



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1/11/22
Period end date

Period start date To 31/10/23

Charity name: Alford Focal Point

Charity registration number: 11628899

Objectives and Activities

| | SORP reference | |
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| Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document | Para 1.17 | To establish and operate a community library for Alford in conjunction with Lincolnshire County Council and their agents and Alford Town Council. To create a community resource centre to enhance the promotion of education and social welfare within the community. |
| Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts. | Para 1.17 and 1.19 | The operation of the community library for at least 12 hours each week Free hire of the library area for community groups, including Alford Town Promotions, a book club, a music group, war games, bridge club , mahjong club and a warm spot for the elderly and vulnerable in the community. The first floor rooms are used by the Town Council and Alford Hub. |
| Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit | Para 1.18 | The trustees have read the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit and have paid due regard to it in managing its activities throughout the period of this report. |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

| | SORP reference | |
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| Policy on grant making | Para 1.38 | |

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| Policy on social investment including program related investment | Para 1.38 | |
| Contribution made by volunteers | Para 1.38 | |
| Other | | |

Achievements and Performance

| | SORP reference | |
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| 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 | Regular opening of the library in partnership with GLL, Lincolnshire County Council and Alford Town Council Recruitment of volunteers from the community to run the library More community groups using the library space Activities for children - Summer Reading Challenge, story telling and craft activities |

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 | |

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| Investment performance against objectives | Para 1.41 | |
| Other | | |

Financial Review

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| Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period | Para 1.21 | |
| Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held | Para 1.22 | The charity will aim to have in reserve such amount as is required to ensure continued operation for up to 18 months. This will ensure that in the event of Lincolnshire County Council withdrawing its annual grant there will be adequate time to apply to other grant funders. New windows and new heating boiler will have to be funded by our reserve fund. |
| Amount of reserves held | Para 1.22 | £74,352.07 |
| 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:

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| The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising) | Para 1.47 | |
| Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted | Para 1.46 | |
| A description of the principal risks facing the charity | Para 1.46 | |
| Other | | |

Structure, Governance and Management

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| Description of charity's trusts: | | |
| Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter) | Para 1.25 | CIO Foundation Model Constitution as filed with the Charity Commission |
| 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 | By existing trustees |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| 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

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| Charity name | Alford Focal Point |
| Other name the charity uses | |
| Registered charity number | 1162899 |

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| Charity's principal address | 6 South Market Place Alford Lincolnshire LN13 9AF |
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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) |
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| 1 | Elizabeth Ramm | Chair and volunteer co ordinator | | |
| 2 | Victoria Hynes | Vice Chair | | |
| 3 | Lucy Iaquaniello | Secretary | | |
| 4 | Kathryn Walsh | Treasurer | | |
| 5 | Richard Quantrell | | | |
| 6 | Andrew Taylor | | | |
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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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 | |
| 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

Signature(s)

E. G. Ramm

Full name(s)

Elizabeth Graham Ramm

Position (eg
Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

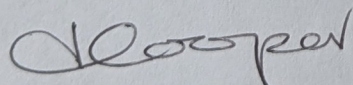
Date

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Alford Focal Point - Statement of Account
Financial Year 1 Nov 2022 - 31 Oct 2023

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| Income | | |
| Grants | £5,167.00 | |
| Monies from library services | £271.90 | |
| Total Income | £5,438.90 | |
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| Expenditure | | |
| Business rates | £320.00 | |
| Insurances | £1,616.91 | |
| TV licence | £158.82 | |
| other licences | £159.20 | |
| Photocopier rental | £28.08 | |
| activities | £461.44 | |
| Cleaning & sundries | £340.56 | |
| repairs and refurb | £375.00 | |
| Total Expenditure | £3,460.01 | |
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| Opening Balance c/f from previous year | | £72,373.18 |
| Plus income | £5,438.90 | |
| Minus Outgoings | -£3,460.01 | |
| Closing Balance 31 Oct 2023 | | £74,352.07 |
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| Bank Balance as at 31 October 2023 | £74,536.68 | |
| (minus unpresented cheques 190 & 193) | -£184.61 | 74,352.07 |

Accounts to my knowledge are complete and correct;

signed: 

Dated: 24/7/24