



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From :April 1st, 2021 Period start date To March 31st, 2022 Period end date

Charity name: Grit Street Aid

Charity registration number:1183979

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	For the public benefit the relief of poverty amongst those who are homeless, facing homelessness or rough sleepers in Greater Manchester who are in need, hardship and distress on account of their social and economic circumstances, in particular but not exclusively by the provision of clothing, bedding, food and drinks, helping to assist in the provision of temporary accommodation, information, advice, employment and education assistance, also signposting on issues related to healthcare, addiction and housing.
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	Using a mobile support service to provide food, clothing, bedding, and other daily living essentials to those who are rough sleepers in Greater Manchester. In addition, we assist users to access temporary accommodation. We also support users to access other services which help with Employment and education advice. We provide signposting on healthcare, addiction and housing issues.
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 referred to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives, and future plans and policies.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/A
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		N/A

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>During this period, the charity aimed to provide a 24/7 mobile support service to the homeless and rough sleepers in Greater Manchester. We provided food and drink, clothing, tents and other equipment to help meet basic survival needs. We also helped a squatter into temporary then permanent accommodation in collaboration with other agencies. The numbers of people we helped has increased from 35 to 50 per week, compared with the previous year. We help users to access other services such as health, employment etc. sometimes this is signposting and other times we act as an advocate for the users</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 has an in year deficit of £2,412.95, offset by a carry forward of £12,758.57
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The trustees aim to maintain free reserves (unrestricted funds not invested in fixed assets or otherwise designated) at a level, which equates to approximately three months of charitable expenditure. The trustees consider that this level will provide sufficient funds to respond to applications for grants and ensure that support and governance costs are covered.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£12,758.57
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	Constitution, dated June 19th, 2019
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	New trustees are appointed by the existing trustees, and serve for an initial period of three years, after which they may put themselves forward for re-appointment. No more than one third of trustees are due for re-appointment in any one year.

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	Grit Street Aid
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1183979
Charity's principal address	Wythenshawe Forum Library Wythenshawe Civic Centre Forum Grove Wythenshawe M22 5RX

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	J. Donoughue	Chair of Trustees		
2	J. Goldstone	Acting Treasurer		
3	V. McMahon			
4	M. Chisholm		21 st January 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	
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)	<i>J Goldstone</i>	
Full name(s)	Jack Goldstone	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	27.01.23	

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Grit Street Aid.

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Grit Street Aid for the year ending 31 March 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of Grit Street Aid, 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 charity'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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with these records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities [Accounts and Reports] Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a "true and fair view" which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

David Martin

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26 January 2023