



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

Trustees Annual Report for the period

From 01/01/2023 Period start date To 31/12/2024 Period end date

Charity name: House of Caring Sierra Leone

Charity registration number: 1177112

Objectives and Activities

| | SORP reference | |
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| Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document | Para 1.17 | The charity was set up to give shelter and protection to children who became orphans during a historical war. It has continued to provide this care to boys who warrant it. |
| 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 | House of Caring works towards the relief of poverty and hardship amongst orphans and other vulnerable children in Sierra Leone in particular. We do this by providing financial and practical support, including education and shelter. |
| Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit | Para 1.18 | The trustees have considered the charity commission's guidance on public benefit when planning the activities and objectives for the year. The local community and general public at large have benefited from the work that we do directly with the boys. |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

| | SORP reference | |
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| Policy on grant making | Para 1.38 | N/A |
| Policy on social investment including program related investment | Para 1.38 | N/A |
| Contribution made by volunteers | Para 1.38 | N/A |

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| Other | | |

Achievements and Performance

| | SORP reference | |
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| 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>Together with the parent body in the USA, we maintain an orphanage that is fully staffed and cares for ten boys.</p> <p>Fundraising was achieved through donations and a successful virtual appeal.</p> <p>The interaction with the surrounding community continues to be good. Neighbours who do not have the benefit of running water in their compounds still benefit from our borehole. With our premises benefitting from ongoing electricity via solar panels, the neighbours benefit from our security lights at night. Work can be done outside, including schoolwork.</p> <p>The children have very good nutritional, health, educational and housing care, Their emotional and psychological welfare is also catered for. These are areas that their peers in the main are probably lacking.</p> <p>With us having responsibility of the boys, the extended family members who would have had custody of the boys, have a little bit more finance, to provide the basics for themselves.</p> |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| Achievements against objectives set | Para 1.41 | N/A |
| Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set | Para 1.41 | N/A |

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| Investment performance against objectives | Para 1.41 | N/A |
| Other | | |

Financial Review

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| Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period | Para 1.21 | We have a fairly healthy financial balance |
| Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held | Para 1.22 | The total reserves held back, will make sure that our commitments to the orphanage can be met for at least six months if a situation arises where our income stops suddenly. |
| Amount of reserves held | Para 1.22 | £5000.00 |
| Reasons for holding zero reserves | Para 1.22 | None |
| Details of fund materially in deficit | Para 1.24 | None |
| Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern | Para 1.23 | No uncertainties at present. |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising) | Para 1.47 | Membership Subscriptions. Donations from family and friends and enlisting them to make monthly donations by standing order. Encouraging donors to make one off donations, in response to the organizations annual virtual appeal. |
| 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 | Donor fatigue as a result of the economic crisis. |
| Other | | |

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Structure, Governance and Management

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| Description of charity's trusts: | | N/A |
| Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter) | Para 1.25 | CIO |
| How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO) | Para 1.25 | Constitution |
| 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 are elected by the membership on joining, via a voting process. |

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 | New trustees use the induction course materials provided by the charity commission. Other trustees keep updated with news from the commission during the year and having discussions with fellow trustees at meetings. |
| The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works | Para 1.51 | The charity works closely with the parent body in America. They are responsible for three quarters of the running costs and we provide a quarter. |
| Relationship with any related parties | Para 1.51 | N/A |
| Other | | |

Reference and Administrative details

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| Charity name | House of Caring Sierra Leone |
| Other name the charity uses | |
| Registered charity number | 1177112 |

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| Charity's principal address | 8 Hollycroft Close South Croydon Surrey CR2 7FE |
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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) |
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| 1 | Ade Daramy | Chair | | 'Membership' |
| 2 | Francess Easmon | Secretary | | 'Membership' |
| 3 | Madonna Johnson | Asst. Secretary | | 'Membership' |
| 4 | Joy Fraser-Amosun | Treasurer | | 'Membership' |
| 5 | Alafia Gabbidon | | | 'Membership' |
| 6 | Willis Olukotun-Williams | | | 'Membership' |
| 7 | Joy Richards | | | 'Membership' |
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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

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

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A

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) M. A. Johnson

Full name(s) Madonna

Johnson

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc) Assistant Secretary

Date 27th October 2025

| | 2023 Full year | 2024 Full year |
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| bank bal b/f per statement | 24,110.26 | 22,836.10 |
| <u>Income:</u> | | |
| Membership subscriptions | 1,095.00 | 1,120.00 |
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| Sponsors Direct Debit : | 1,610.00 | 1,740.00 |
| Donation pd into bank | 263.29 | 1,365.22 |
| Fundraising from events | 650.00 | - |
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| A1 Receipts | 3,618.29 | 4,225.22 |
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| Orphanage exps - regular support | 4,892.45 | 5,417.58 |
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| Payments | 4,892.45 | 5,417.58 |
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| Net income in Year | - 1,274.16 | - 1,192.36 |
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| Fund Position | 22,836.10 | 21,643.74 |
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| Less Legacy - RESTRICTED | 10,000.00 | 10,000.00 |
| Unrestricted funds | 12,836.10 | 11,643.74 |