



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 2008

Period start date To

Period end date

Charity name: Safe Haven Effort

Charity registration number: 1126787

### Objectives and Activities:

Since 2008, we have been supporting underprivileged young people in distress by focusing on their mental well-being and providing access to essential services. These services include housing, healthcare, legal assistance, job training, and employment opportunities. Our apprenticeship program offers hands-on training in our workshop, equipping many young individuals with skills for high-demand jobs that often have a shortage of qualified candidates. At Safe Haven Effort, we are committed to engaging young people in positive activities, helping them acquire vital skills for the job market. You can watch videos created by these young people at this link: [Community TV] (<https://www.youtube.com/@communitytv6452/videos>).

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making		<p>Our organization does not have a need for a grant-making policy, as we have never distributed grants. Instead, our primary mission as a charity is to uplift and support underprivileged young people in our community. We achieve this by raising funds through public donations and various fundraising events.</p> <p>These resources allow us to provide essential services, programs, and opportunities that equip these young individuals with the tools they need to succeed. This commitment to helping the less fortunate youth is at the core of what we do.</p> <p>Our organization does not require a grant-making policy, as we have never issued any grants. As a charity, our primary focus is to support less fortunate young people using the funds we raise from the public.</p> <p>This is our mission.</p>

<p>Policy on social investment including program related investment</p>	<p>Para 1.38</p>	<p>Our charity plans to invest in a strategically located property with the goal of establishing a vibrant community center dedicated to supporting underprivileged young people in our area. This center will serve as a safe haven, offering a variety of programs, educational opportunities, and recreational activities designed to empower and uplift the youth we serve.</p> <p>Our investment strategy is carefully crafted with a dual focus on generating both growth and income. We are committed to achieving sustainable financial returns that will enable us to continually fund our programs and fulfill our charitable mission. At the same time, we prioritize the preservation and enhancement of our capital investments to ensure long-term stability and success.</p> <p>By creating this community center, we aim to provide essential resources and support that will positively impact the lives of young people, fostering personal development and resilience. To learn more about our initiatives and how you can support our efforts, please visit our website at <a href="http://www.safehavenefforts.org">www.safehavenefforts.org</a>.</p>
<p>Contribution made by volunteers</p>		<p>Our organization relies heavily on the dedication and enthusiasm of our volunteers, many of whom are young individuals we actively support in various programs. These remarkable young people have not only participated in our initiatives but have also made substantial contributions to our charity through their time, talents, and unique perspectives. Their involvement enriches our mission and helps us make a greater impact in the community, demonstrating the power of youth engagement in meaningful ways.</p>

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## 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 take great pride in our achievements as a charity, which have supported many less fortunate young people. Over the years, we've trained them in the media industry, enabling them to create music videos, documentaries, films, and more. As a result, these individuals are now able to support themselves and contribute positively to society.</p> <p>At Safe Haven Efforts, it brings us immense joy to know that despite the limited funds we have raised and the challenges we sometimes face, we've been able to bring smiles to the faces of these young people. Their success has inspired us and strengthened our resolve to continue our important work at Safe Haven Efforts.</p>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>Evaluating our achievements in relation to the objectives we set can be quite challenging, as it is often unrealistic to expect to meet every target within the designated timeframe.</p> <p>However, we consistently aim to achieve at least 40 percent of our established goals by the deadline. To facilitate this, we implement strategic planning and regular progress assessments to identify potential obstacles early on.</p> <p>This proactive approach allows us to adapt our strategies as needed, ensuring that we make meaningful progress toward our objectives while maintaining a focus on quality and effectiveness.</p>
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<p>Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	<p>The effectiveness of our fundraising initiatives in meeting our established goals can fluctuate considerably. This variability is shaped by a multitude of factors, including the prevailing financial climate, the return on investment of our campaigns, donor retention rates, the average size of contributions, the lifetime value of each donor, and the ever-changing willingness of individuals to contribute at any given moment. As a result, accurately predicting in real time the total revenue generated by our fundraising endeavors in relation to our objectives presents a complex challenge. Each of these elements plays a crucial role in defining the landscape of our fundraising success, making it essential to navigate these uncertainties with strategic foresight.</p>
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Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	<p>Our investment performance is assessed against specific, pre-defined objectives rather than simply relying on market indices. These objectives encompass a range of critical factors, including surpassing inflation rates, achieving sustainable growth, and preserving capital for future needs. We place a strong emphasis on risk-adjusted returns, ensuring that our gains are proportional to the risks taken, while also maintaining a keen focus on total investment costs to maximize net returns.</p> <p>Moreover, we prioritize consistency in performance over time, recognizing that reliable returns build trust and confidence in our strategies. To ensure that our investment strategies remain aligned with long-term financial goals, we carry out comprehensive portfolio reviews at least once a year. These reviews involve a thorough analysis of our investment performance against our benchmarks, an evaluation of any changing economic conditions, and adjustments to our strategies as needed to respond to evolving market dynamics and donors objectives.</p> <p>By taking this disciplined approach, we strive to maintain a proactive management style that aligns with our overarching mission of achieving our financial aspirations against objectives. We primarily work with volunteers at this time for this reason.</p>
Other		

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<p>The review of the charity's financial position requires a careful assessment of income and expenses.</p> <p>A robust financial administration system is essential to prevent the charity from encountering serious financial difficulties at the end of the period.</p> <p>This year, the funds accrued and income generated from fundraising have improved our financial position compared to previous years.</p>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Our current reserves are maintained to help manage the operations of the charity.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	47,000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	There are no reasons for maintaining zero reserves, as none are currently held.
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	We do not have any funds that are significantly in deficit, as we do not have any such funds.
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	The only uncertainty regarding the charity's continuation as a going concern is the lack of funds needed to sustain our work.

### 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	<p>We depend on our regular donors and the sales of our merchandise available on our website: &gt;</p> <p><a href="http://www.safehavenefforts.org">www.safehavenefforts.org</a>.</p>
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Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	<p>Currently, we do not have a formal investment policy in place. However, our primary objective is to secure funding for the establishment of a Community Center that will serve our local population. We envision this center as a hub for community engagement, activities, and resources.</p> <p>Before we are in a position to make this investment, we plan to develop and implement a comprehensive social investment policy. This policy will outline our investment criteria, goals, and strategies to ensure that our funding decisions align with our community's needs and values. We are committed to fostering a positive social impact through our investments and enhancing the overall well-being of our community.</p>
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	<p>Our primary challenge as a charity is the lack of adequate funding, which crucially hinders our ability to sustain and expand the vital services we provide to those in need.</p> <p>Without sufficient financial resources, we may struggle to deliver essential support and programs that benefit the individuals and communities we serve. Ensuring a stable and diversified funding base is essential for us to continue our mission of making a meaningful difference in the lives of others.</p>
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Articles Of Memorandum
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Safe Haven Effort is incorporated since 2008 with Company House
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	Mr Howard Francis and Mr Mohammed Aminu Dansarari

### 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	Our trustees have prior experience with other charities before joining us. Consequently, no induction or training for trustees is necessary. However, the trustees implement new policies and procedures that are essential to their responsibilities.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	There is no organizational structure beyond what has already been explained, and the charity does not have a wider network, aside from the typical framework like other charities.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	No relationship with any related parties
Other		

### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Safe Haven Effort
Other name the charity uses	SHE
Registered charity number	1126787



Charity's principal address	5 New Quebec Street. London W1H 7RG

### 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	Howard Francis	5 New Quebec Street. London W1H 7RG		Howard Francis
2	Sonia Belmonte			
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### Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
<b>Mohammed Aminu Dansarari</b>		
<b>Howard Francis</b>		

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

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
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## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
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
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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)

	
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Full name(s)

Howard Francis	
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Position (eg  
Secretary, Chair, etc)

Director	
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Date

05/03/2026
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