



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## **Trustees' Annual Report for the period**

**From** 6<sup>th</sup> April 2020 **Period start date To** 5<sup>th</sup>  
**April 2021** **Period end date 5<sup>th</sup> April 2021**

**Charity name: Academics Stand Against Poverty UK**

**Charity registration number: 1183564**

## **Objectives and Activities**

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>To prevent or relieve poverty through undertaking and supporting academic research and other projects to understand the factors that contribute to poverty and the most appropriate ways to mitigate these.</p> <p>Nothing in this constitution shall authorise an application of the property of the CIO for the purposes which are not charitable in accordance with section 7 of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and section 2 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.</p>
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>Academics Stand Against Poverty UK (ASAP UK) is the UK chapter of an international association that focusses on issues in the UK &amp; overseas.</p> <p>We draw on the independence &amp; creativity of academics and students to question existing practices regarding poverty providing a platform for the community to address important moral &amp; social issues &amp; focus academic attention and intelligence upon them.</p> <p>We have five key objectives:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Build a diverse network of academics, and provide a platform for them to connect with each other.</li><li>2. Support our networks in developing a multi-disciplinary evidence base in relation to poverty, inequality and human flourishing that can be used for policy-making.</li></ol>

		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Equip our network of academics with the tools and skills to engage effectively with policy- makers and the media.</li> <li>4. Connect policy-makers with our academic network, both to provide them with a better understanding of the existing research and to link up research with their needs and objectives.</li> <li>5. Widen the public discourse around poverty, inequality and flourishing society, to enable the public to hold policy-makers to account for the implications of policy decisions.</li> </ol>
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	<p>The charity seeks to draw on the independence and creativity of academics to question existing practices regarding poverty. To this end the charity has sought to formalise its presence in the UK by incorporating as a UK registered charity in order to bolster its ability to undertake projects and to collaborate with others.</p> <p>The charity undertakes a range of activities particularly focussing on events and activities that draw together and convene multidisciplinary academics to discuss different the most pressing issues regarding poverty (both in the UK and overseas) to determine ways to shine a light on issues that are not always duly considered and to explore</p>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>ASAP UK has scheduled to run online conferences and events through the calendar year. In 2021 we framed a set of priorities to look at pressing topical issues relevant to poverty eradication including post covid responses to poverty, and climate change child rights and climate change:</p> <p>Over three sessions ASAP UK hosted an event on <b>Addressing Poverty After the Pandemic: challenges and solutions</b></p> <p>This session debated some of the biggest issues emerging from the COVID-19 pandemic.</p> <p>Over the last 12 months we have seen a radical change in income and job security in the UK. Not only have we been encouraged to rethink who are "key workers" but many citizens have had to live on 80% income and unable to work for</p>
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	<p>extended periods of time. Labour market disruption, job insecurity and economic recession may be the post pandemic context in which we have to address poverty.</p> <p>This session brings together three panellists to explore the current levels of poverty in the UK with recently published research from the Joseph Rowntree Foundation and a discussion regarding Universal Credit and the social security system. The aim is to encourage discussion about the policies we need to tackle poverty as the UK emerges out of the pandemic.</p> <p>Panellists:  <a href="#">Professor Jane Millar</a> - University of Bath</p> <p><a href="#">Dr Emma Wincup</a> - Joseph Rowntree Foundation</p> <p><a href="#">Dr Daniel Edmiston</a> - University of Leeds</p> <p>To follow on from this year's Climate Conference COP26 in Glasgow ASAP hosted a panel event on:  <b>The Climate Crisis and Children's Lives: Poverty, Health, and Child Rights</b></p> <p>We had three panellists to speak on the topics that have arisen at COP26 in line with their specialisms and the outcome for children:</p> <p>Professor Sir Michael Marmot, University College London - Child Health, Inequality and Poverty</p> <p>Dr Francis Vergunst, University of Montreal - Climate Change and Children's Mental Health</p> <p>Dr Thomas Bundschuh, Sheffield Hallam University - The Climate Crisis and Children's Rights</p> <p>Our panellists explored how the climate crisis reveals and exacerbates existing poverty and health inequalities, how it affects children's development and mental health and how these climate harms have created a child's rights crisis.</p> <p>We ran this event as the start of a series of events with academics and stakeholders working together to campaign on behalf of children. In this context, we are also planning a special issue of the Journal ASAP.</p> <p>During this period ASAP UK also expanded</p>
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		the board recruiting Dr Gerardo Javier Arriaga-Garcia, Aston University and Dr Thomas Bundschuh, Sheffield Hallam University.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	The charity is now focussing on the development of its board and offering once we have an evidence basis of our impact, we will use this information to approach funders.
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 still has no income – the Board will be reviewing its fundraising plan over the next 12 months and establishing the types of projects that will be fundable and relevant to the purpose and focus of the charitable objectives of the charity.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The charity is still at a foundational stage but will work towards developing a policy that as it generates income it will work towards ensuring the organisation holds reserves sufficient to support 3 months running costs.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£0
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	The organisation does not have an income adequate to build reserves as yet.
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	<p>Our fundraising relies on two separate, but linked, approaches:</p> <p>First, we are aiming to fundraise core costs. We are seeking around three philanthropic donors.</p> <p>Second, we will fundraise for specific projects. The kind of donors we will be targeting include ActionAid and University funding.</p> <p>The collateral needed for each type of donor is slightly different and requires different proposals, monitoring and reporting requirements. Our fundraising approach will be tailored accordingly.</p>
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	Election of board members at Board Meetings by its members (the Board)

### 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	Academics Stand Against Poverty UK
Other name the charity uses	ASAP UK
Registered charity number	<b>1183564</b>
Charity's principal address	C/O CLERKENWELL WRITERS GUILD 2 WARDROBE PLACE LONDON
	EC4V 5AH



### **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	Catarina Tully	Treasurer		
2	Iason Gabriel			
3	Danielle Clifford			
4	Helen Parry			
5	Carla Washbourne	Chair		
6	Gerardo Arriaga-Garcia	Secretary	14 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	
7	Danielle Clifford			
8	Lee Gregory			
9	Thomas Bundschuh		24 <sup>th</sup> January 2022	
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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	
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

<b>Signature(s)</b>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Carla-Leanne Washbourne	Catarina Tully
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Chair	Treasurer
<b>Date</b>	24 <sup>th</sup> January 2022	27 <sup>th</sup> January 2022



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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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>				
	-	-	-	-
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<b>Sub total</b> (Gross income for AR)	-	-	-	-
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>	-	-	-	-
<b>A3 Payments</b>				
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<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-
<b>Total payments</b>	-	-	-	-
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	-	-	-	-
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	-	-	-	-
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	-	-	-	-
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	-	-	-	-

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
		-	-
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<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
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<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
			-
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<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

C. Washbourne

Print Name

Carla-Leanne Washbourne

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Catarina Tully

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Date of  
approval

1/24/2022

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