



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 02 Sept 2023 Period start date To 01 Sept 2024 Period end date

Charity name: Friends of Skyswood School

Charity registration number: 1140514

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 pupils in the school particularly by: Developing effective relationships between the staff, parents and others associated with the school; Engaging in activities or providing facilities or equipment which support the School and advance the education of the pupils
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	The Friends of Skyswood School exists to provide financial support to the School, under the direction of the Head teacher and the Governing Body, in order to provide specific aids either within delivery of the curriculum or with improving the overall environment of the school or through the projection of the school into the community. The main event organised over the last 12 months is the Summer Fair which is popular event for the extended school community and involves many local businesses.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	All Trustees have received the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit upon commencement of their position

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>The charity's main achievements are organising and running inclusive events for the whole School community, for example the Summer Fair, Elves workshop, Camp night and Discos.</p> <p>These events provide an opportunity for parents, teachers and pupils to come together, have fun and raise funds to benefit the school. Funds raised over the past year have mainly gone towards purchasing a new Learning Pod in the quadrangle which has provided much needed additional space in the school for small group teaching and extra-curricular activities.</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		

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Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The cash balance held by the charity at the period end is very strong and is sufficient to cover all funding requests which have been approved. Successful fundraising events since the period end have raised further profits putting the charity in a great position to pay out funding requests as approved.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	No reserves are held but a minimum cash balance of £3,000 (after deduction of any approved funding requests) is always held to cover any emergency funding requests by the school
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	N/a
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

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	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	New Trustees are voted in at Committee meetings

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	Friends of Skyswood School
Other name the charity uses	FoSS
Registered charity number	1140514
Charity's principal address	Skyswood Primary School Chandlers Road ST. ALBANS Hertfordshire AL4 9RS

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 Kirkup	Chairperson		
2	Julie Amel-Azizpour	Treasurer		
3	Samantha Dewar	Secretary		
4	Gemma Lillian Kenward			
5	Stuart Burden			
6	Vicki Shilston			
7	Daksha Taylor		Appointed post year-end 31 December 2024	
8	Rebecca Hall		Appointed post year-end 31 December 2024	
9	Hannah Rodrigues		Appointed post year-end 31 December 2024	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

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

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)	<i>Julie Amel-Azizpour</i>	
Full name(s)	Julie Amel-Azizpour	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	
Date	15/06/25	



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Friends of Skyswood school

No 1140514

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	02-Sep-23	To	01-Sep-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 £
A1 Receipts					
Gross takings from fundraising events	37,001	-	-	37,001	33,507
Parent donations	100	-	-	100	2,882
Amazon giving	-	-	-	-	94
Matched Funding	3,665	-	-	3,665	2,944
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	40,766	-	-	40,766	39,427
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	40,766	-	-	40,766	39,427
A3 Payments					
Cost of running fundraising events	18,373	-	-	18,373	15,935
Admin costs - NCPTA subs	153	-	-	153	140
Grants paid to Skyswood school	25,697	-	-	25,697	25,843
Other costs	1,200	-	-	1,200	616
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	45,423	-	-	45,423	42,535
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
Card Reader	80	-	-	80	309
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	80	-	-	80	309
Total payments	45,503	-	-	45,503	42,844
Net of receipts/(payments)	4,737	-	-	4,737	3,417
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	23,063	-	-	23,063	26,479
Cash funds this year end	18,326	-	-	18,326	23,063

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	Bank Account	18,326	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	18,326	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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)
	Gazebos	unrestricted	-	-
	Card readers	unrestricted	-	-
	Urn	unrestricted	-	-
	Candy Floss Machine	unrestricted	-	-
	Fridge	unrestricted	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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
		<i>Julie Amel-Azizpour</i>	Julie Amel-Azizpour	07/05/2025

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Friends of Skyswood School

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Friends of Skyswood School (the Trust) for the year ended 1 September 2024.

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 all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

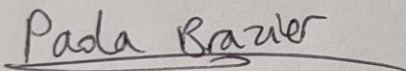
Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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:



Name: Paola Brazier

Relevant professional qualification: Chartered Accountant (ICAEW)

Address: 2 Evans Grove, St Albans, AL4 9PJ

Date: 4 June 2025