

OPEN ARMS FOUNDATION (KENT)

England & Wales · Charity number 1181533

Details

Other names OPEN ARMS

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2019-01-11

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE PREVENTION OR RELIEF OF POVERTY AMONG THOSE WHO ARE HOMELESS, FACING HOMELESSNESS OR THOSE IN FINANCIAL HARDSHIP IN THE ASHFORD AREA OF KENT IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY THE PROVISION OF FOOD, CLOTHING, BEDDING, INFORMATION AND ADVICE.

Activities: Assisting the homeless in day to day needs such as food and clothing, supporting integration into society, by aiding the individual in accessing permanent housing, healthcare, work opportunities and life skill education.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Defined Groups

Geography

- Kent

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£833	£1,167	-	-
2024-03-31	£1,338	£1,551	-	-
2023-03-31	£1,335	£1,400	-	-
2022-03-31	£30	£436	-	-
2021-03-31	£6,000	£5,980	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
PENELOPE Blackwell	Chair	2019-11-11
IAN JOHN FRAISER		2019-01-11
PENELOPE JUNE FRAISER		2019-01-11

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From Period start date To Period end date

Charity name:

Charity registration number:

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	
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	
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	

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	
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	
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	
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	
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	
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	

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	
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	
Charity's principal address	

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)

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

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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)

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Full name(s)

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Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

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Date

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01/04/23 Period start date To 31/03/24
Period end date

Charity name:OPEN ARMS FOUNDATION (KENT)

Charity registration number:1181533

Objectives and Activities

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	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The prevention or relief of poverty among the homeless and those facing financial hardship in the Ashford area of Kent, by the provision of food, clothing, bedding, information and advice.

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 charity has the use of donated space and time in a local church one day a week, and a local cafe on another to provide hot drinks and food to those in need. We are able to provide clothing and various domestic requirements as the need arises, and to support people to voice their needs and to access financial and housing aid from the relevant government and local council agencies.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.	Para 1.18	The Trustees are cognisant with and mindful of the guidance issued by the Charity Commission 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	

<p>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.</p>	<p>Para 1.20</p>	<p>The charity has continued to support those who are homeless and others who were previously homeless and have since been rehomed, to maintain their placements.</p> <p>The charity has been able to pass on regular donations of food for those in financial hardship, via the neighbourly scheme, FareShare and Aldi Supermarket.</p> <p>We have also supported those with health needs to access doctor, dental and hospital appointments, and others through court appearances and legal procedures. I</p> <p>The charity has also assisted with access to other agencies of support such as social service, rehabilitation services, banks and Citizens Advice.</p>
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

<p>Achievements against objectives set</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	
<p>Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	
<p>Investment performance against objectives</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	
<p>Other</p>		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	We are a small charity and dependant on donations both financial and practical. We receive consistent donations which are sufficient for the charities needs.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The charity's policy is to keep potential reserves in a bank account that yields a good interest rate and to utilise said monies for the best benefit of those it seeks to help, in a way that is agreed by all trustees.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£400.00
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	
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		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Foundation Trust
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	Para 1.25	Trustees are elected on unanimous agreement of the existing 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	Open Arms Foundation (Kent)
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1181533
Charity's principal address	Wyckhurst Mill Road Aldington Ashford Kent TN25 7AJ

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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)
1	Penelope Anne Blackwell	Trustee		
2	Penelope June Fraiser	Trustee		
3	Ian John Fraiser	Trustee		
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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	

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
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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

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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)

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Full name(s)

Penelope Blackwell	
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Position (eg
Secretary, Chair, etc)

Trustee	
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Date

28/01/2025

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	Period start date			Period end date		
	01	04	22	31	03	23
From				To		

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

Wyckhurst
Milli Road
Aldington, Ashford
Postcode TN25 7AJ

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	Penelope Blackwell	Trustee		
2	Penelope June Fraiser	Trustee		
3	Ian John Fraiser	Trustee		
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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
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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 C Objectives and activities

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

The prevention or relief of poverty among the homeless and those facing financial hardship in the Ashford area of Kent, by the provision of food, clothing, bedding, information and advice.

The charity has the use of donated space and time in a local church one day a week, and a local cafe on another, to provide hot drinks and food to those in need. We are able to provide clothing and various domestic requirements as the need arises, and to support people to voice their needs and to access financial and housing aid from the relevant government and local council agencies.
The trustees are cognisant with and mindful of the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

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)

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.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The charity has been able to continue support for those who were previously homeless and re-homed by Ashford Borough Council during the COVID pandemic. The charity has been able to pass on regular donations of food to those in financial hardship, via the Neighbourly scheme, FareShare, Aldi Supermarket, and Pret a Manger. We have supported those with health needs to access doctor, dentist and hospital appointments, and others through court appearances, and assisting access to outside agencies such as social services, rehabilitation services, banks and Citizens Advice.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity's policy is to keep potential reserves in a bank account that yields a good interest rate and to utilise said monies for the best benefit of those it seeks to help in such a way that is agreed by all trustees.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

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

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

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Full name(s)

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**Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)**

Date

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CHARITY COMMISSION
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Charity Name	No (if any)
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
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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 £
A1 Receipts				
	-	-	-	-
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Sub total (Gross income for AR)	-	-	-	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	-	-	-	-
A3 Payments				
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Sub total	-	-	-	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	-	-	-	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	-	-	-	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds		-	-
		-	-
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	Total cash funds	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-
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	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-
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	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-
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	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name

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When due (optional)

Date of approval

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From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

Postcode

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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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

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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)

How the charity is constituted
(eg. trust, association, company)

Trustee selection methods
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

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.

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Section C Objectives and activities

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

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)

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.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

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Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

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Details of any funds materially in deficit

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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.

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Section F Other optional information

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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)		
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)		
Date		