

# FRIENDS OF SERENITY

England & Wales - Charity number 1157866

## Details

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**Other names** FOS

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Trust

**Registered** 2014-07-15

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** TO PRESERVE AND PROTECT THE HEALTH OF SICK PREGNANT WOMEN AND THOSE WHO HAVE SUFFERED A MISCARRIAGE, STILLBIRTH OR NEONATAL DEATH IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY: (I) PROVIDING AND ASSISTING IN THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT AT EAST LANCASHIRE WOMEN AND NEW BORN CENTRE NOT NORMALLY PROVIDED BY THE STATUTORY AUTHORITIES. (II) SUPPORTING NEWLY BEREAVED PARENTS BY THE PROVISION OF MEMORY BOXES.(III) PROVIDING QUALIFIED INFORMATION BY ANY MEANS APPROPRIATE ON THE CHROMOSOME DISORDER TRISOMY 13 FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT.

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## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Services, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Economic/community Development/employment, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- Bolton
- Lancashire
- Liverpool City
- Manchester City
- North Yorkshire

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£40,817	£25,803	-	-
2024-08-31	£32,424	£61,142	-	-
2023-08-31	£53,590	£17,171	-	-
2022-08-31	£15,713	£15,258	-	-
2021-08-31	£37,015	£46,007	-	-
2020-08-31	£30,854	£19,663	-	-

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
ELIZABETH CLARE NORBURY BA HONS		2014-02-23
JOANNE MARIE EDWARDS		2014-02-23

**FRIENDS OF SERENITY**

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# Accounts

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## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **01.09.2024** To **31.08.2025**

**Charity name: Friends Of Serenity**

**Charity registration number: 1157866**

### Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To support and assist the provision of facilities at East Lancs Women and Newborn Centre not normally provided by the trust/NHS, providing support for bereaved families and those in subsequent pregnancies.
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	This financial year, our service has continued to provide memory boxes, rainbow boxes, and personalised keepsakes to families experiencing baby loss. These items remain consistently available to all bereaved families across East Lancashire, ensuring they receive meaningful support at every stage of their journey. We have also continued to develop our Tree of Life project, collecting names for new blossoms and honouring the memory of our children through collective acts of remembrance. This ongoing work ensures that families have a dedicated space to reflect, remember, and feel connected to a supportive community.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	In planning and delivering our activities throughout the year, we have ensured that all work remains fully aligned with the charity's core objectives. We have carefully considered the guidance provided by the Charity Commission and sought professional advice where appropriate to ensure that our services continue to deliver clear public benefit. This approach has enabled us to maintain high standards of governance while ensuring that our support remains meaningful, ethical, and responsive to the

		needs of the families we serve.
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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	n/a
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	n/a
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Our volunteers have continued to play an essential role in supporting our work throughout the year. They have contributed their time and skills at our memory box and keepsake-making events, held regularly at our storage unit, ensuring we can meet the ongoing demand for these treasured items. Many volunteers have also created their own fundraising initiatives and taken part in races and events accessed through <i>Run4Charity</i> , further strengthening our ability to sustain and grow our services. In addition, volunteers who knit items for our memory boxes provide a deeply personal touch that is greatly appreciated by the families we support. Their dedication and compassion remain central to the success of our charity.
Other		

**Achievements and Performance**

	SORP reference	
<p>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.</p>	<p>Para 1.20</p>	<p>Over the past year, Friends of Serenity has continued to make a profound and measurable difference to the lives of bereaved families across East Lancashire and beyond. Through the expansion of our memory-making services, the provision of keepsakes, memory boxes, and practical support such as funding birth and stillbirth certificates, we have helped families create lasting connections with their babies at an unimaginably difficult time. Our community partnerships, including work with healthcare providers and local organisations, have strengthened the support network available to parents, while initiatives such as the Tree of Life project have offered a meaningful space for remembrance and healing. Collectively, these achievements not only enhance the wellbeing of our beneficiaries but also contribute to wider societal benefits by promoting compassionate bereavement care, reducing isolation, and fostering a more understanding and supportive community for those experiencing baby loss.</p> <p>Through our memory-making service, we have continued to see a notable increase in the number of losses across East Lancashire. As a result, we have provided significantly more keepsakes than in previous years. These keepsakes are deeply valued by our beneficiaries, offering families the opportunity to create and hold on to cherished memories of their babies.</p> <p>We continue to collaborate with Lancashire County Council to directly fund birth and stillbirth certificates, easing the financial and emotional burden on parents during an exceptionally difficult time.</p> <p>In addition, the Tree of Life project now complete and in situ, continues to offer a dedicated, reflective space where families can go to remember and honour their babies in a peaceful and supportive environment. We look to improve the garden space and seek planning ideas from the hospital estates team.</p> <p>We are now working towards fundraising towards the project of refurbishing the bereavement suites and are currently in a planning phase.</p>

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**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

<p>Achievements against objectives set</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	<p>Donations from the public have enabled us to meet key targets and continue supporting the hospital in enhancing its services. This generosity has ensured we can maintain our full offer of memory boxes, rainbow boxes, and personalised keepsakes for bereaved families.</p> <p>The Tree of Life is now in place and had a grand opening on 15th October 2024, starting with over 150 baby names. We continued to care for and preserve our Tree of Life sculpture, adding new blossoms each quarter. This ongoing commitment ensures the tree remains a meaningful and comforting space for families to honour and remember their babies.</p> <p>We have also strengthened our community partnerships this year through our collaboration with Blackburn Rovers Community Trust, particularly via the <i>Blackburn Rovers Dads FC</i> group. This partnership has created a supportive space for bereaved fathers to connect, share experiences, and engage in physical activity as a means of promoting wellbeing. Through this collaboration, we have been able to extend our reach, offer tailored support to dads, and ensure they feel included, valued, and represented within our wider bereavement services.</p>
<p>Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	<p>Through our continued partnership with <i>Run4Charity</i>, we have seen a significant interest from families taking part in fundraising events on our behalf. Each participant set a personal fundraising target and successfully achieved their goals, demonstrating remarkable commitment to supporting our projects.</p> <p>Fundraisers who raised over £1,000 were invited to submit a dedication for a large blossom on the Tree of Life. All other participants were offered the opportunity to have a blossom added to the tree during the next installation, ensuring every supporter is recognised for their contribution.</p> <p>Fundraising has played a vital role in enabling us to maintain and expand our keepsake services, which continue to grow</p>

		<p>in demand each year. The generosity of our supporters ensures that we can keep providing meaningful, high-quality keepsakes to families when they need them most.</p> <p>During this financial year, we were successful in participating in a golf and gala event alongside three cast members from <i>Coronation Street</i>. While the event took place within the current reporting period, the financial benefit generated will be reflected in the charity's accounts for the next financial year. This opportunity not only raised our profile but also strengthened community engagement and future fundraising potential.</p>
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	At the end of the financial period, the charity remains in a stable and sustainable financial position. Income generated through fundraising activities, public donations, and community partnerships has enabled us to continue delivering our core services without interruption. Expenditure has been carefully managed to ensure that resources are directed toward activities that provide the greatest benefit to bereaved families, including the ongoing provision of memory boxes, keepsakes, and support initiatives. The charity has maintained appropriate reserves in line with our policy, ensuring financial resilience and the ability to meet future commitments. Overall, the charity's financial position reflects responsible stewardship, effective planning, and a continued commitment to supporting families experiencing baby loss.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Reserves are held to ensure the continued delivery of our core services, including the creation of keepsakes and memory boxes, as well as the provision of books and funding for stillbirth certificates. Maintaining appropriate reserves allows us to safeguard these essential offerings and ensure stability for the families who rely on our support.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	We try to ensure we maintain £10,000 in reserves
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
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		The charity's principal sources of funds continue to come from public donations, individual fundraising efforts, and organised community events. Many families have chosen to support our work by creating their
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any fundraising)	Para 1.47	own fundraising pages through platforms such as Enthuse and JustGiving, often in memory of their babies or in recognition of the support they have received. These personal initiatives not only generate vital income but also help raise awareness of our services within the wider community. In addition, collaborative events, most notably our charity golf day have provided significant fundraising opportunities and strengthened our partnerships with local organisations and supporters. Together, these income streams ensure the sustainability of our core services and enable us to continue delivering meaningful support to bereaved families.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	n/a
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	<p>All the trustees support the charity in a voluntary capacity, working full time elsewhere, therefore, completing paperwork, driving the charity socials and profile forward as well as maintaining our continuous supply of keepsakes can be challenging at times.</p> <p>The charity faces several principal risks that could impact its ability to deliver services effectively. A key risk is the reliance on voluntary income, including public donations and community-led fundraising, which can fluctuate due to economic pressures and changes in donor behaviour. This creates potential uncertainty in sustaining core services such as memory boxes, keepsakes, and bereavement support initiatives. The charity also depends heavily on volunteers for operational activities, meaning any reduction in volunteer availability could affect service delivery. In addition, rising costs of materials and resources present a financial risk, requiring careful budget management and forward planning. By monitoring these risks and maintaining appropriate reserves, the charity aims to ensure long-term stability and continuity of support for bereaved families.</p>

Other		

## 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	Trustees / Trust
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	Appointed by Joanne Edwards Founder and consultation of trustees.

### 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	Trustee's participate in Teams meetings, group meetings and webinars from charities and fundraising platforms
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	We continue to strengthen our collaborative relationships with key partners to ensure our services remain responsive and effective. We maintain an active Memorandum of Understanding with the hospital charity, meeting with them as required to support joint hospital projects. Regular engagement with Lancashire County Council registrars has enabled ongoing discussions around funding for certificates, ensuring families receive timely and compassionate support. We also hold routine check-ins with Run4Charity to coordinate participation in events and maximise fundraising opportunities. In addition, our partnerships with Maggie's Stillbirth Legacy and Blackburn Rovers Community Trust have further expanded our reach, allowing us to work closely together through regular meetings and shared initiatives that enhance

		the support available to bereaved families.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	We continue to strengthen our collaborative relationships with key partners to ensure our services remain responsive and effective. We maintain an active Memorandum of Understanding with the hospital charity, meeting with them as required to support joint hospital projects. Regular engagement with Lancashire County Council registrars has enabled ongoing discussions around funding for certificates, ensuring families receive timely and compassionate support. We also hold routine check-ins with Run4Charity to coordinate participation in events and maximise fundraising opportunities. In addition, our partnerships with Maggie's Stillbirth Legacy and Blackburn Rovers Community Trust have further expanded our reach, allowing us to work closely together through regular meetings and shared initiatives that enhance the support available to bereaved families.
Other		

## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Friends Of Serenity
Other name the charity uses	FOS
Registered charity number	1157866
Charity's principal address	Friends of Serenity PO BOX 194 Darwen

**Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

	<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Office (if any)</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	<b>Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)</b>
1	Joanne Edwards	CEO		
2	Mark Edwards			
3	Elizabeth Norbury			
4	Lisa Brown			
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**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

<b>Director name</b>		
Joanne Edwards		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
Joanne Edwards		

## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
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
	<b>Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)</b>		

### Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

### Other optional information

## Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

	<b>Signature(s)</b>		
	<b>Full name(s)</b>		
	<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>		
	<b>Date</b>		

## Friends of Serenity — Receipts & Payments Account | Year Ended 31 August 2025

### Friends of Serenity | Charity No. 1157866

Receipts and Payments Account for the year 1 September 2024 to 31 August 2025

Description	Amount (£)
<b>A1 RECEIPTS (INCOME)</b>	
Donations	40,464.54
Interest	353.40
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>40,817.94</b>
<b>A2 PAYMENTS (EXPENSES)</b>	
Purchases	18,706.54
Just Giving Fees	514.80
PayPal Fee	82.43
PO Box Fee	246.60
123 Reg	280.46
Bank Fee	57.00
Rent	1,852.38
Entry Fees	3,579.50
Sponsorship	350.00
Travel & Accommodation	134.00
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>25,803.71</b>
<b>NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	
<b>Net Receipts less Payments</b>	<b>15,014.23</b>
<b>B1 CASH FUNDS</b>	
Opening Balance (1 Sep 2024)	23,504.43
— Current Account	2,734.89
— Savings Account	20,662.03
— PayPal	107.51
<b>Closing Balance (31 Aug 2025)</b>	
— Current Account	2,989.48
— Savings Account	35,165.12
— PayPal	504.04
<b>Total Closing Balance</b>	<b>38,658.64</b>



**Report to the trustees/ members  
of**

Charity Name  
Friends of Serenity

**On accounts for the year ended**

31 August 2025

**Charity no  
(if any)**

1157866

**Set out on pages**

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

**Responsibilities and basis of  
report**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 August 2025**.

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 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.

**Signed:**

L. Buckingham

**Date:**

10.06.2026

**Name:**

Laura Buckingham

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

ACCA

**Address:**

Flat 4, 171b Gipsy Road, London, SE27 9QT

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.**

**FRIENDS OF SERENITY**

England & Wales - Charity number 1157866

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# Accounts

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CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **01.09.2023**                      Period start date    Period end **31.08.2024**  
date

Charity name: **Friends Of Serenity**

Charity registration number: **1157866**

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<b>To support and assist the provision of facilities at East Lancs Women and Newborn Centre not normally provided by the trust/nhs, providing support for bereaved families and those in subsequent pregnancies.</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>This financial year our 'Tree of Life' sculpture continued to be worked on. The foundations were implemented in the ground sof 'The women and newborn centre' and the tree and blossomes were made, fabricated and treated. Our service continued to provide our memory box and keepsakes. These are consistently and continuously on offer to all our babyloss families within East Lancashire. We also provided reinbow boxed to families on subsequent pregnancies.</b>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<b>Whilst setting the activities undertaken and planned these have been in line with our objectives. We have given consideration to the guidance from charity commissions and consulted with professionals for 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	<b>N/A</b>

Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	<b>Our volunteers have continued to support us within memory box and keepsake making events, which take place at our storate unit. Volunteers have created their own fundraisers and participates in races and events which we access via 'Run4charity'</b>
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>We had manage to raise fund over the previous and this financial year to secure funds. We started the work, preparing the foundations, making the parts of the tree sculpture. We started to collate names form our families for the babies that would go onto the tree. With our service of memory making we have seen an increase in losses in East Lancashire. This has meant we have provided even more keepsakes thank in previous years. This are greatly received by our beneficiaries as they allow our families to create cherished memories. We have collaborated with Lancashire County council to directly fund birth and stillbirth certificates, to take the burden away from parents at the most difficult time.</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	<b>Donations from the public have helped us support and hit targets to ensure we have been able to support the hospital improve their services and maintain our offer of memory boxes, rainbow boxes and keepsakes. This has also meant we</b>
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		have reached our target to get the Tree sculture in place.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	<b>This year as we have been part of 'Run4charity' we have seen an increase in families participating in events for us. The have all set fundraising targets and reached their goals. The participants set these targets to contribute to our projects. Those that raised over £1000 were able to put forward a dedication for large blsomms and all other fundraisers were given the option of a blossom for the tree when it would be installed.</b>
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>There has been a huge focus on the tree and that has been our aim this year. This has meant we have secured funds for this but means we still need to work hard to replenish funds. We aim to always keep reserves for security of the charity.</b>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<b>Reserves are help in place so that we can ensure we continue to create our keepsakes and memory boxes, provision of books and stillbirth certificates.</b>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<b>£10,000</b>
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
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	<b>Our principal sources of fundraising have come from fundraising platform Just Giving and Enthuse. We frequently receive donations form families following a funeral for their baby or if they have created an event.</b>
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	<b>N/A</b>
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	<b>All the trustees support the charity in a voluntary capacity, working ful time elsewhere, therefore, completing paperwork, driving the charity socials and profile forward as well as maintaining our continuous supply of keepsakes can be challenging at times.</b>
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	<b>Trust Deed</b>
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	<b>Trustees /Trust</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>Appointed by Joanne Edwards Founder and consultation of trustees.</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	<b>Trustee's participate in Teams meetings, group meetings and webinars from charity's and fundraising platforms.</b>
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	<b>The charity is a board of trustees. The trusts bereavement midwife supports charity decisions as well as the head of midwifery and health at East Lancashire hospital trust, inline with the hospitals quality and infection control and hospital policies.</b>
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	<b>We have an MOU with the hospital charity to support with hospital projects and meet with them when necessary. Meet with Lancashire county council registrars about funding fir certificates. Regular meetings and check ins with Run for charity.</b>
Other		

### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Friends Of Serenity
Other name the charity uses	FOS
Registered charity number	1157866

Charity's principal address	Friends of Serenity PO BOX 194 Darwen

**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	Joanne Edwards	CEO		
2	Mark Edwards			
3	Elizabeth Norbury			
4	Rosanna Strachan			
5	Lisa Brown			
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**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

<b>Director name</b>		
<b>Joanne Edwards</b>		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
<b>Joanne Edwards</b>		

**Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others**

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
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)	Joanne Edwards	
Full name(s)	Joanne Marie Edwards	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CEO	
Date	27/06/2025	

Friends of Serenity	1157866		
<b>Receipts and payments accounts</b>			
For the period from	1 September 2023	To	31 August 2024
<b>CC16a</b>			

**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>					
Donations	31,835			31,835	53,590
Interest	589				34
<b>Sub total(Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>32,424</b>			<b>31,835</b>	<b>53,624</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
<b>Sub total</b>					
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>32,424</b>			<b>31,835</b>	<b>53,624</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
PURCHASES	56,167			56,167	11,009
JUST GIVING FEES	562			562	245
ENTRY FEES	1,457			1,457	2,997
PAYPAL FEE	36			36	22
PO BOX FEE	454			454	219
123 REG	361			361	266
SPONSORSHIP	350			350	94
BANK FEE	61			61	1,518
RENT	1,695			1,695	17,171
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>61,142</b>			<b>61,142</b>	<b>17,171</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
<b>Sub total</b>					
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>61,142</b>			<b>61,142</b>	<b>17,171</b>

Net of receipts/(payments)	28,718
Cash funds this year end	23,504

-	29,307
-	52,223
-	22,916

36,453
15,804
52,257

**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>	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>Current</td> <td>2,735</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Savings</td> <td>20,662</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Paypal</td> <td>108</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Total cash funds</b></td> <td><b>23,504</b></td> </tr> </table> <p>(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))</p>	Current	2,735	Savings	20,662	Paypal	108	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>23,504</b>			
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Savings	20,662											
Paypal	108											
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>23,504</b>											
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Details											
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	Details											
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Details											
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Details											

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

*M. Edwards*  
*J. Edwards*

Print Name

MARK EDWARDS  
JOANNE EDWARDS

Date of approval

29/06/25  
29/06/25



**Report to the trustees/ members of**

**On accounts for the year ended**  **Charity no (if any)**

**Set out on pages**  (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 August 2024**.

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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 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
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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.

**Signed:**

**Date:**

**Name:**

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

ACCA

**Address:**

Flat 4, 171b Gipsy Road, London, SE27 9QT

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**FRIENDS OF SERENITY**

England & Wales - Charity number 1157866

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# Accounts

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CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01.09.2022                      Period start date    Period end 31.08.2023  
date

Charity name: Friends Of Serenity

Charity registration number: 1157866

### Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<b>To support and assist the provision of facilities at East Lancs Women and Newborn Centre not normally provided by the trust/nhs, providing support for bereaved families and those in subsequent pregnancies.</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>This financial year as seen us continue to provide our memory box and keepsake service. These are consistently on offer to all our babyloss families within East Lancashire. Our primary focus this year has been planning a fundraising project to create a 4metre high tree sculpture. This project look 6 months to plan, seeing the fundraising officially launch in July 2022. With our charity hitting 10 years since we were first established, we applied for more places than usual within running events which saw a greater income for the charity. We also had a huge donation from a local truck run who supported us celebrate our 10<sup>th</sup> year.</b>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<b>Whilst setting the activities undertaken and planned these have been in line with our objectives. We have given consideration to the guidance form charity commission and consulted with professionals for 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	<b>N/A</b>

Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	<b>Our volunteers have continued to support us within memory box and keepsake making events. We also had a cheer station as part of the LLHM where volunteers helped cheer on participants. We had a number of volunteers support with bucket collections as part of the Ribble Valley truck run. We also had a local PR company choose us as their charity of the year, donating their time to publicise our tree project and gather the local press and radio stations to raise the profile of the project.</b>
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>We made it to ten years this year and celebrated by successfully participating in high profile races such as the Manchester 10k and LLHM. These saw up to 30 Participants raising money for us which has seen a large increase in our income. We haven't had a huge spending year due to planning and launching out tree project. This meant we had to local an artist and the right trades to support the project and also mean following policy and procedures in like with the East Lancs hospitals trust. The tree project has been planned and we work hard to raise the funds. We also had a few families donate larger quantities to support the project in memory of their baby. The truck run was run by volunteers and was a hige success seeing over 100 trucks participate and donate We continue our work with our memory boxes which is our most valued work. This means we can support our families</b>

		<p>remember their babies at the most heart breaking time.</p> <p>All our fundraising efforts will maintain our day today expenditure of memory boxes, still birth certificates, literature for our families but the most part will be saved to help us reach the total for the tree.</p>
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**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p><b>Donations from the public have helped us support and hit targets to ensure we have been able to support the hospital improve their services and maintain our offer of memory boxes, rainbow boxes and keepsakes.</b></p>
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p><b>We had 10 participants within the London Landmark half marathon which provided over 6000pounds in donations</b></p> <p><b>The Ribble Valley Truck run saw in acces of 9000pounds</b></p> <p><b>We have 15 runners within the Manchester 10k and all participants reaches and exceeded fundraising targets of 250.</b></p>
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>Due to working hard at our fundraising with support from the local PR company we have been able to raise our charity profile to help increase fundraising. This sees the charity is a secure Financial position.</b>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<b>Reserves are help in place so that we can ensure we continue to create our keepsakes and memory boxes and help build the total for out tree project which will lcome to fruition in 2024.</b>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<b>£20,000</b>
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
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	<b>Our principal sources of fundraising have come from fundraising platform Just Giving. We did also receive some large donations from families wanting to donate towards the tree and the Ribble Valley truck run was also a huge financial boost this year.</b>
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	<b>N/A</b>
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	<b>Time can be difficult for the trustees to complete any work such as memory boxes, paper work for participants in races etc as all trustees work full time elsewhere and off their time for free in their spare time.</b>
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	<b>Trust Deed</b>
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	<b>Trustees /Trust</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>Appointed by Joanne Edwards Founder and consultation of trustees.</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	<b>Trustee's participate in Teams meetings, group meetings and webinars from charity's and fundraising platforms.</b>
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	<b>The charity is a board of trustees. The trusts bereavement midwife supports charity decisions as well as the local hospital charity ELHT and Me in accordance with the hospitals quality and infection control and hospital policies.</b>
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	<b>We have an MOU with the hospital charity to support with hospital projects and meet with them when necessary.</b>
Other		

### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Friends Of Serenity
Other name the charity uses	FOS
Registered charity number	1157866
Charity's principal address	Friends of Serenity PO BOX 194 Darwen



**Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

	<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Office (if any)</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	<b>Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)</b>
1	Joanne Edwards	CEO		
2	Mark Edwards			
3	Elizabeth Norbury			
4	Rosanna Strachan			
5	Lisa Brown		15 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	
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**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

<b>Director name</b>		
<b>Joanne Edwards</b>		

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

<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	
<b>Joanne Edwards</b>		

### Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
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
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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

<b>Signature(s)</b>	Joanne Edwards	
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Joanne Marie Edwards	
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	CEO	
<b>Date</b>	23/06/2023	

**YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023**

	£	£
<b>DONATIONS</b>		53,590.03
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
PURCHASES	11,809.49	
JUST GIVING FEES	244.80	
CHARITY ENTRY FEES	2,997.00	
PAYPAL FEES	21.89	
PO BOX FEE	219.00	
WEBSITE FEES	266.06	
BANK FEES	94.40	
RENT	1,518.40	
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INTEREST		33.60
<b>SURPLUS</b>		<u><u>36,452.59</u></u>



**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/ members of**

Charity Name  
Friends of Serenity

**On accounts for the year ended**

31 August 2023

**Charity no  
(if any)**

1157866

**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 August 2023**.

**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 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.

**Signed:** *L. Burns*

**Date:** 24.06.2024

**Name:** Laura Burns

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

ACCA

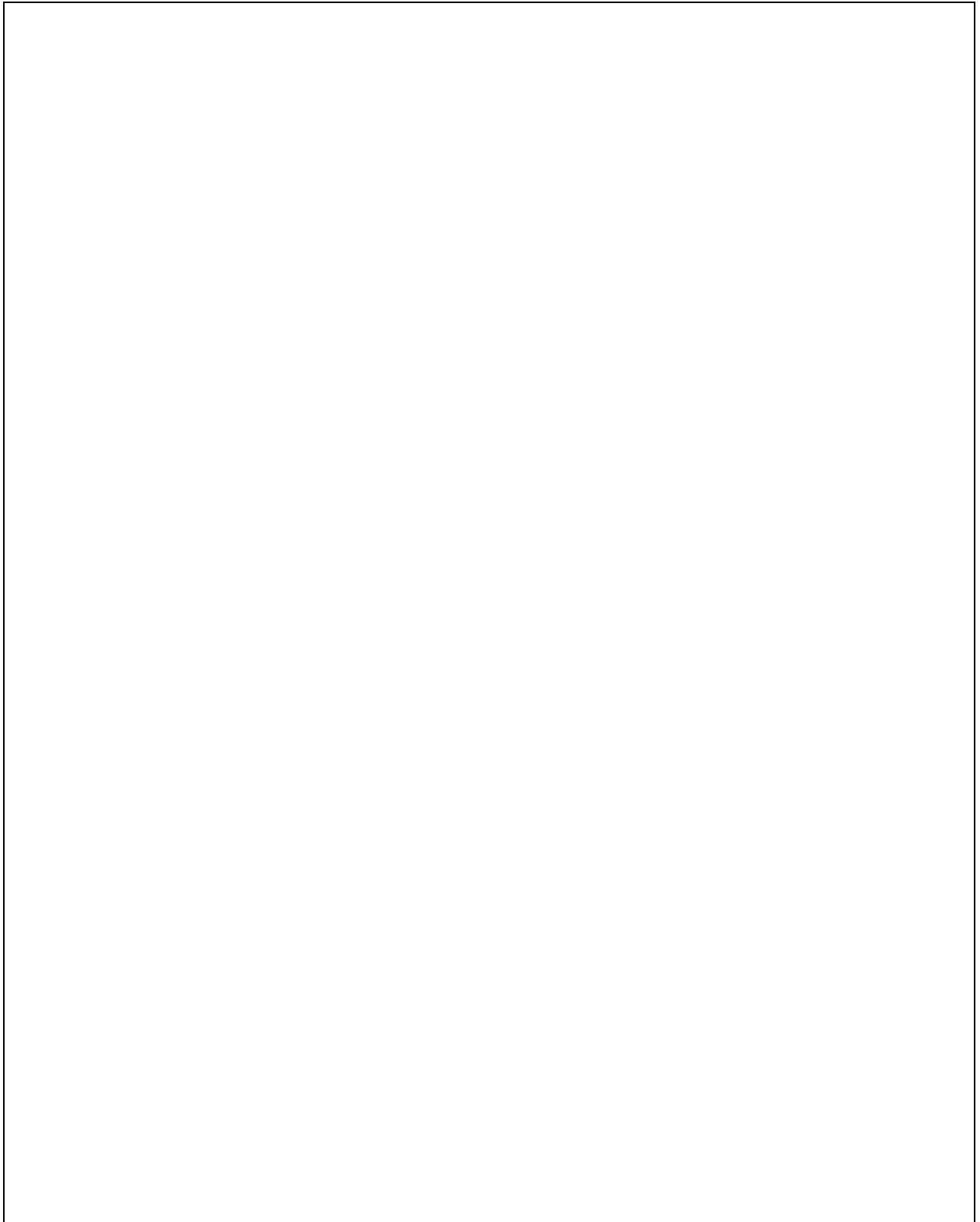
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**Section B**

**Disclosure**

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**FRIENDS OF SERENITY**

England & Wales - Charity number 1157866

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# Accounts

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## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01.09.2020  
date

Period start date Period end 31.08.2021

Charity name: Friends Of Serenity

Charity registration number: 1157866

### Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<b>To support and assist the provision of facilities at East Lancs Women and Newborn Centre not normally provided by the trust/nhs, providing support for bereaved families and those in subsequent pregnancies.</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>Over the last financial year we have continued and extended our services with keepsake and memory boxes. We have continued to provide and develop our Rainbow boxes for families who go onto a subsequent baby after loss. We have also funded another year of Mama academy passports to the trust to empower all women in pregnancy with information. We also provided funding for decorative sky lights in the bereavement suites as well as scanning rooms in rainbow clinic. Work was predominately focussed on memory boxes and keepsakes due to the COVID 19 pandemic.</b>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<b>Whilst setting the activities undertaken and planned these have been in line with our objectives. We have given consideration to the guidance from charity commission and consulted with professionals for 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	<b>N/A</b>
	Para 1.38	<b>N/A</b>

Policy on social investment including program related investment		
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	<b>Our volunteers contributed towards memory box making pre Covid 19, which is organised by the charity. Volunteers have also attended events put on by donators to support them through cheer stations.</b>
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>We have continued to support all beneficiaries through the provision of keepsakes and memory boxes, allowing them to make valuable memories. We have continued to fund postal orders to provide birth and death certificates after loss and also specialist books. This year our fundraising turned to supporting with the transition to MAMA Academy passports to empower mothers with information about their pregnancy. We raised money through walks during lock downs and other sporting activities such as the Captain Tom 100 and January challenge. We used monies raised to purchase skylights to improve and make rooms at the hospital less clinical. Due to the ongoing COVID 19 we have been restricted in our services and kept a low profile.</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	<b>Donations from the public during COVID have helped us support and hit targets to ensure we have been able to support the hospital improve their services.</b>
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	<b>We had support from fundraisers completed at home during COVID 19, such as the January Challenge as well as the support from friends and family challenges.</b>

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>As the previous year, a steady flow of donations remain. We aim to always maintain a balance of £10,000 for security.</b>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<b>Reserves are help in place so that we can ensure we continue to create our keepsakes and memory boxes.</b>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<b>£2000</b>
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
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	<b>Like last year we had a significant donation from a family who recruited friends and family to a January challenge which boosted our funds significantly.</b>
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	<b>N/A</b>
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	<b>As he COVID 19 pandemic continued, it has meant we have not been able to have any gatherings or events for fundraising purposes and all items made for the hospital have had been produced in small socially distanced groups at our charity unit.</b>
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document ( <a href="#">trust deed</a> , <a href="#">royal charter</a> )	Para 1.25	<b>Trust Deed</b>
How is the charity constituted? (e.g <a href="#">unincorporated association</a> , <a href="#">CIO</a> )	Para 1.25	<b>Trustees /Trust</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>Appointed by Joanne Edwards Founder and consultation of trustees.</b>

### Additional information (optional)

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Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

### Reference and Administrative details

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Charity's principal address	PO BOX 194 Darwen



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Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
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### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

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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

<b>Signature(s)</b>	Joanne Edwards	
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Joanne Marie Edwards	
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	CEO	
<b>Date</b>	27/06/2022	

**YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021**

	£	£
<b>DONATIONS</b>		37,014.92
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
PURCHASES	45,101.72	
JUST GIVING FEES	216.00	
ADVERTISING	360.00	
PAYPAL FEES	69.94	
WEBSITE FEES	258.86	
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INTEREST		0.22
<b>SURPLUS</b>		<hr/> <b>- 8,991.38</b> <hr/>



**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/  
members of**

Charity Name  
Friends of Serenity

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

31 August 2021

**Charity no  
(if any)**

1157866

**Set out on pages**

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

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**Independent  
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**Signed:** *L. Burns*

**Date:** 26.06.2022

**Name:** Laura Burns

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

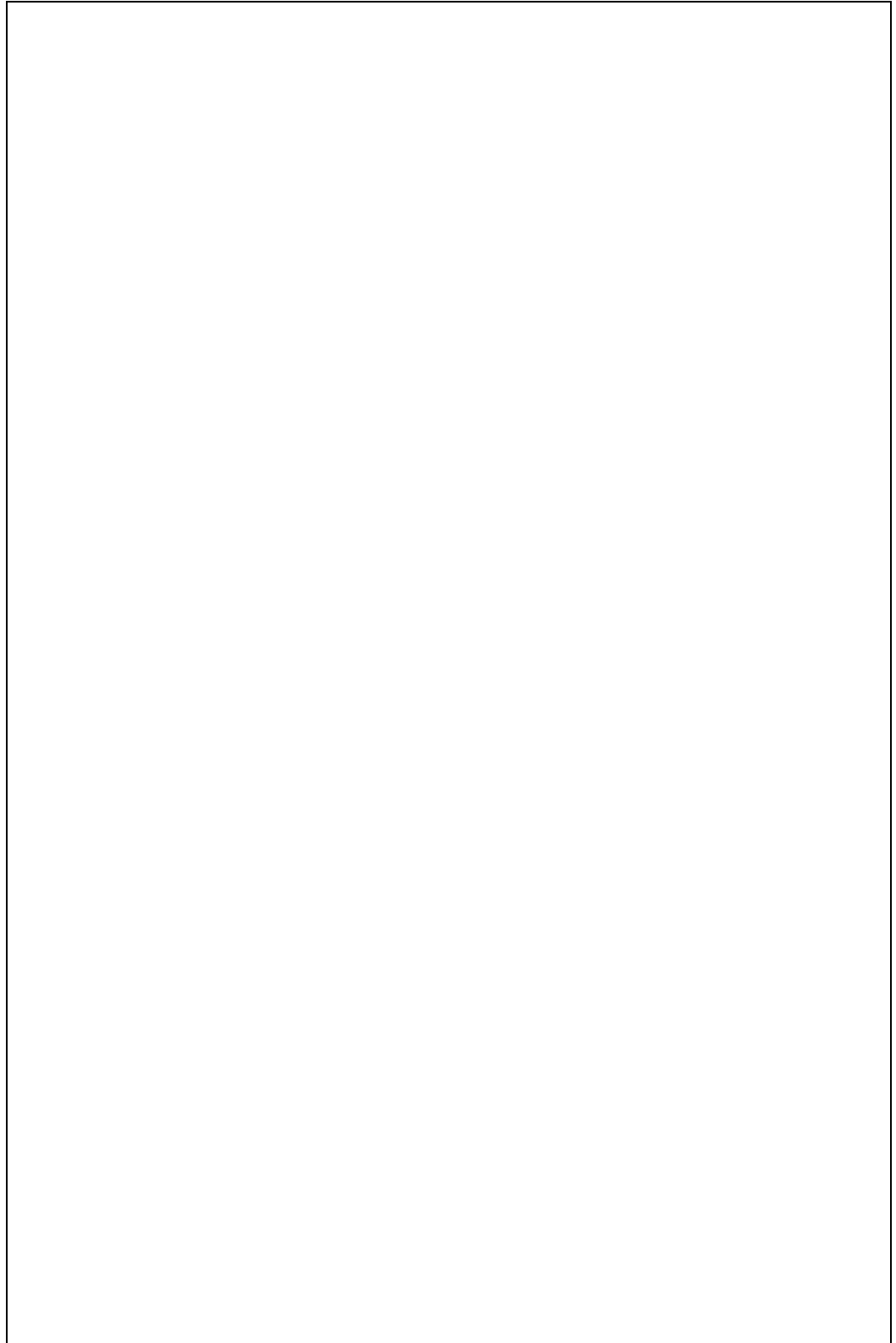
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**FRIENDS OF SERENITY**

England & Wales - Charity number 1157866

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# Accounts

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## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01.09.2019  
date

Period start date Period end 31.08.2020

Charity name: Friends Of Serenity

Charity registration number: 1157866

### Objectives and Activities

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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>Over the last financial year we have continued and extended our services with keepsake and memory boxes. We have also developed and created Rainbow boxes for families who go onto a subsequent baby after loss. We have also funded another year of Mama academy wallets to the trust to empower all women in pregnancy with information. We provided a laptop to the trust to support work in creating 3d casts. Due to COVID our work predominantly has been for work with the various keepsake.</b>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<b>Whilst setting the activities undertaken and planned these have been in line with our objectives. We have given consideration to the guidance form charity commission and consulted with professionals for public benefit.</b>

### Additional information (optional)

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	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	<b>N/A</b>
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Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	<b>Our volunteers contributed towards memory box making pre Covid 19, which is organised by the charity.</b>
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>We have continued to support all beneficiaries through the provision of keepsakes and memory boxes, allowing them to make valuable memories. We have continued to fund postal orders to provide birth and death certificates after loss and also specialist books. We provided a laptop to support the work undertaken with iMaker the previous year. We funded for another year MAMA Academy wallets to empower mothers with information about their pregnancy. Due to COVID 19 we have been unable to undertake further services.</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	<b>Donations from the public during COVID have helped us support and hit targets to ensure we have been able to launch our rainbow box project and continue with services in place.</b>
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	<b>We had support from fundraisers completed at home during COVID 19 as well as the support from friends and family challenges.</b>
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

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## Financial Review

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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	<b>This year we had a significant donation from a family who recruited friends and family to a January challenge which boosted our funds.</b>
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	<b>N/A</b>
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	<b>COVID 19 has meant we have not been able to have any gatherings or events for fundraising purposes and all items made for the hospital have had to be made individually at home and quarantined.</b>
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document ( <a href="#">trust deed</a> , <a href="#">royal charter</a> )	Para 1.25	<b>Trust Deed</b>
How is the charity constituted? (e.g <a href="#">unincorporated association</a> , <a href="#">CIO</a> )	Para 1.25	<b>Trustees /Trust</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>Appointed by Joanne Edwards Founder and consultation of trustees.</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	<b>Trustee's participate in Teams meetings, group meetings and webinars from charity's and fundraising platforms.</b>
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	<b>The charity is a board of trustees. The trusts bereavement midwife supports charity decisions.</b>
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Friends Of Serenity
Other name the charity uses	FOS
Registered charity number	1157866
Charity's principal address	44 Jack's Key Drive, Darwen. Lancashire BB32LG

**Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

	<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Office (if any)</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	<b>Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)</b>
1	Joanne Edwards	CEO		
2	Mark Edwards			
3	Elizabeth Norbury			
4	Roseanna Strachan			
5	Andrew Smale			
6	Stacey Molloy			
7	Natalie Oldham			
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**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

<b>Director name</b>		
Joanne Edwards		

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

<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	
Joanne Edwards		

## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
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
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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

<b>Signature(s)</b>	Joanne Edwards	
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Joanne Marie Edwards	
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	CEO	
<b>Date</b>	18/06/2021	



**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/  
members of**

Charity Name  
Friends of Serenity

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

31 August 2020

**Charity no  
(if any)**

1157866

**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 August 2020**.

**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 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.

**Signed:** *L. Burns*

**Date:** 20.06.21

**Name:** Laura Burns

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

ACCA

**Address:**

Flat 4, 171b Gipsy Road, London, SE27 9QT

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.**