

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

		Period start date						Period end date		
		Day	Month	Year				Day	Month	Year
From		1	Apr	2020	To			31	Mar	2021

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Small Acts of Kindness

Other names charity is known by SAOK

Registered charity number (if any) 1175491

Charity's principal address Wellstead Cottage

Chantlers Hill

Paddock Wood, Kent

Postcode TN12 6LX

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	Peter Danby	Chair		
2	Edward Barsley	Treasurer		
3	John Cooper			
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	CIO Foundation Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by resolution passed at a meeting of charity trustees

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

The charity remains small and based on voluntary work. We have established policies for:

- Induction and briefing of volunteers, including child protection procedures
- Risk assessment

We continue to work with the principle of engaging with local charities, schools and NGOs.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To help young people anywhere in the world impacted by poverty or conflict by providing directly, or through local authorities, voluntary and other organisations, especially but not exclusively:

- Leadership Development and Life Skills Programmes.
- Teaching, Facilitation and Coaching Projects, Grants and Sponsorship.
- Micro-financing of small business projects, community and sporting

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

projects.

So as to develop their capabilities that they may grow to full maturity as individuals and members of society.

Our original application for charitable status stated:

We run leadership/life skills programmes using sport (rugby, football and cricket) as the vehicle for the learning and development process. We invite volunteers to support the projects and we base our work on local organisations - schools, church, other NGOs - to help with logistics and to ensure lasting impact. In each country we are building a cohort of coaches and facilitators to assist and, eventually, run the programmes.

The Covid19 pandemic has significantly and adversely impacted on the charity's work this financial year with travel prohibitions and a variety of lockdowns for the majority of the year.

A donation was made to Church of America Ceylon Mission for sponsorship of Sri Lankan students attending university.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Grant making. We have had applications for grants to support charitable ventures. Any funds must be used to support projects aligned with the charity's purpose.

Volunteers are central to the Small Acts of Kindness philosophy. We have no full or part-time employed staff and rely on volunteers to run all our projects and the administration of the charity.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The pandemic prevented our charity from undertaking its normal activities. A donation was made to the Church of America Ceylon Mission through Tamil Aid to support the work they do enabling students to attend university.

Despite the pandemic the group 'Lead to Lead' in Sri Lanka continue to initiate and run projects in the local community and this is now self-funding.

One of the trustees continued to support small projects in Rwanda to enable the work to continue but this has been on a personal basis rather than through Small Acts of Kindness.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The current funds in the charity's bank account will be used to continue the work outlined above.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Not applicable.

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F

Other optional information

We applied to a government fund for small charities focusing on overseas development for a grant of £40,000 to support an Inspire project in Rwanda. As the bid reached the final stage of review, the fund was closed down as a result of the impact of Covid on the economy.

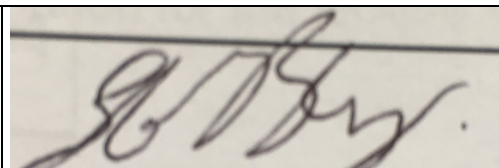
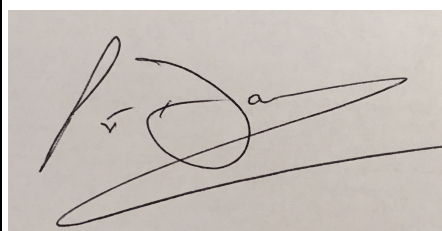
Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

Peter John Danby

Edward Barsley

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chairman

Treasurer

Date

03/12/2021