CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

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

Charity name: Smethwick Photographic Society

Charity registration number: 702550

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	*The advancement of the arts and science of photography*
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 Society is formed to afford facilities for the general advancement of the art and science of photography, to establish photographic records and communicate new and interesting matters regarding photography.*
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	*In planning activities for the year, the Society kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit at trustee meetings.*

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	*The Society is not a grant making body.*
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	*During the year approx. 1180 hours were contributed by the volunteers to the running of the Society as follows: - Lecturers, judges, and advisors 230 hours General maintenance, upgrading of facilities & equipment in the building.900 hours*

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	*During the year live attendance at meetings showed a welcome increase with fewer members relying on the remote streaming system. The stream continued to be used by our more remote members and visitors to the lecture program.* *The full program of National, International Exhibitions was run with entries remaining stable there was a very good response from visitors to all of the exhibitions.* *The weekly technique group was upgraded to a Photography School Status which attracted good responses from both members and non-members. This group offered both technical advice and photographic opportunities both in the club's studio and on organized outings.*

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	*The Society holds £22,501 in current accounts and on deposit with the bank. The funds are sufficient to cover its normal activities and to maintain and improve (both foreseen and unforeseen expenditure) the 100-year-old plus, former primary school building in which the Society meets.*
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	*£22,501*
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	*n/a*
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	*none*
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	*none*

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	*An association consisting of approximately 100 members*
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	*Constitution*
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 from senior members of the management committee, appointed by its members, to manage the running of the Society*

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	*Smethwick Photographic Society*
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	702550
Charity's principal address	*The Old School House,* *Churchbridge,* *Oldbury,* *West Midlands,* *B69 2AS*

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	*Roger Francis Parry*	*Secretary*		
2	*Judith Margaret Parry*			
3	*David Arthur Lowe*			
4	*David Michael Yates*			
5	*Michael Sharples*			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	*The Society does not hold funds as custodian trustees on behalf of others.*
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	n/a
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	n/a

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

Roger Francis Parry

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Other optional information

The Society purchased a defibrillator which is available at all events and meetings.

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	*R. F Parry*	
Full name(s)	*Roger Francis Parry*	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	*Secretary*	
Date	*10/10/2026*	

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Smethwick Photographic Society	702550

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	1st January 2025	To	31st December 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					
Membership Subscriptions	9,534	-	-	9,534	10,208
Studio/Room Hire	6,377	-	-	6,377	5,655
Exhibitions	9,814	-	-	9,814	10,457
Fund Raising - Raffles	-	-	-	-	45
Fund Raising - Shop	799	-	-	799	821
Fund Raising - Bar Catering	1,437	-	-	1,437	2,273
Fund Raising - Bring & Buy	133	-	-	133	-
Sundry Income	371	-	-	371	94
Bank Interest	194	-	-	194	232
Grants		-	-	-	2,000
Donations	30	-	-	30	-
FIAP World Cup		-	-	-	-
***Sub total** (Gross income for AR)*	28,689	-	-	28,689	31,785
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Unauthorised Payments recovered	-	-	-	-	1,290
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	1,290
Total receipts	28,689	-	-	28,689	33,075
A3 Payments					
Lecturers/Speakers/Judges	2,366	-	-	2,366	1,360
Exhibitions	10,218	-	-	10,218	10,442
FIAP Word Cup	-	-	-	-	-
Fund Raising - Raffles	-	-	-	-	-
Fund Raising - Shop	1,599	-	-	1,599	337
Fund Raising - Bar Catering	1,032	-	-	1,032	1,352
Building Maintenance	2,613	-	-	2,613	2,376
Insurance	2,671			2,671	2,519
Utilities	6,352	-	-	6,352	6,358
Cleaning	2,177	-	-	2,177	1,979
Administration	3,428	-	-	3,428	2,708
Sundry	332	-	-	332	547
Professional Expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Lottery Grant Expenditure	-	-	-	-	10,351
	-	-	-	-	-
	32,788	-	-	32,788	40,329
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	2,878	-	-	2,878	-
	1,857	-	-	1,857	-
Sub total	4,735	-	-	4,735	-
Total payments	37,523	-	-	37,523	40,329
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 8,834	-	-	- 8,834	- 7,254
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	31,335	-	-	31,335	38,588
Cash funds this year end	22,501	-	-	22,501	31,334

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

B1 Cash funds

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	Community Account	3,302	-	-
	Deposit Account	14,927	-	-
	Exhibitions Account	145	-	-
	Catering/Bar Account	659	-	-
	Exhibition Paypal Account	3,207	-	-
	Paypal Webshop	261	-	-
	Total cash funds	22,501	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	

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)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
The Old Schoolhouse - Freehold Property	Restricted	-	-
Projectors/Screens	Unrestricted	-	-
Darkroom Equipment	Unrestricted	-	-
Studio Lighting	Unrestricted	-	-
Catering Equipment	Unrestricted	-	-
Lecture Theatre Seating	Unrestricted	-	-
Tables & Chairs	Unrestricted	-	-
Exhibition Display Equipment	Unrestricted	-	-
IT Equipment & Software	Unrestricted		
Air Conditioning	Unrestricted	-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	R. F Parry	Roger Francis Parry	10/10/2026
			11/10/2026

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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	Charity Name Smethwick Photographic Society		
On accounts for the year ended	31st December 2025	**Charity no (if any)**	702550
Set out on pages	1 and 2 (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2025

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which 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:	Ian Bailey	**Date:**	12/12/2026
Name:	Ian Richard Bailey		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	Association of Chartered Certified Accountants		
Address:	Bramley House, London Road Shipston-on-Stour, Warwickshire CV36 4EP		

Section B	Disclosure
	Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).
Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.	