



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01/04/24 Period start date

To 31/03/25 Period end date

Charity name: RED CYPHER

Charity registration number: 1161345

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	(1) To promote the efficiency of 3 RHA amongst other things, by: (a) Fostering Esprit de Corps, Comradeship, Morale and the Welfare of the Regiment and Preserving its Traditions. (b) Maintaining Comradeship and contact between past and present members of the Regiment, fostering mutual friendship between them and providing social gatherings for them. (2) To relieve either generally or individually, past and present members of the Regiment and their dependents, who are in conditions of need, hardship or distress.
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	Red Cypher promotes the Efficiency of 3rd Regiment Royal Horse Artillery (3 RHA) and prompt active support for serving members and veterans.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	All Trustees on appointment are made aware of the guidance issued by CC on public benefit.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	Covered in existing SOPs and in Grants Policy. All Grants are made following examination of a full application. Most are also scored using a standardised scoring template.

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	Red Cypher has supported the soldiers and veterans throughout the year, through the granting of funds for welfare and for the maintenance of morale and wellbeing of members both past and present.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	The Charity has met its objectives, despite the current financial pressures
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	The Charity has continued to attract donations and has launched a number of initiatives to raise funds including £3 for 3 rd and a 100 Club (Small Society Lottery) scheme.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	Investment performance has largely been in line with expectations with moderate returns, along with being a reflection of the current financial turbulence.

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The Charity remains in a good financial state
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The Charity maintains a reserve to assist with crises that from time-to time may affect the potential beneficiaries.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£10K
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	Currently considered by Trustees to be a going concern.

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	The charity raises money through Give as You Earn Scheme and Regular Monthly donations and one of donations from both veteran and serving community Regular soldier and officer donations. Veteran donations. 100 Club. £3 for 3 rd Scheme. Bequests. Collections at events.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy	Para 1.46	The Charity has a formal Investment Policy.

adopted		
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	An up to date Risk Register is maintained. Changes in the manning of the Regiment have caused some challenges, but these have been well managed by the Unit and the Trustees.

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		n/a
Type of governing document	Para 1.25	Constitution Document / Trust Deed
How is the charity constituted?	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	Trustees are drawn from the Serving Regiment (3 ex-officio appointments) and from the Veteran Community. All Trustees are given a welcome pack and are required to study the Charity Commission's "The Essential Trustee" and "Questions Trustees Should Ask". All Trustees are required to complete a "Fit and Proper Persons Form prior to appointment.

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	See above
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	The Charity works closely when appropriate with SSAFA, the Royal Artillery Charitable Fund and the Royal British Legion.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	The Charity works closely with the Serving Regiment, but has a independent governance structure.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	RED CYPHER
Other name the charity uses	n/a
Registered charity number	1161345
Charity's principal address	RHQ, 3rd Regiment Royal Horse Artillery Albemarle Barracks Ouston NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE NE15 0RF

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	Andrew Budd	Chairman		
2	Angela Fewster	Vice Chairman	Until 18/3/25	
3	David Howells	Vice Chairman		
4	Mike Webb	Hon. Treasurer		
5	Andrew Thorpe	Trustee		
6	Will Grace	Trustee		
7	Andrew Shedden	Trustee		
8	Patrick Armstrong	Trustee		
9	Steve Sinclair	Trustee		
10	Simon Howe	Trustee		
11	Jamie Forbes	Trustee	Until 16/3/25	
12	Fran Sykes	Trustee	From 31/3/25	

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
NIL	n/a	

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
NIL	n/a	

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
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Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

n/a

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)



Full name(s)

David Howells

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Vice Chairman

Date

20/11/2025



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RED CYPHER

1161345

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01/04/2024

To

31/03/2025

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					
Donations:	-	-	-	-	-
Payroll giving	45,232	-	-	45,232	45,602
Voluntary (tax efficient)	1,693	-	-	1,693	7,712
Voluntary	9,822	-	-	9,822	9,560
Fund raising events	9,315	-	-	9,315	12,467
Returned grant	-	-	-	-	531
Bank interest	50	-	-	50	56
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	66,112	-	-	66,112	75,928
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	66,112	-	-	66,112	75,928
A3 Payments					
3rd Royal Horse Artillery grants	36,176	-	-	36,176	36,472
Other grants	9,207	-	-	9,207	15,090
Cost of fund raising events	6,830	-	-	6,830	10,898
SSL Club prize payment	369	-	-	369	236
Bank fees and charges	1,548	-	-	1,548	1,688
Website and computer	528	-	-	528	326
Stationery and other expenses	108	-	-	108	107
Accountancy	600	-	-	600	540
Data protection fee	47	-	-	47	80
Insurance	-	-	-	-	96
Travel Trustees	-	-	-	-	48
Travel Standard Bearer	-	-	-	-	1,782
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	55,413	-	-	55,413	67,363
A4 Asset and investment					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	55,413	-	-	55,413	67,363
Net of receipts/(payments)	10,699	-	-	10,699	8,565
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	30,290	-	-	30,290	21,725
Cash funds this year end	40,989	-	-	40,989	30,290

Section B Statement of assets and li

Categories

Details

Unrestricted
funds
to nearest £Restricted
funds
to nearest £Endowment
funds
to nearest £

B1 Cash funds

CafCash Account
United Trust Bank

30,989
10,000
-
40,989

-
-
-
-

-
-
-
-

Total cash funds
(agree balances with receipts and payments
account(s))

OK

OK

OK

Unrestricted
funds
to nearest £Restricted
funds
to nearest £Endowment
funds
to nearest £

B2 Other monetary assets

Details

-
-
-
-
-
-

-
-
-
-
-
-

-
-
-
-
-
-

B3 Investment assets

Details

The Royal Artillery Institution

Fund to which
asset belongs

Brewin Dolphin Fund

Cost (optional)

40,000
-
-
-
-

Current value
(optional)

42,341
-
-
-
-

B4 Assets retained for the
charity's own use

Details

Fund to which
asset belongs

Cost (optional)

-
-
-
-
-
-
-
-

Current value
(optional)

-
-
-
-
-
-
-
-

B5 Liabilities

Details

Creditors

Fund to which
liability relates

Unrestricted

Amount due
(optional)

600
-
-
-
-

When due
(optional)

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

Signature

David Howells


Print Name

David Howells
Mike Webb

Date of approval

25.11.2025
20/09/25



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name

RED CYPHER

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 MARCH 2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

1161345

Set out on pages

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT PAGES 1 AND 2

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **DD / MM / YYYY**.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed: Julian Wyncoll

Date: 20/09/2025

Name: Julian Wyncoll

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

ICAEW

Address:

Scrutton Bland, 820 The Crescent, Colchester Business Park,
Colchester, Essex, CO4 9YQ

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.