

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1st April 2022 Period start date To 31st March 2023 Period end date

Charity name: StreetLight Project

Charity registration number:1156179

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The object of the CIO is, for the public benefit, to advance the Christian faith in Dorset and in other such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the charity trustees may from time to time decide.
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	<p>The Trustees of StreetLight present their annual report and audited accounts for the above year ending 31st March 2023. The Project operates within the Charity Commission guidelines and became a registered charity on the 14th March 2014.</p> <p>The object of the project for the public benefit is to advance the Christian faith in Dorset and in other such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the charity trustees may from time to time decide.</p> <p>We aim to do this by working with local churches, schools, other organisations and individuals. StreetLight is a community resource, initially focussed around an indoor skate park and cafe, providing a local facility that did not previously exist in Wimborne - a meeting space for all.</p> <p>In setting our objectives and planning our activities the trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit. Since opening StreetLight to the general public three areas of guidance have been particularly helpful to focus our report on:</p>

		<p>1) 'Managing risks of harm', identifying them, minimising the risk of harm and making sure that any harm that might arise is a minor consequence of carrying out the purposes of the project,</p> <p>2) 'Park Usage' balancing the hours we are available to the public with resources and</p> <p>3) 'Advancement of religion', and demonstrating how the activities we provide fall into this category.</p> <p>1 Managing risk</p> <p>Regular risk assessments take place in order to identify risk, appropriate measures are then put in place to minimise risk. For example, the park is checked for defects before every session and all health and safety protocol is adhered to. In order to minimise any risk to the public, staff or volunteers, there is always a first aider on site during skate opening hours. Over the last year first aid training has been provided, as a result 4 people have gained a qualification in first aid who otherwise may not have had one. Similarly, 6 people have gained a Level 2 Food and Hygiene certificate. Also 1 of our staff have completed and passed their Fire Marshall qualification.</p> <p>The project continues to distribute its induction packs for all new volunteers who receive on the job training. The benefit of this is that volunteers have been 'up skilled' and given confidence for their roles in the cafe or marshalling on the park where they serve the public. The project is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of the public. Therefore, all volunteers and staff are DBS checked prior to commencing volunteering. In addition to this all Staff have received Radicalisation Training and GDPR training.</p> <p>In order to minimise risk there are regulations for use of the park that riders sign up to and are required to abide by, for instance, wearing a helmet at all times whilst on the park. The benefit of this is safety, minimising the risk and making sure that any harm that may arise is a minor consequence of carrying out the purposes</p>
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		<p>of the project. In order to ensure this does not prohibit some members of the public from making use of the facilities, as they may not have protective equipment or scooters/skateboards of their own, there is a wide range of helmets, along with scooters and skateboards for use at the project, free of charge. Streetlight provides 6 hours of free skate park riding available to the public every week. In offering facilities to the public where risk is managed and therefore any harm should be minor. We have found that we continue to grow within the community as schools, churches and other organisations hire us and trust us. As a consequence many more members of the public use the premises and have learnt to skate, been able to relax, meet friends, play pool and attend events.</p> <p>The provision of our state of the art children's area with soft play benefits families with under 6s, with their younger children being able to play in a safe and nurturing environment, whilst their older siblings use the skate park or the space can be used by parents during the school day with younger children.</p> <p>Itsy Dance school, a toddler and baby group meet twice weekly attracting between 15-22 children.</p> <p>Our volunteers range from the age of 12-77 years which provides a wealth of life experience as they support and learn from each other as well as serving the community in their voluntary roles. 5 youth volunteers have been able to use their time volunteering as part of their community service for the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme. Another 5 school pupils have taken part in work experience at the project. Many have used the skills and experienced gained in volunteering at the project in job applications for paid work. Two recent work experience person joined our volunteer team.</p> <p>2 Park Usage</p> <p>There have been over 7000 visits to the park in the last year. The hours of the park</p>
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		<p>are altered during the school holidays and relevant activities such as Summer £1 per hour riding. July 2021 we installed air conditioning in the skate park funded by an individual who sees the value of the work we do at Streetlight, and this increased our foot fall over the hot summer.</p> <p>We continue to provide facilities for local schools, including, Allenbourn, Castle Court, QE School. In addition, Beaucroft School, which provides education for children with special needs and learning difficulties, attends a weekly social and life skills session in the park's café. The café is used as a safe place for supervised meeting for cared for children and their parents.</p> <p>3 The Ministry of Streetlight</p> <p>The whole project exists as a practical expression of the Christian faith. The main purpose of the project as our object states is ministry, seeking to share the gospel with young people adults and families. Therefore, as a project we have run courses such as youth alpha and run weekly bible studies, at which the Christian faith is explained and discussed.</p> <p>We have also run one off or less regular events for young people and adults, such as craft nights with a Christian message as part of the evening, men's and women's events with testimonies of faith from Christians at the events. Some of these events are joint with other Christian organisations or churches and some are run solely by StreetLight staff and volunteers.</p> <p>This is our Vision: For every young person and family in Wimborne to hear and experience the love and light of Jesus.</p> <p>This is our Mission: To enable young people and families to hear and experience God's love in a supportive, safe, friendly and fun environment. We have a heart for our community, engaging with schools, churches, youth projects and other local organisations.</p>
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		<p>StreetLight is a parachurch organisation and as such seeks to work with other churches as a resource, providing encouragement and the 'advancement of the Christian faith in Dorset'. The Project Director, Andy Putt, meets regularly and works with local church Youth Workers in a group called the Way (Wimborne Area Youth).</p> <p>At StreetLight we are here to help and develop young people and support them in their lives, having hundreds of young people makes this more challenging so we have team rider and Junior teams. This included those who regularly attend StreetLight and want to develop and improve their skills on and off the park. Being part of these teams means they have sessions at StreetLight just for them with support from the staff and volunteers. We also do support others who attend the Centre and give lots of time and encouragement to them.</p> <p>We have this year gone on 3 trips to additional parks where the team ride and enjoy community together and we always enjoy a meal together.</p> <p>Andy is a Chaplain at Queen Elizabeth School, where he provides help, mentoring and advice to students Two days per week. This has helped forge a close link between the school and StreetLight and has provided much needed support for young people with anxiety issues, depression and troubled home lives. Andy has also developed the school Christian services over the last year (Welcome/Remembrance/Carol and Easter). Sharing the Gospel message in a relevant way to the students, staff and parents.</p> <p>1 church has hired the premises in the last year for events that advance the Christian faith. All volunteers are also made aware of the statement of faith in our Constitution.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance	Para 1.18	The object of the project for the public benefit is to advance the Christian faith in Dorset and in other such parts of the

issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit		United Kingdom and the world as the charity trustees may from time to time decide.
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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>Over 7000 visits were made to the Skate Park in the last year. These are predominantly the young people from the local community that the Park was set up for.</p> <p>Over the year numbers of soft play users have increased markedly. And we are seeing an increase in locals and families staying for a lengthy session. In January 2023 we received a grant to extend the size of the soft play area and this has in turn increased the number of people who attend which opens opportunity for more relationship building and support.</p>

		<p>We provide a much needed facility in a safe controlled environment for children from a range of backgrounds.</p> <p>We continue to maintain our high food standards with the level 5 Food and Hygiene Award from the Food Standard Agency.</p> <p>Over the last years the summer has been a quiet time for the skate park and café. In order to enable local families to use the park more we made a decision to make the park £1 per hour for people to use during the summer holidays. Lots of local families who struggle to entertain and pay for activities really appreciated the support of being able to use the centre on a regular basis, while others were happy to send their children to a safe caring environment.</p> <p>Financial achievements The organisation regularly reviews its finances to ensure it is operating on a sound financial footing. Over this year we have increased our reserves for any future challenges and growth.</p> <p>Community StreetLight is well established in the local community, and sees a significant number of locals coming to the centre on a regular basis. During the last year we have run a large number of children's parties. Between 1 and 2 every weekend.</p> <p>Streetlight has been hired for private functions by several different community groups, schools and individuals.</p> <p>Events such as, All wrapped up at Christmas event, were attended by many StreetLight families from a non-church background.</p>
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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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	Current account £3,964 Deposit account £32,523 Cash on site £370 Total £35,857 Plus due from Till System £454 Grand total £37,311
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We hold a policy stating our reserves must be £20,000 or over.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£20,000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
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	

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	StreetLight runs the café and skate park, which provides partial income. Along side this is a large percentage of grant applications, churches and individual supporters who donate regularly to the project.
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	The charity runs on a significant gifts and donations but we feel the support is higher than ever and don't see this as a risk to the future viability of the charity.
Other		Five years ago we reviewed the requirements for the presentation of the annual accounts. We were happy with the way we approached this and will do the same this year. This still complies with the relevant legislation. We believe this is more

		meaningful and more understandable to the reader of this report.
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Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust Deed
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
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	Trustee Deed Section 11

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	StreetLight Project
Other name the charity uses	StreetLight Centre
Registered charity number	1156179
Charity's principal address	StreetLight Centre Stone Lane Wimborne BH21 1HB

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	Eddie Curry	Chair		Board of trustees
2	Debbie Tudor-Thomas			Board of trustees
3	Max Derrick			Board of trustees
4	Peter Wilgress			Board of trustees
5	Susie Wilgress			Board of trustees
6	Sarah Hobson			Board of trustees
7	Shaun Steger-Lewis			Board of trustees
8	Samantha Bourne			Board of trustees
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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
Spiritual Mentor	Chris Duffett	8 Sandy road, Great Gransden, Sandy, Beds, SG19 3AQ

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

N/A

Other optional information

N/A

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>C.E. Curry</i>	<i>Susan E Willgress</i>
Full name(s)	CHARLES EDWARD CURRY	SUSAN E. WILLGRESS.
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	TRUSTEE
Date	12/12/23.	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Streetlight Project

1156179

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01/04/2022

To

31/03/2023

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	70,016	-	-	70,016	87,561
Parties & hire	12,876	-	-	12,876	6,161
Café and shop	69,069	-	-	69,069	49,745
Skate Park takings	16,229	-	-	16,229	16,501
Interest income	135	-	-	135	5
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	168,325	-	-	168,325	159,973
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	168,325	-	-	168,325	159,973
A3 Payments					
Salaries	74,892	-	-	74,892	69,175
Operating misc	13,237	-	-	13,237	12,820
Cafe and shop supplies	43,271	-	-	43,271	30,303
Rent & rates	20,120	-	-	20,120	35,308
Gas, electricity, water & telephone	6,618	-	-	6,618	1,932
Insurance	7,189	-	-	7,189	3,776
Building repairs & maintenance	6,088	-	-	6,088	4,753
Equipment hire	-	-	-	-	573
Fundraising expenses	-	-	-	-	3,000
Sub total	171,415	-	-	171,415	161,640
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Fixed asset additions	15,625	-	-	15,625	12,619
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	15,625	-	-	15,625	12,619
Total payments	187,040	-	-	187,040	174,259
Net of receipts/(payments)	-18,715	-	-	- 18,715	- 14,286
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	56,027	-	-	56,027	70,313
Cash funds this year end	37,312	-	-	37,312	56,027

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank current account	3,964	-	18,354
	Bank deposit account	32,524	-	37,001
	Cash in hand	370	-	249
	Credit card receivable	454	-	423
	Total cash funds	37,312	-	56,027
	(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)
	Fixed Assets - total expenditure to date	Unrestricted funds	187,454	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	PAYE due (paid quarterly)	Unrestricted funds	2,418	22 April 2023
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval

15th December 2023

The Trustees
Streetlight Project
Stone Lane
Wimborne
BH21 1HB

Dear Trustees,

Re: Independent Examination of Streetlight Project for the Year Ended 31st March 2023

I have completed the independent examination of Streetlight Project's accounts for the year ended 31st March 2023 and after reviewing the accounts and procedures, include below my recommendations for your consideration.

The main issue I bring to the trustees attention is the current Cash Reserves Policy. The policy of maintaining a £20,000 reserve was held throughout the year ended 31st March 2023, however in the months since, the cash balance has swiftly approached and since reached that £20,000 level. I would therefore recommend a focused effort on reducing discretionary expenditure in order to maintain cash reserves above £20,000. This is particularly important in the absence of 'income to be identified' and additional grant income.

Further to this, I suggest the Trustees consider the adequacy of their cash reserve policy, and whether a policy of maintaining an average 3 months' expenditure would be beneficial. I appreciate this would require significant application in terms of reduction to discretionary spend whilst maximizing available income streams, however given recent operating results and trends, would recommend urgent attention is given to this for a greater level of protection.

If the Trustees have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Kind regards,



Nikola Wilkinson
Chartered Accountant



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name
Streetlight Project

On accounts for the year ended

31st March 2023

Charity no
(if any)

1156179

Set out on pages

(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 31/03/2023.

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 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:

29-12-2023

Name:

Nikola Wilkinson

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

Chartered Accountant

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.