



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01/06/2023 To 31/05/2024

Charity name: No Strings

Charity registration number: 1096730

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	
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	
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	

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	Ongoing Human Elephant Conflict Programme Development, Kenya Our partner Born Free continued to roll out the human elephant conflict programme developed by No Strings in the previous reporting period in the Kenyan Amboseli and Menu National Parks. This followed successful delivery of a training to 25 staff working in the parks the previous year, and the use of giant, multi-operator elephant puppets for use by community members with an objective of creating knowledge, attitude and behaviour change among farming and pastoral communities living adjacent to the parks whose safety and livelihoods are impacted by elephant encroachment into farming and village areas. A key focus has been attitude change, along with crisis reduction responses that de-escalate potentially dangerous elephant responses when the animals are present. Roll-out of the tools has been ongoing throughout the period. Born Free has worked with an independent specialist to monitor and evaluate the project, with research ongoing. No Strings conducted informal interviews with lead education staff on the ground to understand and support with potential issues affecting impact and guide effective delivery. Born Free continue to collect data for an overall understanding of effectiveness. Ongoing: Handwashing with Soap in Schools, Nairobi, Kenya No Strings' project to increase rates of handwashing with soap in schools in Nairobi, Kenya, has been ongoing. The programme was initially introduced in 2021 and research findings over the period revealed that soap making practices in schools were continuing and systems in classrooms to support hand washing practices before school lunches were active and effective. Northumbria University, who we partnered with on research design, were successful in winning a £1million award based on sharing of how the programme was conducted and evaluated. Ongoing: Zimbabwe WASH Films Development Rollout of short films created by No Strings in part-

		nership with Save the Children Zimbabwe has been ongoing. The films are designed to increase behaviours relating to hand washing with soap after using the latrine, and before eating. The films aim to appeal to both adults and children as target audiences, and are disseminated through social media. November 2023 and Ongoing: Psychosocial Support Programme, Rohingya in Bangladesh Working in partnership with Catholic Relief Services, CRS, and Caritas Bangladesh, CB, No Strings delivered a two-week training in Cox's Bazaar, Bangladesh, for facilitators working directly in Kutapalong Camp with Rohingya refugee children. This followed previous trainings that were delivered to CB staff in the months preceding the Covid lockdowns. The 10-session programme is supported with tools that include large numbers of frog hand puppets and facilitator manual, along with our Butterfly and Corner Frog films that were made especially for this response. The programme focuses on psychosocial wellbeing and social and emotional learning. A small team of CB facilitators were established to oversee the programme as their sole duty, and support staff working directly with children in camp community facilities. Over the period, staff reported that children were engaging enthusiastically with the different activities and were able to record positive changes in both behaviour and attitudes according to research design indicators. Ongoing: Afghanistan Meetings with our Afghan partner OMAR, the Organisation for Mine Clearance and Afghan Rehabilitation, have continued over this period to understand how they have been able to continue rollout of our landmine awareness given additional pressure resulting from the change in government regime. Discussions also centred on how they might avail of social media to widen their dissemination, and to possibly include additional films focusing on health. Ongoing: Madagascar Partnering with CRS, dissemination of numerous No Strings programmes has continued, including Nutrition, Malaria, WASH and Disaster Risk Reduction. No Strings has worked with CRS remotely to understand and support with dissemination best practice. Ongoing: Middle East Our two films-based programmes continued to reach communities affected by conflict in the region, including children in Syria and Iraq, as well as refugee communities in Turkey, Jordan and Lebanon.
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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	
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	
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 (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust Deed dated 24/03/2003
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Trust
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	Appointed by Trustee Resolution

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	No Strings
Other name the charity uses	No Strings International
Registered charity number	1096730

Charity's principal address	11-12 The Courtyard, St Mary's Chare, Hexham, Northumberland, NE46 1NH

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 Susan Jane Pikett Timperley	Chair		
2	Mr Gary Ramsay			
3	Mr Philip Veal			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

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
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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

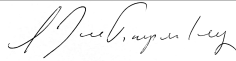
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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

SUSAN JANE PIKETT TIMPERLEY

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

Date

6.3.2025



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
No Strings International

No (if any)
1096730

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
01/06/2023

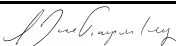
To

Period end date
31/05/2024

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	120	-	-	120	150
Grant Income	-	32,361	-	32,361	22,823
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	120	32,361	-	32,481	22,973
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	120	32,361	-	32,481	22,973
A3 Payments					
Field Costs	-	35,086	-	35,086	48,284
Administration	5,708	696	-	6,404	3,473
Foreign exchange loss/(gain)	3,681	-	-	3,681	- 12,019
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	9,389	35,782	-	45,171	39,738
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	9,389	35,782	-	45,171	39,738
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 9,269	- 3,421	-	- 12,690	- 16,765
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	15,480	89,279	-	104,759	-
Cash funds this year end	6,211	85,858	-	92,069	- 16,765

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	Cash at bank	6,211	85,858	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	6,211	85,858	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	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)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	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	
		SUSAN JANE PIKETT TIMPERLEY	6.3.2025	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
NO STRINGS

On accounts for the year
ended

31/05/2024

Charity no
(if any)

1096730

Set out on pages

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(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 / 05 / 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 Trust'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.

Signed:

Date:

17/02/2025

Name:

SHAUN NIXON

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

ACCA

Address:

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NORTHUMBERLAND
NE46 1NH

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Section B	Disclosure
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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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.

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