

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

September 2024

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 using pre-existing educational facilities 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	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/a
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	All trustees give their time on a voluntary basis and receive no net remuneration or other benefits.
Other		N/a

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity,	Para 1.20	<p>Room To Learn works with a number of existing schools in Kalimpong to provide education.</p> <p>The charity has successfully continued to generate funds during the last 12 months.</p>
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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>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.</p> <p>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.</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	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	We continue to operate within our fundraising abilities. During the year we were notified that two of our supporters have written Room To Learn into their wills.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	Achieved – the charity still holds an appropriate and sustainable level of reserves.
Other		N/a

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Financial review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	At 30 th September 2024 we held funds of £50,661, all of which is unrestricted funds. These funds are held in order to meet planned expenditure for the expansion of the Kalimpong schools and nearby areas 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	£50,661
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 The charity held its annual garden party which was again successful. The effects on income is likely to be impacted by the cost of living issues faced in the UK, which has recently become worse.
Investment policy and	Para 1.46	N/a

objectives including any social investment policy adopted		
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	N/a
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 company , unincorporated association , CIO	Para 1.25	CIO (charitable incorporated organisation)
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:

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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

	Minster Lovell
	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	Des Mills	CEO		
2	John Fleming	Chair		
3	Jacques Honore	Secretary		
4	Stephen Bradshaw			
5	Tom Gardner	Treasurer		
6	Jennifer Maxwell			
7	Brian Mills	Founder		
8	Corinna Whitfield			
9	Frances Mills	Treasurer		
10	Chris Hall		09/04/24	
11	Sarah Hall		09/04/24	
12	Elliot May		09/04/24	
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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) DBLM

Full name(s) Desmond Mills

Position (for example Secretary, Chair, etc) CEO

Date 01/03/25



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Room To Learn UK

No (if any)
1165428

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period		To	Period end date
from	01/10/2023		30/09/2024

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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					
	13181				
	-	-	-	13181	22897
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	13181	-	-	13181	22897
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	13181	-	-	13181	22897
A3 Payments					
	17982				
	-	-	-	17982	16134
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	17982	-	-	17982	16134
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	17982	-	-	17982	16134
Net of receipts/(payments)	(4801)	-	-		6763
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-		-
A6 Cash funds last year end	55462	-	-		48699
Cash funds this year end	50661	-	-		55462

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

Categories		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		50,661	-	-
	Total cash funds	OK	OK	OK
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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 asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		D B L Mills	D B L Mills	01/03/25