



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 18/05/2022 Period start date To 17/05/2023 Period end date

Charity name: Rapid Response North West

Charity registration number: 1183502

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 is to preserve and protect human life with the advancement of health and saving lives in particular but not exclusively by providing: 24-hour on call assistance, water search & rescue, event support & first aid, traffic management and other resources which will offer support to the emergency services, statutory bodies and other organisations as deemed appropriate by the trustees across the United Kingdom.

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	<p>During our fourth year being a registered charity. Our team continued to expand & develop activities & services within the community.</p> <p>We pushed forward with our Shop Assist welfare service with a project called “Help in the Community 2022” which included supporting Individuals, Families with Children and Elderly people. This project enabled us to provide food parcels to people who needed it most.</p> <p>During this period our shop assist service also supported between 5 – 25 individuals/families each week. This included providing food parcels, emergency energy vouchers, essential items including white goods and clothing. These were all supplied to people in need.</p> <p>We also provided our Safety Patrols within the community making support, food and drink available to people in need on the streets throughout the Wirral peninsular. We continued to provide these patrols routinely on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday evenings. Our long-term aim is to extend these patrols to facilitate a 7-day cover.</p> <p>During this time, we also completed a project called “Emergency Care in the Community” this is where we were able to provide funded training to young, disadvantaged people between 16 and 25 years of age, by providing this training this enabled them to get on to the pathway to employment.</p> <p>Throughout 2022 / 2023 our team expanded our Medical Cover / First Aid capabilities. We provided medical cover across various parts of the UK during most of the event seasons.</p>
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 complied with guidance issued by the charity commission on public benefit.

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	
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	<p>It has been another successful year for Rapid Response North West. We remained busy with the number of public events we attended, providing Awareness, Medical Cover and Water Rescue.</p> <p>As we continue our "Shop Assist Welfare Service" this also kept us busy which had a big impact on the community. This supported individuals, families with children, the elderly, people who were homeless, people suffering with mental health, people in financial distress and people who had specialist dietary requirements.</p> <p>Whilst providing street safety patrols we were able to support & signpost people who were in need whether this was with direct intervention or involving other agencies.</p> <p>During this period, we were able to provide First Aid training to members of the public. Enabling them to gain knowledge with the aim of them gaining employment.</p>

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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	<p>During the period of 2022 – 2023 we had another successful year with funding. We managed to increase our self-generated income with thanks to the medical cover and various activities that our team undertook.</p> <p>We also received an increased amount of public donations than the previous year.</p> <p>We would like to say thank you to Wirral Borough Council for the grant funding received during the period of 2022 – 2023. This funding enabled us to expand the “Shop Assist Welfare Service”.</p> <p>We would also like to say thank you to Community Foundation for Merseyside for the grant funding received. This enabled us to provide funded training to members of the public.</p> <p>With all funding received we were able to pay for charity insurance, volunteer expenses, vehicle maintenance costs, safety equipment & personal protective equipment, medical equipment & supplies.</p> <p>This has also enabled us to continue to provide training to our volunteers and has allowed us to provide training to people in the community.</p>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The charity would like to have reserves of £1000 by the end of the next financial year.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£500
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	The charity received its income from self-generated fundraising activities, public donations, individual trusts, Wirral Borough Council, as well as from various fundraising events and financial support from individual team members.
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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	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 voted in to post by full members of the team at the AGM.

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	Rapid Response North West
Other name the charity uses	RRNW, Rapid Response
Registered charity number	1183502
Charity's principal address	Rapid Response North West Whitfield Business Hub 184-200 Pensby Road Heswall, Wirral CH60 7RJ

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	Samuel Gwilliam	Trustee	21 st May 2019 to September 2022	
2	Luke Brown	Trustee	29 th August 2020 to 8 th September 2023	
3	Jessica Grant	Trustee	10 th September 2021 to July 2022	
4	Daniel Anderton	Trustee	September 2022 to date	
5	Daniel Cumbers	Trustee	September 2022 to date	
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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

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

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Other optional information

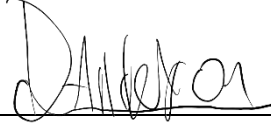
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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Daniel Cumbers	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	
Date	05/03/2024	

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Daniel Anderton	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	
Date	05/03/2024	



Overall Accounts

18th May 2022 – 17th May 2023

Account Balance/Start Figure Leftover from last year

£ 8,327.24

Income / Sales

Public Donations £4,156.90

Grants £23,360.00

Fundraising £3,669.00

Total Income / Sales £31,185.90

Direct Expenses and Overheads

Insurance £2,121.31

Equipment £1139.21

Uniform/PPE £995.56

Medical Equipment £1552.17

DBS Checking £70.00

Medical Supplies £937.92

Training Equipment £244.03

Training £650.00

Training funded for the public £3,210.00

Mileage Claims £1,883.10

Communication £283.52

Fundraising £160.00

Software £75.00

Vehicle Maintenance £1,546.40

Shop Assist Welfare Services £16,269.58

Total Direct Expenses / Overheads £31,137.80

Account Balance at the end of 2023 financial year £8,375.34

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Rapid Response North West

**On accounts for the year
ended**

17th May 2023

**Charity no
(if any)**

1183502

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 17/05/2023.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Heather Podmore

Date:

06/03/2024

Name:

Heather Podmore

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

Address:

43 Rutland Road, Tyldesley

Manchester

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.