



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01/06/2023 To 31/05/2024

Charity name: Polish School Amersham

Charity registration number: 1162078

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The objects of the CIO are to advance education for the public benefit in Polish language, culture, tradition, and heritage, in particular within the Polish Community in Amersham and the surrounding areas.
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 main activities offered by our organisation is teaching Polish and Polish culture through Polish Saturday School. Classes take place on Saturdays between the hours of 9:30 and 13:00. These classes are held during term time in classrooms rented from Amersham School. The classes are open to children of our members.</p> <p>The organisation also organises or co-organises local events with the local Polish church, the Polish scouts and/or Polish ex-combatants to celebrate Polish cultural dates of importance. Examples include Harvest Festival, Independence Day, Christmas, 3rd May Constitution celebration day. These events are open to everyone to attend. The school also organises other activities for the benefit of the students, such as trips to the theatre, museums and gatherings of other Polish schools.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
		N/A
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
		N/A
Policy on social investment including program related	Para 1.38	

investment

Contribution made by
volunteers

Para 1.38

There is no monetary contribution. The
volunteers contribute by giving their time,
effort and initiative.

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

The number of the children attending classes
has decreased. This was due to a large cohort
of students leaving the school on completion
of their exams last year (GCSE and A level).
However, the school remains popular within
the Polish community - parents continue to
recommend our school to others.

School attendance has been monitored
regularly and has been good. The attendance
during special celebrations events/ assemblies
has been good. There is no extra charge for
participating in school trips therefore these
were popular and well attended.

No issue with teacher vacancies this year. The
teachers are enthusiastic and happily take part
in training sessions and workshops.

One teacher received "A gold award for
contribution to Polish education abroad" from
the Polish Educational Society, London, UK.

Teachers continue to seek full time
employment within the education system, the
school provides them with references and the
required experience.

The co-operation with the local host school
continues to be beneficial for both parties
although the rent has been on the increase
over the past few years.

The school budgets appropriately. The
amount fundraised by parents increased this
year. Parents were more engaged in the school
life, the Christmas Fair proved very popular.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where
relevant about:

Achievements against
objectives set

Para 1.41

An adequate number of children, very
good exam results

Members fundraising goals achieved

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 As costs and expenditure increased, the
school had to draw on reserves.

Statement explaining the
policy for holding reserves
stating why they are held

Para 1.22 See above

Amount of reserves held

Para 1.22 £16,937

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)

Membership fees, donations made by
members, donations from the Polish
educational organisations, regular
fundraising

Para 1.47

N/A

Investment policy and
objectives including any
social investment policy
adopted

Para 1.46

Increase in costs and expenditure

A description of the
principal risks facing the
charity

Para 1.46

Other



Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's
trusts:

Para 1.25

Type of governing document
(trust deed, royal charter)

Constitution

How is the charity constituted?

Para 1.25 CIO

(e.g. unincorporated association, 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 Retirement as per constitutional provisions, nominations and election to post.

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

Trustees
School's headteacher

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

Polish School Amersham

Other name the charity uses

Polska Szkoła Przedmiotów Ojczystych im. Św. Józefa w Amersham

Registered charity number

1162078

Charity's principal address

c/o Amersham School
Stanley Hill
Amersham, Bucks.
HP7 9HH



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	Dariusz Seroczynski		20/06/2023	AGM
2	Magdalena Olszewska		20/06/2023	AGM
3	Dominika Cichosz		20/06/2023	AGM
4	Adam Kusmierk			AGM

5				
6				
7				
8				
9				
10				
11				
12				
13				
14				
15				
16				
17				
18				
19				
20				

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

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)		

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		
Signature(s)	M. OLSEWSKA	
Full name(s)	MARDALENA OLSEWSKA	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)		
Date	23.07.2024	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Polish School Amersham

No (if any)

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

Period start date
01/06/2023

To

Period end date
31/05/2024

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					
School fees	21,888	-	-	21,888	21,495
Gift aid reclaimed	-	-	-	-	1,642
Donations & fundrasing	5,868	-	-	5,868	6,570
Exams fees	977	-	-	977	-
Funds for teachers training	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous receipts	1,172	-	-	1,172	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	29,906	-	-	29,906	29,707
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	29,906	-	-	29,906	29,707
A3 Payments					
Rent	9,798	-	-	9,798	8,769
Insurance	394	-	-	394	329
Teachers salaries	17,158	-	-	17,158	12,853
Discount on school fees	1,520	-	-	1,520	1,742
Teachers conferences	-	-	-	-	-
Learning materials, art & crafts	1,209	-	-	1,209	1,442
Other miscellaneous payments	3,520	-	-	3,520	2,349
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	33,598	-	-	33,598	27,484
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	33,598	-	-	33,598	27,484
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 3,691	-	-	- 3,691	2,224
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	20,628	-	-	20,628	-
Cash funds this year end	16,937	-	-	16,937	2,224

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash	435	-	
	Bank account	16,502	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	16,937	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			


	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets			-	19,714
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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 liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	M. OLSEWSKA	15/11/2025



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

POLISH SCHOOL AMERSHAM

On accounts for the year
ended

31/05/2024

Charity no
(if any)

1162078

Set out on pages

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/05/2024

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

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

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

Signed:

Stella Stepien

Date:

30/07/2024

Name:

STELLA STEPEN

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body

(if any):

Address:

6 ORCHARD PARK

HOLMER GREEN

HP15 6 QY

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.

