



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 31 March 2020 to 31 March 2021

Charity name: ABF Charitable Trust

Charity registration number: 1170155

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	Distribution of funds to charitable causes in the Alton area, per the constitution
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	Funds are received from the Alton Beer Festival events. These funds are then distributed by ABF Charitable Trust.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	Yes, confirmed.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	Yes, formal grant award policy in place.
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	Not applicable, no investments.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Volunteers contribute time only.
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	<p>The charity has awarded 5 grants to 5 separate local charities and worthy causes during the year.</p> <p>Each award was based on a written application, requiring a showing of need in the local area.</p> <p>Each application is judged against our grant policy and is primarily for a tangible item of expenditure.</p> <p>Some awards pay for training and counselling, which then yields benefits within the community.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	Met. We request proof of appropriate expenditure consist with award from all recipients. Impact monitored, objectives met.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Activities that raised the funds are via a separate entity.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	Not applicable.
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Note that the charity receives money from the Alton Beer Festival and distributes this to charitable causes in the Alton area, in accordance with its Constitution. As a result of Covid-19, the Alton Beer Festival could not hold any events. So no funds were raised, and ABFCT received £0 funds. It distributed £3290.50, however, when grant recipients from 2019-20 belatedly submitted overdue documents relating to grants awarded (but not distributed in part or in full) in 2019-20. These funds are held in a TSB bank account. There were no expenses in the period, and the charity has no other assets, liabilities or reserves.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We do not hold a reserve. It should be noted that a £25 float is held in the TSB bank account.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	We do not hold a reserve. It should be noted that a £25 float is held in the TSB bank account. A closing bank balance represents grant applications that have been allocated but not yet donated.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	There is no requirement to hold any reserves. The charity aims to distribute all the money it receives in the year of receipt, in order to benefit the community as soon as possible.
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	There are no deficits.
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	As a result of the coronavirus pandemic, no Alton Beer Festival events were held from 1st April 2020 through 31st March 2021. When Alton Beer Festival resumes its activities, and transfers funds to the charity, then the charity can resume distribution of grants. The charity will continue for as long as the Alton Beer festival is in existence, even if festivals—and thus the charity's active distribution of grants—must be put on hold in response to the pandemic.

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	All of the charity's income is from donations from the Alton Beer Festival, a separate entity.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	There are no investments.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The coronavirus pandemic has temporarily interrupted the Alton Beer Festival's activities as the charity's source of funds.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO (foundation)
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	Following a skills audit, six trustees formed this CIO. One trustee, Neil Sutherland, is completely uninvolved with any fundraising activities by Alton Beer Festival, ensuring objectivity. The other trustees range in professional backgrounds and areas of expertise.

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	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	The charity exists and functions completely independently from any other organisations, except for Alton Beer Festival, see below.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	The Alton Beer Festival volunteers put on two festivals and an Oktoberfest each year, donating all profits to the charity (in the absence of the coronavirus pandemic). That is the only relationship with any other party.
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	ABF Charitable Trust
Other name the charity uses	None
Registered charity number	1170155
Charity's principal address	Fairways Old Odiham Road Alton GU34 4BU

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	Louise Parker	Chair	Entire year	
2	Neil Sutherland	Treasurer	Entire year	
3	Lisa Hillan	Secretary	Entire year	
4	Nigel Hoppitt		Entire year	
5	Frank Norris		Entire year	
6	Andy Rickards		Entire year	

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

Director name		
None		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
None		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None.
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	Not applicable.
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	Not applicable.

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)

N/A

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Not applicable.

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

Full Name

Date

	
LOUISE CAROL PARKER	NEIL SUMNER
Chair	Treasurer
26 th January 2022	26 th January 2022



Alton Beer Festival

Drinking for Local Charities since 2002



ABF Charitable Trust

Statement of Accounts: 1 April 2020 through 31 March 2021

Income: Donations received from Alton Beer Festival events

Opening Balance – 1 st April 2020	£12,602.88
Income – donations received from Alton Beer Festival events	£0.00
Grant awards – breakdown below	£3,290.50
Closing Balance – 31 st March 2021	£9,312.38

Recipients of Grant Awards between 1 April 2020 and 31 March 2021:

Recipient	Requested	Grant Amount
3 rd Alton Scout Group	Winter 2020	£292.33
Broadlands RDA	Winter 2020	£1,800.00
Alton Cardiac Rehab	Winter 2020	£93.17
Holybourne Theatre	Summer 2019	£800.00
The Kings Arms Name Youth Project	Winter/Summer 2019	£305.00