

# GUN CONTROL NETWORK

England & Wales · Charity number 1080791

## Details

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Other names	INFER TRUST
Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2000-05-19
Register	<a href="#">View on the Charity Commission register</a>

## Contact

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Address	11 Cloves Hill Morley Ilkeston DE7 6DH
Phone	07719 696279
Email	<a href="mailto:guncontrolnetwork@gmail.com">guncontrolnetwork@gmail.com</a>
Website	<a href="http://www.gun-control-network.org">www.gun-control-network.org</a>

## Activities

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**Objects:** 1) THE PROTECTION AND PRESERVATION OF HUMAN LIFE IN PARTICULAR BY: • THE COLLECTION, ANALYSIS AND PUBLICATION OF DATA RELATING TO FIREARM MISUSE; • RAISING AWARENESS OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY ISSUES RELATING TO FIREARM MISUSE INCLUDING THE HARMFUL IMPACT ON COMMUNITIES, WILDLIFE, ANIMAL AND BIRD CRUELTY, THE ENVIRONMENT, SPECIES DIVERSITY AND HABITATS; • RESPONDING TO REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION ABOUT GUN INCIDENTS FROM JOURNALISTS, TEACHERS, STUDENTS AND RESEARCHERS; • SUPPORTING THE FAMILIES AND VICTIMS OF GUN VIOLENCE BY OFFERING NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES. 2) ANY OTHER RELATED CHARITABLE ACTIVITY SUCH AS WORKING WITH POLICE AND GOVERNMENTS, LOCAL AUTHORITIES., MPS AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS TO PROMOTE THE ROBUST CONTROL OF FIREARMS AND THE SAVING OF LIVES IN THE UK.

**Activities:** We collect, analyse and publicise data about firearms misuse in the UK. We support those affected by gun violence, We liaise with police, MPs, government agencies, journalists and the general public to highlight deficiencies and loopholes in current firearms legislation. We campaign for gun licensing reform and tighter control on lethal and lookalike weapons in the interests of public safety.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research
- **What:** The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- Throughout England And Wales

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£26,790	£25,034	-	-
2023-12-31	£20,066	£24,642	-	-
2022-12-31	£0	£0	-	-
2021-12-31	£0	£0	-	-
2020-12-31	£0	£0	-	-

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
Dr Michael James North		
John Barnes		2024-03-23
Peter Alan Squires		2024-03-23
gillian Marshall-Andrews		

**GUN CONTROL NETWORK**

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# Accounts

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## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01.01.2024 To 31.12.2024

Charity name: Gun Control Network

Charity registration number: 1080791

### Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<b>The Advancement of Health or Saving of Lives</b>
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	We collect, analyse and publicise data about firearms misuse in the UK. We support those affected by gun violence. We liaise with police, MPs, government agencies, journalists and the general public to highlight deficiencies and loopholes in current firearms legislation. We campaign for gun licensing reform and tighter control on lethal and lookalike weapons in the interests of public safety.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	We confirm that the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	We highly value the contribution made by volunteers, the Gun Control Network was first established in 1996 as a small voluntary organisation with 5 members / volunteers. GCN currently has 6 volunteers supporting us.
Other		<u>Historical context and developments</u> The Gun Control Network was established in 1996 following the terrible shootings of 16 children and their teacher in Dunblane. It was then, and remains to this day, the only national gun control campaign group in the UK. Since that time it has successfully campaigned for a complete ban on the civilian ownership and use of handguns in 1997, a ban on lookalike imitation guns in 2006, airgun licensing in Scotland in 2016, tougher licensing processes on shotguns 2020 to date, and full cost recovery licence fees in 2025. First established in 1996 as a small voluntary organisation with 5 members / volunteers. In 2020 GCN became a charity after the Charity Commission rules about campaigning activities changed.

## 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><u>Activities</u></p> <p>The organisation has remained a small, informal, close knit group, some of whom have been affected by gun tragedies: all are completely committed to the goal of tighter control of guns. GCN manages and populates a website which produces the most comprehensive data on gun incidents in the country. It lobbies Ministers, journalists, MPs, civil servants, police and like minded groups on all matters related to gun control. It responds to media requests and to public approaches.</p> <p>In 2024 we have continued to capture and log details of all reports relating to gun incidents which come to our attention from media sources published in England Scotland and Wales. We extract data from these, identify trends and publish monthly reviews for Members of Parliament, the media, Police and Crime Commissioners, Councillors and others interested in our work. We have continued to raise awareness of public health and safety issues relating to gun misuse and have provided support, advice and networking opportunities to victims of gun misuse and their families.</p> <p>We have responded to requests from journalists, politicians, academics, students, documentary film makers, charities and those affected by gun misuse. We have provided data, comments, statements, interviews advice and information.</p> <p>We have provided support and advice to those affected by animal cruelty involving guns. We continue to redirect intelligence received from members of the public relating to the behaviour, physical and mental health of gun owners, inappropriate relationships between gun owners and police firearms licensing staff, poor governance of gun clubs, inadequate safety planning at shooting events and guns being offered for sale and other public safety concerns.</p> <p>We have engaged with the Home Office, MPs, The College of Policing, His Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire and Rescue Services, META, Police and Crime Commissioners, charities, groups and organisations working to support those who have been impacted upon by domestic violence and those affected by shooting related animal cruelty. We have liaised nationally and internationally with others working on gun controls.</p> <p>Our activities over the year have involved the expansion and development of our website. We have welcomed new volunteers, and we continue to work in the interests of public safety, to prevent gun violence and save lives.</p>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p><u>Website and funding</u></p> <p>For many years the website, and all administration, was managed on a voluntary basis and the organisation had little need for funds. Occasional sums were offered and accepted on an ad hoc basis for such things as travel expenses for meetings, stationery, communications etc.</p> <p>In 2002 a grant from was received from Northern Rock to cover the administration and support for the website. Occasional small grants were made until, in 2011, the Priory Foundation began its long lasting support of GCN which continues to this day.</p> <p>Another long lasting supporter was Sir Peter Lampl of the Sutton Trust who provided occasional funds for specific items such as a new website.</p> <p>The website is the main public facing element of GCN. It is used extensively by journalists and MPs.</p> <p>2024 was an exceptional year for GCN. We embedded our new website, we communicated with Ministers of the new government, we welcomed two new trustees. One of our long held campaigning objectives was introduced – namely the introduction of a proper firearms licence fee that was not taxpayer subsidised. Changing legislation takes time but we have shown over the last 29 years that a small organisation with limited funds and complete commitment to the cause, can bring about changes that have a lasting impact of public safety. The UK has some of the tightest gun controls in the world which is aligned with some of the lowest levels of gun crime. But shotgun licensing is still too weak and we are urging the government to remedy this. There is still work to be done.</p>
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### Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<p>Income in the year: £26,790 (2023: £20,066), all unrestricted.</p> <p>Expenditure in the year: £25,035 (2023: £24,642) made from unrestricted income funds.</p> <p>There was a small surplus at the end of the year of £1,755 (2023: deficit £4,576), this increased the charity's unrestricted general funds to £6,541 (2023: £4,786).</p>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<p>To advance the activities of the charity in the forthcoming year.</p>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<p>£6,541 Unrestricted income funds</p>
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	<p>N/A</p>
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	<p>N/A</p>
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	<p>N/A</p>

## 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
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	Apart from the first charity trustees, every trustee must be appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees.

## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Gun Control Network
Other name the charity uses	GCN
Registered charity number	1080791
Charity's principal address	11 Cloves Hill Morley Derbyshire DE76DH

## 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	Gill Marshall Andrews	Chair of Trustees		
2	Michael James North			
3	Peter Squires		Appointed March 2024	
4	John Barnes		Appointed March 2024	
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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>Gill Marshall Andrews</i>	
Full name(s)	Gill Marshall Andrews	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair of Trustees	
Date	25 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	

# Kathleen Moss Limited

Company registered in England and Wales  
no: 10785401



## Independent examiner's report on the accounts

I report to the trustees of **The Gun Control Network, registered charity number 1080791** on my examination of the accounts for the year ended **31<sup>st</sup> December 2024**.

### Responsibilities and basis of report

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

*K R Moss*

25<sup>th</sup> October 2025

Kathleen Moss ACMA, CGMA

Chartered Management Accountant



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Gun Control Network

No (if any)  
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## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 1.1.24	To	31.12.24
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### 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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Trust Donation	17,500	-	-	17,500	15,000
Individual Donations	8,000	-	-	8,000	5,000
Credit	40	-	-	40	-
HMRC Charities	1,250	-	-	1,250	-
Book royalties	-	-	-	-	66
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>26,790</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>26,790</b>	<b>20,066</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>26,790</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>26,790</b>	<b>20,066</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
Freelance Co-ordinator	12,475	-	-	12,475	11,981
Freelance Data	9,008	-	-	9,008	10,501
website/IT	3,262	-	-	3,262	2,160
meeting	190	-	-	190	-
travel	100	-	-	100	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>25,035</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>25,035</b>	<b>24,642</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>25,035</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>25,035</b>	<b>24,642</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>1,755</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,755</b>	<b>-4,576</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>4,786</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,786</b>	<b>9,362</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>6,541</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,541</b>	<b>4,786</b>

## 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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Current Account	6,541	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>6,541</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	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	
	<i>Gill Marshall Andrews</i>	Gill Marshall Andrews	25th Oct 2025	

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England & Wales - Charity number 1080791

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# Accounts

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## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01.01.2023

Period start date To

31.12.2023

Period end date

Charity name: Gun Control Network

Charity registration number: 1080791

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives</b></li></ul>
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	<b>We collect, analyse and publicise data about firearms misuse in the UK. We support those affected by gun violence, We liaise with police, MPs, government agencies, journalists and the general public to highlight deficiencies and loopholes in current firearms legislation. We campaign for gun licensing reform and tighter control on lethal and lookalike weapons in the interests of public safety.</b>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<b>We confirm that the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	

Other		

## 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	<p>We have continued to capture and log details of reports relating to gun incidents which come to our attention from media sources published in England Scotland and Wales. We extract data from these, identify trends and publish monthly reviews for Members of Parliament, the media, Police and Crime Commissioners, Councillors and others. We have continued to raise awareness of public health and safety issues relating to gun misuse and have provided support, advice and networking opportunities to victims of gun misuse and their familie. We have responded to requests from members of the press, students, film makers, those affected by gun misuse and the general public for comments, interviews and information. We have provided support and advice to community groups and individuals requesting help regarding objections to planning applications for shooting ranges and concerns regarding safety of shooting events. We thank colleagues for their willingness to meet these requests, often at short notice. We note an absence of information in the public domain regarding the status of guns used in crime. The lack of transparency in relation to guns used in suicides prevents comprehensive data collection. We have engaged with the Home Office, MPs, Police, charities, and other groups and organisations regarding high profile shootings and armed domestic violence. We continue to redirect, as appropriate, intelligence received from concerned members of the public relating to the behaviour and health of gun owners, governance and membership of gun clubs, and risks to the public during 'organised' shooting activities. Our activities over the year have also involved working towards changing the name of our charity, updating our Objectives, developing a new website, and considering the appointment of new Trustees. We continue to work in the interests of public safety, to prevent gun violence and save lives.</p>

**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	<b>To advance the activities of the charity in the forthcoming year.</b>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<b>£4786</b>
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	

### 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 ( <a href="#">trust deed</a> , <a href="#">royal charter</a> )	Para 1.25	<b>Constitution</b>
How is the charity constituted? (e.g <a href="#">unincorporated association</a> , <a href="#">CIO</a> )	Para 1.25	<b>CIO</b>
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	<b>Apart from the first charity trustees, every trustee must be appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees.</b>

### 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	Gun Control Network
Other name the charity uses	GCN
Registered charity number	1080791
Charity's principal address	11 Cloves Hill Morley Derbyshire DE76DH

**Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

	<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Office (if any)</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	<b>Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)</b>
1	Gill Marshall Andrews	Chair of Trustees		
2	Michael James North			
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**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

<b>Director name</b>		

**Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity**

<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	

## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
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	

### 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)

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## Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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## 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)

Christine Hall

Full name(s)

Christine Hall

Position (eg Secretary,  
Chair, etc)

Coordinator

Date

11<sup>th</sup> October 2024



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name <b>Gun Control Network</b>	No (if any) <b>1080791</b>
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<b>Receipts and payments accounts</b>				
<b>For the period from</b>	Period start date <b>01/01/2023</b>	<b>To</b>	Period end date <b>31/12/2023</b>	

**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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
Trust Donation	15,000	-	-	15,000	-
Individual Donations	5,000	-	-	5,000	-
Book Royalties	66	-	-	66	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>20,066</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>20,066</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>20,066</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>20,066</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
Freelance Co-ordinator	11,981	-	-	11,981	-
Freelance Data	10,501	-	-	10,501	-
Website/IT	2,160	-	-	2,160	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>24,642</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>24,642</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>24,642</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>24,642</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>- 4,576</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 4,576</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>9,362</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,362</b>	<b>9,362</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>4,786</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,786</b>	<b>9,362</b>

## 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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Funds held at bank	4,786	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>4,786</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

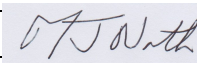
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

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

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>			-	-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	(optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	MICHAEL NORTH	10/10/2024

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## **INFER TRUST ANNUAL REPORT ON ACTIVITIES - 1 January to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022**

Our work over the year has involved capturing and logging details of press reports relating to gun incidents which come to our attention from media sources published in England Scotland and Wales. We have captured almost 1800 reports, collected valuable data and identified trends.

We have continued to raise awareness of public health and safety issues relating to firearms misuse and have provided support, advice and networking opportunities to victims of gun misuse and their families, both in person and online.

We have responded to an increasing number of requests from members of the press, students, those affected by gun misuse and the general public for comments, interviews and information. We have provided support to community groups regarding planning applications for shooting ranges and shooting events. We thank colleagues for their willingness to meet these requests, often at short notice.

We note an absence of information in the public domain regarding the status of guns used in crime. We have found that the lack of transparency in relation to guns used in suicides prevents comprehensive data collection.

We have engaged with the Home Office, MPs, Police and other organisations regarding recent high profile shootings and armed domestic violence.

We continue to redirect, as appropriate, confidential information and concerns received from members of the public relating to gun owners, gun club, and shooting activities, in the interest of our mission to prevent gun violence and save lives.

### **Statement of finance**

There has been no income or expenditure during this period.

Gill Marshall-Andrews

Trustee

August 2023



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## **INFER TRUST ANNUAL REPORT ON ACTIVITIES - 1 January to 31 December 2021**

We continue to offer support, advice and networking opportunities to those affected by gun misuse.

We also continue to respond to contacts from members of the press, students, those affected by gun misuse and the general public requiring comments, interviews and information. We thank colleagues for their willingness to meet these requests often at short notice.

Much of our work involves capturing and logging details of press reports relating to gun incidents which come to our attention from media sources published in England Scotland and Wales. This year we have captured over 1800 reports, collecting valuable data and identifying trends.

### **Status of Guns Used in Crime and Suicide**

We note an absence of information regarding the status of guns used in crime, and continued difficulties in sourcing information relating to weapons used in gun suicides since coroners conducting inquests are not required to place details of the type, or status of weapons used, in the public domain. This lack of transparency prevents comprehensive data collection.

### **Section 28 (PFD) Letters**

We note circumstances where troubled young men have accessed a gun in their home, and used it to end their life. We welcome PFD Letters from coroners drawing attention to their concerns about circumstances of gun deaths in the hope of preventing future deaths, but we note that there have been a number of missed opportunities to draw attention to issues, where measures might have been taken to prevent future deaths in similar circumstances.

We remain concerned about the number of licensed gun owners who take their own lives and note that at inquests the deceased were frequently revealed to have been suffering from e.g. depression, anxiety,



stress, financial and/ relationship difficulties, and in some cases receiving treatment from GPs, whilst continuing to live with accessible guns and ammunition in the home. It is our hope that with new statutory guidance and GP markers on the medical records of gun owners, these tragic cases will reduce as GPs alert Firearms Licensing Departments of significant changes in the health of a licensed gun owning patient.

### **Government Consultation on Firearms Safety**

We note from media reports that airguns continue to be the most frequently used weapon-type involved in gun incidents. We are disappointed that the responses to the Review on airguns, instigated in 2017 have not been made fully transparent. A further 'Consultation on Firearms Safety' was launched, which, as well as other weapons, included questions relating to airguns. The Government response on the issue of airguns and children being that, with permission from landowners, children between the ages of 14 and 17 can continue to shoot without supervision on private land. Families and others we work with believe that this decision is one which compromises safety.

### **Tasers**

We note an increase in the use of Tasers by police officers, and a significant number of deaths and injuries following the use of police Tasers. We are aware of a number of incidents after which officers have been prosecuted following their use of Tasers on victims, some of whom have sustained life changing injuries and others who have died. We note an IOPC Report following a five year review of Taser use, which raised a number of concerns which we share.

In the interests of public safety we are calling for all police officers carrying Tasers to be provided with, and activate, body cameras during all Taser incidents. The use of body cameras will ensure accountability; reduce the number of assaults suffered by officers, and increase public safety and public trust.



We continue to redirect, as appropriate, confidential information and concerns received from members of the public relating to gun owners, individuals with access to guns, the activities and governance of gun clubs, shooting ranges, shooting events, and concerns about inappropriate relationships between members of the shooting community and police officers forged through shared interests in shooting activities, gun club membership, interclub events and social occasions.

### **Statement of finance**

There has been no income or expenditure during this period.

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## **INFER TRUST ANNUAL REPORT ON ACTIVITIES - 1 January to 31 December 2020**

We continue to respond to contacts from members of the press, students, those affected by gun misuse and the general public requiring comments, interviews and information. We thank colleagues for their willingness to meet these requests.

We continue to log details of press reports relating to gun incidents which come to our attention from media sources published in England Scotland and Wales. We note an absence of information regarding the status of guns used in crime and continued difficulties in sourcing information relating to self-inflicted gun deaths.

### **Section 28 (PFD) Letters**

At inquests involving gun suicides we note that the deceased were frequently revealed to have been suffering from depression, anxiety, stress etc. and in some cases receiving treatment from GPs, whilst continuing to live with accessible guns and ammunition in the home. We note individuals who have accessed gun clubs and shooting ranges in order to take their own lives. We welcome PFD Letters from Coroners calling for better control and regulation of these premises.

It is a matter of concern that Coroners are not obliged to place the status of guns involved in fatal shootings in the public domain during Inquest proceedings, this lack of transparency prevents data collection.

### **Review of Air Weapon Regulations in England and Wales**

We note that of those incidents coming to our attention, airguns continue to be the single most frequently used weapon. We are disappointed that the responses to the Review instigated in 2017 have not been made fully transparent, and airgun licensing is not being considered for England and Wales, despite the significant reduction of airgun incidents following the introduction of licensing for airgun owners in Scotland.

### **Tasers**

We note the continued rise in the use of police Tasers and a rise in the number of deaths and injuries resulting from Taser use. We note successful prosecutions of officers regarding criminal use of Tasers. A study carried out in 2016/17 by the University of Cambridge found that officers armed with Tasers were 50% more likely to use force in the line of duty, and twice as likely to suffer an assault, than officers not carrying Tasers.

In the interests of public safety we are calling for all police officers carrying Tasers to be provided with, and activate, body cameras during all Taser incidents. The use of body cameras will ensure accountability; reduce the number of assaults suffered by officers, and increase public safety.



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### **Internationally**

Dr. Mick North addressed members of 'Americans Against Gun Violence' in a Webinar in November 2020 and is hoping to travel to the US later to take up an invitation to speak in person to the organisation.

We continue to offer support, advice and networking opportunities to those communities, and families affected by gun misuse.

We continue to redirect, as appropriate, confidential information and concerns received from members of the public relating to individuals with access to guns, gun owners, and the activities and governance of gun clubs and shooting events.

### **Statement of finance**

There has been no income or expenditure during this period.

Gill Marshall-Andrews

Trustee

8 September 2021