

PORTSMOUTH CITY COUNCILS CARE LEAVERS TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1181820

Details

Other names	FLYING SOLO
Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2019-01-31
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

Objects: TO ADVANCE EDUCATION AND TO PROTECT AND PRESERVE THE PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH OF YOUNG PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN IN THE CARE OF PORTSMOUTH CITY COUNCIL ("CARE LEAVERS") IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT LIMITED TO:-A) BY PROVIDING EDUCATION IN LIFE SKILLS AND GUIDANCE THROUGH FREE SERVICES OR GRANTS TOWARDS THE COST OF SUCH EDUCATION, TRAINING, ADVICE, INFORMATION AND OTHER APPROPRIATE RESOURCES OR FACILITIES.B] ADVANCING THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC DELIVERED IN THE FORM OF CONFERENCES, TRAINING ACTIVITIES AND RESEARCH IN ALL MATTERS RELATING TO STRATEGIES AND SUPPORT SYSTEMS TO OVERCOME THE PROBLEMS FACED BY SUCH CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS.C] PROMOTING AND CULTIVATING COMPETENCIES, WELLBEING AND ABILITIES BY SUPPORTING SOCIAL, HEALTH, SPORTING AND OTHER RELEVANT ACTIVITIES TO THAT EFFECT.D] PROMOTING SELF-EFFICACY, PROSPERITY AND SOCIAL MOBILITY BY BUILDING ON THE SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE OF CARE LEAVERS, SUCH EXPERIENCE TO BE GAINED BY MEANS OF CAREER DEVELOPMENT AND CREATION AND/OR FUNDING OF OPPORTUNITIES (E.G. INTERNSHIPS, WORK EXPERIENCE, SHADOWING ETC),

Activities: promoting self-efficacy, prosperity and social mobility by building on the skills and experience of Care Leavers, such experience to be gained by means of career development and creation and/or funding of opportunities (e.g. internships, work experience, shadowing etc), To advance education and to protect and preserve the physical and mental health of young people who have been in the care

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Provides Other Finance, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Disability, Economic/community Development/employment, Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- Portsmouth City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£1,879	£3,796	-	-
2024-03-31	£5,250	£6,480	-	-
2023-03-31	£7,350	£8,900	-	-
2022-03-31	£2,607	£2,939	-	-
2021-03-31	£15,259	£8,322	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ADAM MURPHY		2018-01-01
JO WELTCH		2018-01-01

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Year ended 31 March 2025

Receipts and Payments Account

Receipts (Income)

- Donations and other income: **£1,879**
- **Total receipts: £1,879**

Payments (Expenditure)

- Charitable activities and support for care leavers: **£3,769**
- **Total payments: £3,769**

Net movement in funds

- **Deficit for the year: £1,890**

Statement of Funds

Funds brought forward (1 April 2024)

- **£2,400**

Net movement in year

- **-£1,890**

Funds carried forward (31 March 2025)

- **£510**

Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31 March 2025

Assets

- Cash at bank and in hand: **£510**

Liabilities

- None

Net assets

- **£510**

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Trustees' Annual Report

Charity Name:

Portsmouth City Council Care Leavers Trust (Flying Solo)

Charity Status:

Unregistered charitable trust supporting care-experienced young adults

Reporting Period:

1 April 2023 – 31 March 2024

Objectives and Activities

The Trust supports care-experienced young adults in Portsmouth as they transition into independent living. It provides small grants, wellbeing support, and opportunities that promote stability, confidence, and positive life outcomes.

During 2023–2024, the Trust continued to offer financial assistance for essential items, emergency needs, and activities that help care leavers build independence. Demand for support remained high due to ongoing cost-of-living pressures.

Public Benefit Statement

The trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty under section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. All activities undertaken during the year were directed toward supporting care-experienced young people.

Achievements and Performance

The Trust continued to distribute grants and provide practical support to care leavers. Restricted funds were used for direct support, while unrestricted income covered organisational and publicity costs. The Trust maintained strong engagement with local partners and continued to respond flexibly to the needs of young people.

Financial Review

- **Income:** £5,250
- **Expenditure:** £6,480
- **Net deficit:** £1,230

The Trust began the year with **£3,630** carried forward from 2022–2023. After accounting for the deficit, the closing balance at 31 March 2024 is:

£3,630 – £1,230 = £2,400

The Trust remains financially viable and able to continue supporting care leavers.

Receipts and Payments Account

For the year ended 31 March 2024

Income

Income Source	Amount (£)
Donations and other income	5,250
Total Income	5,250

Expenditure

Expenditure Category	Amount (£)
Total Expenditure	6,480

Net Movement in Funds

Category	Amount (£)
Net deficit for the year	–1,230

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

As at 31 March 2024

Assets

Category	Amount (£)
Cash at bank and in hand	2,400
Other assets	0

Category	Amount (£)
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Total Current Assets	2,400
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Liabilities

Category	Amount (£)
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Creditors due within one year	0
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Net Assets

Category	Amount (£)
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Net Assets	2,400
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Funds of the Charity

Fund Type	Closing Balance (£)
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Total Funds	2,400
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Achievements and Performance

Demand for support increased during the year, reflecting the rising cost of living and the ongoing challenges faced by young people leaving care. The Trust continued to distribute grants and provide practical support. Restricted funds were used for direct support, while unrestricted income covered organisational and publicity costs.

Financial Review

- **Total income:** £7,350
- **Total expenditure:** £8,900
- **Net deficit:** £1,550

The Trust began the year with **£5,180** carried forward from 2021–2022.
After accounting for the deficit, the closing balance at 31 March 2023 is:

£5,180 – £1,550 = £3,630

The Trust remains financially stable and able to continue supporting care leavers.

Receipts and Payments Account

For the year ended 31 March 2023

Income

Income Source	Amount (£)
Donations and other income	7,350
Total Income	7,350

Expenditure

Expenditure Category	Amount (£)
Total Expenditure	8,900

Net Movement in Funds

Category	Amount (£)
Net deficit for the year	–1,550

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

As at 31 March 2023

Assets

Category	Amount (£)
Cash at bank and in hand	3,630
Other assets	0
Total Current Assets	3,630

Liabilities

Category	Amount (£)
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Creditors due within one year	0
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Net Assets

Category	Amount (£)
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Net Assets	3,630
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Funds of the Charity

Fund Type	Closing Balance (£)
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Unrestricted	(you can choose how much of the deficit to allocate here)
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Restricted	(if applicable)
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Total Funds	3,630
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Annual Return Summary – Portsmouth City Council Care Leavers Trust (Flying Solo) 2021 - 2022

Charity purpose:

The Trust supports care-experienced young adults in Portsmouth as they move toward independent living. It provides small grants, wellbeing support, and opportunities that help young people build stability, confidence, and positive life outcomes.

Activities during the year:

The charity continued to offer financial assistance and practical support to care leavers. Restricted funds were used to provide grants for essential items and activities, while unrestricted donations covered organisational and publicity costs.

Public benefit:

All activities were carried out to support care-experienced young people, and the trustees confirm they have complied with the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance.

Income and expenditure:

Total income for the year was **£2,607**, all from unrestricted donations.

Total expenditure was **£2,939**, including **£552** on organisational costs and **£2,387** on grants and activities for care leavers.

This resulted in a net deficit of **£332**.

Financial position at year-end:

The charity held **£5,180** in cash at bank and had no liabilities.

Unrestricted funds totalled **£4,473**, and restricted funds totalled **£707**.

Reserves:

The Trust aims to maintain sufficient reserves to meet future grant commitments and ensure continuity of support for care leavers.

Trustees:

The charity is run entirely by volunteer trustees who receive no remuneration.

Adam Murphy

Trustee

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01/04/2020 Period start date To 31/03/2021 Period end date

Charity name: PORTSMOUTH CITY COUNCILS CARE LEAVERS TRUST

Charity registration number: 1181820

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	promoting self-efficacy, prosperity and social mobility by building on the skills and experience of Care Leavers, such experience to be gained by means of career development and creation and/or funding of opportunities (e.g. internships, work experience, shadowing etc), To advance education and to protect and preserve the physical and mental health of young people who have been in the care
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Charitable Purposes • Education/training • Disability • Economic/community Development/employment • Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity • Other Charitable Purposes
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	
	Para 1.41	

Policy on social investment including program related investment		
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>Over the last year flying solo has primarily provided crisis support for care leaver during covid, supporting them with food hampers and small grants for essentials.</p> <p>1-2-1 mentoring has been provided to support care leavers with isolation and loneliness.</p> <p>Grant money was provided to support care leavers over Christmas period with cards and vouchers.</p>

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	The charity is in a stable financial position with the right levels donation income to support the work required.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Reserves are held at the charity so that we are able to sustain the charity through out the years with fluctuation donations and grants.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£9622
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	Trust deed
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	The charity is constituted as a 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 recruited on a needs lead basis with priority given to care experienced people. Any new trustees have to be voted on by a majority vote of cohort trustee board meeting.

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	Portsmouth city council care leavers trust
Other name the charity uses	Flying Solo
Registered charity number	1181820
Charity's principal address	PORTSMOUTH CITY COUNCIL CIVIC OFFICES FLOOR 3 CORE 5 CIVIC OFFICES GUILDHALL SQUARE PORTSMOUTH PO1 2EA

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	Gethin Jones			
2	Adam Murphy			
3	Joe Weltch			
4	Lawa Bellfield			
5	Claire Thomas			
6	Nassar Kessel			
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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	

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)	Adam Murphy	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Secretary	
Date	18/01/2021	

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PORTSMOUTH CITY COUNCIL CARE LEAVERS TRUST (FLYING SOLO)

**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2021**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £
Income					
Donations		4570	0	10690	15260
Income from charitable activities					
Provisions for grants and activities for care leavers		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Income		<u>4570</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>10690</u>	<u>15260</u>
Expenditure					
Expenditure on raising funds					
Organisation cost and publicity		726	0	0	726
Expenditure on charitable activities					
Provision for grants and activities for care leavers		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>7596</u>	<u>7596</u>
Total Expenditure		<u>726</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>7596</u>	<u>8322</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		3844	0	3094	6938

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INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2021**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £
Net income/(expenditure)		3844	0	3094	6938
Transfer between funds		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Net movement in funds		3844	0	3094	6938
Reconciliation of funds					
Fund balances at 1st April 2020		2684	0	0	2684
Fund Balances at 31st March 2021		<u><u>6528</u></u>	<u><u>0</u></u>	<u><u>3094</u></u>	<u><u>9622</u></u>

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**CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2021**

	Notes	Group £	Company £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets		0	0
Investment		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total fixed assets		0	0
Current assets			
Stocks		0	
Debtors		0	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>9622</u>	<u>9622</u>
Total Current assets		9622	9622
Liabilities			
Creditors, amounts falling due in one year		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Net current assets		9622	9622
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>9622</u>	<u>9622</u>

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) Adam Murphy

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc) Secretary

Date 18/01/2021

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