



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01/04/2023 to 31/03/2024

Charity name: The Crossings

Charity registration number:1175115

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To relieve poverty in 'The Waterside' (an area west of Southampton Water) and the New Forest by providing support and relief to people who are homeless, who are at risk of homelessness, or otherwise vulnerable or marginalised by providing a drop-in centre and supporting and encouraging homeless people to move on to appropriate accommodation
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>Provide a drop-in facility staffed by trained volunteers and employed staff providing various types of support, including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ a welcoming space to talk with hot drink◦ internet connectivity, to assist guests in electronic form filling (e.g. Universal Credit) and in accessing further statutory or voluntary support◦ engaging with and encouraging church members and other volunteers to work with some of the most vulnerable people on The Waterside and in The New Forest without discrimination, expressing Christian compassion by practical support and in building supportive relationships. working alongside and in cooperation with existing agencies, both statutory and voluntary, who are involved with adults who are homeless or at risk of homelessness in the Waterside and New Forest area, together meeting the needs of these individuals.◦ supporting and encouraging homeless people to move on to appropriate accommodation, enabling them to work with agencies to secure more permanent accommodation.◦ arranging other events and activities in support of homeless people
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees confirm that they have operated "The Crossings" charity solely to meet the public benefit objectives listed above, complying with the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	

Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
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 operates three drop-in centres to provide a welcoming, non-judgemental space in which visitors can feel safe to explore their current issues and future possibilities. Services provided including help with Homeseach applications, housing benefits and Universal Credit. The Drop-ins are staffed by trained volunteers, under the supervision of a Project Leader.</p> <p>The charity's Drop-In At Home programme supports those who have recently moved into accommodation, who need support, encouragement and mentoring. This programme was conceived in dialogue with NFDC's Housing Options Team. The charity is providing direct support to those people who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless, including essential help in navigating government and local authorities' procedures, much of which has to provided online. The charity operates in close co-operation with New Forest District Council and other local organisations.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	The drop-in centres operate on a regular basis for almost every week of the year. One of the charity's drop-in centres is now operated on an appointment only basis. Attendance at another centre has significantly increased.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	The charity was successful in obtaining a grant from local government this year. The project leader and volunteers were very active in local fundraising event, which led to a significant increase in donations from individuals and local organisations.
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	The charity had the sum of £17984 on deposit at 31/03/2024 compared to £19138 at the end of the previous year. The balance at the end of 2023/24 includes grants for operations in 2024/25
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Reserves are only retained to support current and future activities. Reserves are intended to cover three month's costs.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£6000 at 31/03/2024
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)	Para 1.47	Grants from local and national organisations and charities Donations from individuals
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	None
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Obtaining funding to meet objectives Continuing to recruit and train sufficient volunteers to support clients
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
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	Appointed by trustees

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	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	The Crossings
Other name the charity uses	Formerly Waterside Churches Together Night Shelter
Registered charity number	1175115
Charity's principal address	Ivydene, Main Road Dibden Southampton SO45 5TB

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	Edgar Ruddock	Chair		Trustees
2	David Norbury			Trustees
3	David Yapp	Treasurer		Trustees
4	Leslie Sharpe	Secretary		Trustees
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

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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)

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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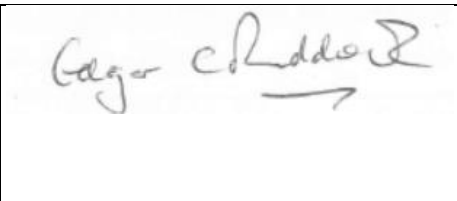
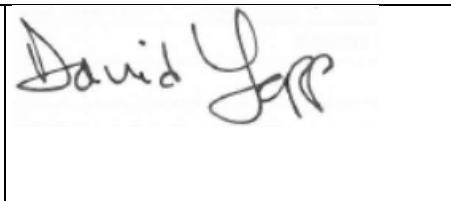
Other optional information

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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)		
Full name(s)	Edgar Chapman Ruddock	David Yapp
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Treasurer
Date	03/01/2025	03/01/2025



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The Crossings

No (if any)

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01/04/2023

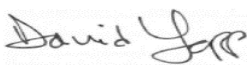

To

01/04/2024

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					
	16,758	-	-	16,758	33,024
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	16,758	-	-	16,758	33,024
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	16,758	-	-	16,758	33,024
A3 Payments					
Salary costs	15,702	-	-	15,702	15,954
Insurance/admin	286	-	-	286	279
travel expenses/purchases	1,924	-	-	1,924	2,457
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	17,912	-	-	17,912	18,690
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	17,912	-	-	17,912	18,690
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 1,154	-	-	- 1,154	14,334
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	19,138	-	-	19,138	4,804
Cash funds this year end	17,984	-	-	17,984	19,138

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 at bank	17,984	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	17,984	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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	
		David Yapp	20/01/2025	
		David Norbury	20/01/2025	