



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' annual report (including Directors' report) for the period

From: 1st October 2019 To: 30th September 2021

Charity name: Room To Learn

Charity registration number: 1165428

Company number: N/A

Objectives and activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To advance education and relieve poverty amongst children aged 3-15 for public benefit, primarily but not exclusively in India, by the provision of school buildings, teachers, equipment, and transport to meet their educational needs.
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 focus of our activities is running an educational facility for below poverty line children in Kalimpong, West Bengal, India.</p> <p>In planning our activities Trustees have kept in mind the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	Yes

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 investment	Para 1.38	

Contribution made by volunteers

Para 1.38

All trustees give their time on a voluntary basis and receive no net remuneration or other benefits.

N/a

Other

Achievements and performance

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.		Room To Learn works with a number of existing schools in Kalimpong to provide education.
	Para 1.20	The charity has successfully continued to generate funds during the last 12 months.
		Room to Learn's website was developed in prior years to enable online gifting, which has made donating funds more accessible, and this is a growing source of our income – at least in terms of people choosing to donate via it.
		In an earlier year a small school bus was bought with the funds from a very generous supporter and continues to bring our children to school from further afield, and is particularly valuable in the rainy season.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	Achieved – the charity supported educational services for another year. The charity remains stable and able to continue due to the reserves held.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Achieved. However we wish to expand fundraising in future years and this will be a major focus point.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	Achieved – the charity still holds an appropriate and sustainable level of reserves.
Other		N/a

Financial review

Review of the charity's	Para 1.21	At 30 th September 2021 we held funds of
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financial position at the end of the period

£45,361, all of which is unrestricted funds.

These funds are held in order to meet planned expenditure for the running and expansion of the Kalimpong schools in coming years.

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

Para 1.22 We aim to hold at least 3 years planned expenditure in reserve

Amount of reserves held

Para 1.22 £45,361

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 N/a

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

Our main source of fund raising has been individual donations.

This would usually be boosted by a major fund-raising events during the year. Covid-19 restrictions meant that these were unable to occur. Whilst we were able to meet our fund-raising objectives it is difficult to know how much was 'missed'.

In the coming year, we are hopeful of raising additional funds through local events and broadening our supporter base.

N/a

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

Other

N/a

Structure, governance and management

Description of charity's trusts:

Type of governing document: for example, [trust deed](#), [memorandum and articles of association](#) etc

Para 1.25 Constitution (adopted 03/02/16)

How is the charity constituted?
for example [limited](#)

Para 1.25 CIO (charitable incorporated organisation)

company, 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 Trustees appointed by CEO once ratified by the Board of Trustees

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

N/a

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees

Para 1.51

N/a

The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works

Para 1.51

N/a

Relationship with any related parties

Para 1.51

N/a

Other

Reference and administrative details

Charity name Room To Learn
Other name the charity uses RTL / RTL UK
Registered charity number 1165428
Charity's principal address Manor Lodge
Old Minster Lovell
Witney
OX29 0RN

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	Ann Mills	Founder		
2	Des Mills	CEO		
3	John Fleming	Chair		
4	Jacques Honore	Secretary		
5	Stephen Bradshaw			
6	Tom Instone	Treasurer		

7	Jennifer Maxwell			
8	Brian Mills			
9	Corrina Whitfield			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name

N/a

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name Dates acted if not for whole year

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
N/a		
Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (optional information)		

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/a

Other optional information

N/a

Declarations

The company has taken advantage of the small companies' exemption in preparing the report above.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report (including directors' report) above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees/directors

Signature(s)

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Full name(s)

Position (for example
Secretary, Chair, etc)

Date

18. APRIL 2022