



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 September 2022 To 31 August 2023

Charity name: Les Alouettes

Charity registration number: 1139599

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To advance the education of French speaking children in the French language and the cultures of the French speaking world.
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	Provision of French education through teaching in formal classroom environments on a Saturday morning.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees have kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

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>The charity continued to see regular attendance at the classes, with more than 50 students attending some weeks.</p> <p>Some of the older children undertook recognised DELF examinations at either A1, A2, B1 or B2 levels and some took early GCSEs.</p> <p>All children passed.</p> <p>The highest scores included 100% in A1 and A2 exams and all children that took early GCSEs got a top grade.</p>

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The financial position is strong, with over £20,000 held in cash reserves.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The cash is held in reserve to allow for a period of downturn, e.g. where student numbers reduce or where more teachers or increased pay to teachers is required to ensure ongoing provision of the key activities.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£22,684
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/a
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/a

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	Unincorporated association
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 nominated and approved by members.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Les Alouettes
Registered charity number	1139599
Charity's principal address	8 Highview Close Sudbury Suffolk CO10 1LY

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	Christopher Barker			
2	Andrew Crick			
3	Marie-Aimee Rivierre		01/09/2022 – 31/12/2022	
4	Caroline Versigny		01/09/2022 – 31/12/2022	
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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

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)	Christopher Barker	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee & Treasurer	
Date	11 May 2024	



**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE
YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023**

	2023	2023	2022	2022
INCOME				
School fees and photos	26,386		24,506	
Total school fees		26,386		24,506
One-off donations	-		20	
Fundraising events	221		-	
Amazon smile	58		28	
Easy fundraising	255		387	
Total fundraising		534		435
TOTAL INCOME		26,920		24,941
EXPENSES				
Photos and mounts	-		77	
Marketing	-		122	
Teachers fees	14,786		13,761	
Rent	6,440		5,878	
Fete	166		100	
Staff and student gifts	-		103	
Food and drink	-		92	
Stationery, postage etc.	47		445	
Books and magazines	-		41	
Other teaching materials	282		166	
Library boxes	-		314	
Internet charges	206		326	
Laptops and shed	-		561	
Business insurance	578		609	
Repairs and renewals	15		195	
Subscriptions	50		35	
Training costs	191		136	
DBS fees	1,016		-	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		(23,777)		(22,961)
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)		3,143		1,980



BALANCE SHEET
YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

	2023	2023	2022	2022
Bank	22,877		22,334	
Debtors	<u>13</u>		<u>41</u>	
		22,890		22,375
Creditors	206		2,384	
Deferred income	<u>-</u>		<u>450</u>	
		(206)		(2,834)
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Net Assets		22,684		19,541
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Reserves - unrestricted				
Brought forward		19,541		17,561
Surplus / (Deficit for year)		3,143		1,980
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Total reserves		22,684		19,541
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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name
Les Alouettes

On accounts for the year ended

31 August 2023

Charity no
(if any)

1139599

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 31/08/2023.

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 (other than that disclosed below *) 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.978

Signed:

Date:

11/5/24

Name:

Victoria Spencer-Allen

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

Address:

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Highwoods

Colchester CO4 9TW

Section B

Disclosure

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.