guests. Our guests enjoyed choosing from the lovely selections and were immensely touched by the hard work gone into handcrafting such lovely gifts for them to enjoy.

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	During the year we raised an amazing £11,492 (2025: £12,159). SLXD raised £9,149 (2025: £9,220) as unrestricted income for our South London Dinner, including £3,500 from The London Mark Benevolent Fund. Ealing raised £2,343 (2025: £2,939) recorded as restricted income, as it was raised specifically for the Ealing Dinner, including a grant of £1,200 from Gold from the Stone Foundation. Across both dinners we spent in total £13,145 (2025: £10,934) on gifts, food hampers, Christmas dinner and minimal running costs. Of this total, unrestricted expenditure for South London was £9,288 (2025: £8,000) and for Ealing Dinner, recorded as restricted, the expenditure was £3,857 (2025: £2,934). A lovely volunteer also made scrummy brownies for our pudding. Taxis are a large outlay for South London (£2,758) as we invite guests from the 7 Boroughs that make up our catchment, we are grateful to the London Mark Benevolent Fund for their grant that enables us to cover this cost. Our South London and Ealing venues are generously given to us for no cost, saving both dinners around £1,600 each. We are extremely grateful to Waitrose for their food hampers which are full of cupboard staples and treats for our guests to take home with them. Ealing dinner benefits from storage gifted worth £2,640 per year and this year was given flyers and design worth £500. We finished the year with a small deficit of £1,653 (2025: surplus £1,225) broken down as deficit of £139 (2025: surplus of £1,220) for unrestricted income funds and deficit of £1,514 (2025: surplus of £5) for restricted income funds. This brings our total reserve to £6,782 (2025: £8,435) split between unrestricted income funds for South London of £5,020 (2025: £5,159) and Ealing as restricted income funds of £1,762 (2025: £3,276).
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	SLXD holds reserves simply to ensure there are enough funds to host a Dinner in the following year. Donations tend to be received close to Christmas, so having reserves is necessary to cover the cost of running the Dinner ahead of receiving donations. There are no paid staff or ongoing lease commitments so there is no need to hold funds in reserve to cover these costs.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Unrestricted funds of £5,020 (2025: £5,159) Restricted funds of £1,762 (2025: £3,276)
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	The Trustees are confident the CIO has enough funds to ensure continuity as a going concern.

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Funds are raised from public donations and fundraising activities. We do seek grant funding where we can.

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO - FOUNDATION
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	A minimum of 3 Trustees are required by our constitution. Trustees are invited from existing volunteers who have completed the volunteer recruitment process and who have volunteered as part of the Organising Team for at least 1 dinner.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	South London Christmas Dinner
Other name the charity uses	SLXD
Registered charity number	1195322
Charity's principal address	48 Lawn Terrace London SE3 9LP

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	Paminder Phull	Trustee	Appointed 13th September 2021	
2	Kathleen Moss	Treasurer	Appointed 5th July 2021	
3	June Diegan	Trustee	Appointed 26th October 2022	
4	Vibeke Fussing	Trustee	Appointed 26th October 2022	
5	Fiona Ross	Trustee	Appointed 14th October 2025	

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	*KRMoss*	
Full name(s)	Kathleen Moss	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	
Date	11th May 2026	

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/04/2025	To	Period end date 31/03/2026

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts				
Fundraising event	-	-	-	129
Donations	2,593	-	2,593	2,003
Online donations	1,520	525	2,045	3,810
Gift Aid	346	593	939	396
The London Mark Benevolent Fund	3,500	-	3,500	3,500
St Benedict Ealing	-	-	-	-
EasyFundraising	143	-	143	44
Gold from the Stone	-	1,200	1,200	1,250
Holyspirit Church Clapham	1,023	-	1,023	987
Interest	24	25	49	40
			-	-
			-	-
Sub total *(Gross income for AR)*	9,149	2,343	11,492	12,159
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).				
	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	9,149	2,343	11,492	12,159
A3 Payments				
Insurance	176	176	352	298
Phone	20	-	20	-
Zoom	156	-	156	156
Gifts	4,426	2,457	6,883	4,766
Food	862	726	1,588	1,349
Activities	281	123	404	218
Taxis	2,758	355	3,113	3,236
Training - venue hire & lunch	130	-	130	-
Volunteer expenses	-	-	-	125
DBS checks	300	-	300	400
Peoplesfundraising fee	44	15	59	111
Fundraising	-	-	-	205
Facebook	-	-	-	-
Bank charges	5	5	10	10
Other (postage/badges etc)	130	-	130	60
Sub total	9,288	3,857	13,145	10,934
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)				
	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total payments	9,288	3,857	13,145	10,934
Net of receipts/(payments)	-139	-1,514	-1,653	1,225
A5 Transfers between funds			-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	5,159	3,276	8,435	7,210
Cash funds this year end	5,020	1,762	6,782	8,435

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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 £	Total funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Triodos	4,764	1,762	6,526
	Refund for taxis received Apr 2026	256	-	256
				-
			-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	5,020	1,762	6,782
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	-

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

Signed by one trustee on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
KR Moss	Kathleen Moss	11th May 2026