



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1st November 2019 **Period start date** **To** 31st October 2020 **Period end date**

Charity name: Disaster Action

Charity registration number: 1180287

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The Objects of the CIO are: (i) To promote the safety of the public generally or of any section of the public and/or members of the public, against disasters involving multiple deaths or injury or extensive destruction of buildings or property, where such disasters occur in public places and whether by land, water or air, and in particular for the above purpose to devise, research, carry out, make known, disseminate, advocate, explain and advance principles and methods for securing or furthering the prevention of and protection against accidents of all kinds likely to give rise to such disasters; (ii) to enlist and provide support, succour, guidance and assistance generally to those including dependants and families, who have been or may be affected by such disasters or may be so affected in the future.
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	The Trustees confirm that they have had regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance where relevant. Disaster Action members have continued to provide guidance, assistance and advice to various

		professionals aswell as supporting those directly affected by disasters.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	

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	• Provided advice and guidance to various organisations delivering post-incident support following 2017 incidents, including the Grenfell Fire and Manchester Arena attack. • Participated in the Manchester Memorials Advisory Group preparing consultation processes with bereaved and survivors from the 2017 attack and a research conference on archiving spontaneous

		memorials post- terrorism • Accepted invitations to attend, participate in and present to international meetings, such as European Society for Traumatic Stress Studies, as well as terrorism-related conferences (RAN, InVICTIM, Council for Europe Workshop on rights of victims of terrorism) and S Korea's Disaster Victims' Research Forum • Prepared and contributed to various publications including research papers on peer support and international best practice guidelines on responding to collective trauma events (Australian Red Cross) • Presented at various training and education sessions with emergency planners, strategic responders and crisis support teams, including for example the City of London, Multiagency Gold incident Command (MAGIC) courses, CSW Resilience Team (Coventry, Solihull & Warwickshire), and West Sussex County Council's Family Assistance in Major Emergencies (FAME) Team
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	

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	n/a
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	n/a
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£17,034
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	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed , royal charter)	Para 1.25	CIO Foundation 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	Trustees are elected by 3 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	Disaster Action
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1180287
Charity's principal address	No 4 71 Upper Berkeley Street London W1H 7DB

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	Sophie Tarressenko			
2	Mrs Moya Millicent Wood-Heath			
3	Mr Iain James Philpott			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
n/a	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

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

n/a

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>Sophie Tarassenko</i>	
Full name(s)	Sophie Tarassenko	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	
Date	27/08/21	



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DISASTER ACTION

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
01/11/2019

To

Period end date
30/10/2020

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					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</i>	-	-	-	-	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Sub total</i>	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	-	-	-	-	-
A3 Payments					
	-	-	-	-	-
S Bradley - Website	178	-	-	178	-
Corporation Tax	200	-	-	200	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Sub total</i>	378	-	-	378	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Sub total</i>	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	378	-	-	378	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 378	-	-	- 378	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	17,412	-	-	17,412	-
Cash funds this year end	17,034	-	-	17,034	-

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	Bank	17,034	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	17,034	-	-
	(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)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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			-	-
			-	-
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	
	<i>Sophie Tarassenko</i>	Sophie Tarassenko	27/08/2021	