



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **1 November 2021** Period start date To  
Period end date **31 October 2022**

Charity name: **THE BASTION BATON**

Charity registration number: **1135897**

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<b>1. Promote the sufficiency of the Armed Forces</b> <b>2. The relief of members and former members of armed forces who are in need.</b> <b>3. Raise awareness</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	<b>Donations of support and welfare payments to individuals in need, many through requests from SSAFA, plus donations to other charities.</b> <b>This year worked on delivering a project on the impact of suicide on family members of armed forces personnel</b>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<b>The Trustees have had regard to 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	<b>Due to Covid restrictions and lockdown, income streams have been reduced in the last two years, but welfare payments and donations to beneficiaries continue. Working with other organisations, the charity is involved in a research project on suicide impact with funding from The Armed Forces Covenant. The research project is still ongoing and results are expected to be reported next year</b>

### 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	<b>The charity has sufficient reserves to meet expected demand in the short term</b>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<b>Funds built up over time, required to fund demand in case of dips (such as covid and lockdown). Future fundraising is reduced due to change in employment status of main driving individual.</b>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<b>£27060</b>
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	<b>n/a</b>
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	<b>n/a</b>
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	<b>none</b>

### 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	<b>Registered at Charity Commission</b>
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	<b>Unincorporated charity</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>none</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	THE BASTION BATON
Other name the charity uses	THE BATON
Registered charity number	1135897
Charity's principal address	22 OAKLEA HONITON DEVON EX14 1XH

## 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	ALAN ROWE	FOUNDER		
2	PAULINE ROWE			
3	BARRY GRAY			
4	IAN SCOTT			
5	PAUL WATSON			
6	HELEN TAILYOUR		Resigned 2023	
7	DEBORAH HARRISON		Resigned 2023	
8	FIONA YATES		Appointed 9 June 2023	
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## Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
None		

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

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
None		

## 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	
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)

ALAN ROWE

Full name(s)

ALAN JOHN ROWE

Position (eg Secretary,  
Chair, etc)

Founder/Trustee

Date

25/8/2023



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THE BASTION BATON

1135897

## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period  
from

Period start date  
01-Nov-21

To

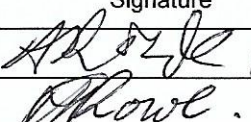
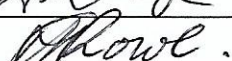
Period end date  
31-Oct-22

### 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>					
Sponsorship, donations and fundraising	11,697	-	-	11,697	14,101
Fees for project administration	2,121	-	-	2,121	4,243
Gift Aid tax receipt	485	-	-	485	187
Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust Funding	-	110,583	-	110,583	110,583
Bank interest	-	6	-	6	2
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>14,303</b>	<b>110,589</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>124,892</b>	<b>129,116</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
Sale of asset	-	-	-	-	6,500
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,500</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>14,303</b>	<b>110,589</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>124,892</b>	<b>135,616</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Grants to beneficiaries	14,063	-	-	14,063	11,074
Donations to other charities	5,700	-	-	5,700	3,381
Marketing and administration	2,512	-	-	2,512	3,796
Fundraising costs - Dinner	2,563	-	-	2,563	-
Project running costs	-	147,423	-	147,423	71,084
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>24,838</b>	<b>147,423</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>172,261</b>	<b>89,335</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>24,838</b>	<b>147,423</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>172,261</b>	<b>89,335</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>- 10,535</b>	<b>- 36,834</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 47,369</b>	<b>46,281</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>37,595</b>	<b>39,501</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>77,096</b>	<b>30,815</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>27,060</b>	<b>2,667</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>29,727</b>	<b>77,096</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>	Bank account	26,160	-	-
	Paypal account	300	-	-
	Project bank account	600	2,667	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>27,060</b>	<b>2,667</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<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)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<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
			ALAN ROWE	24-8-23
			PAULINE ROWE	24-8-23



# CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Independent examiner's report on the accounts

### Section A

### Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Charity Name

THE BASTION BATON

On accounts for the year  
ended

31 OCTOBER 2022

Charity no  
(if any)

1135897

Set out on pages

1 - 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 / 10 / 2022.

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 (~~other than that disclosed below\*~~) 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:

Date:

23/08/23

Name:

DAVID TUCKER

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

INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS IN ENGLAND & WALES  
ASSOCIATION OF CHARTERED CERTIFIED ACCOUNTANTS

Address:

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DEVON EX2 4DG

### 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.**