



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **01/01/2024**
Period end date

Period start date To **31/12/2024**

Charity name: Somerset Industrial Archaeological Society

Charity registration number: 1185669

Objectives and Activities

| | SORP reference | |
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| Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document | Para 1.17 | To advance and inform the education of the public in all aspects of Industrial Archaeology in and around the county of Somerset. |
| 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 | Publication, thrice yearly, of a Bulletin with reports of IA (ISSN 0954-7029 lodged at the British Library), sent to members, adjoining local IA societies, the AIA, and available in the Somerset Heritage Centre. Fortnightly lectures in winter months, open to all, alternating face to face meetings with Zoom meetings. Field trips mainly in summer months. All activities are advertised locally and on the Society's website (www.sias.me.uk). |
| 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 had regard to the public benefit guidance issued by the Charity Commission. |

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 | Money may be gifted to societies or groups in and around the county whose interests reflect those of the Society. There may be a visit to view the work of the group, or a talk to members from them about their work. |
| Policy on social investment including program related investment | Para 1.38 | Not applicable |
| | | The Society is run entirely by volunteers. |

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| Contribution made by volunteers | Para 1.38 | |
| Other | | |

Achievements and Performance

| | SORP reference | |
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| 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>Educating and informing the public about Industrial Archaeology is the primary purpose of the Society. The holding of lectures and field trips, open to all, fulfils that function. There are often visitors to the Society's events.</p> <p>For preservation of heritage, the trustees keep a close watch on planning applications which may affect industrial heritage, and they submit responses to local authority planning departments. The Society is frequently asked for advice and information by members of the public and is happy to respond where possible. The Society is also consulted by various researchers and local authorities on matters of IA concern.</p> |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| 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

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| Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period | Para 1.21 | The Society made a profit of £1434. |
| Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held | Para 1.22 | Reserves are held to fund contingencies. |
| Amount of reserves held | Para 1.22 | £8045 |
| 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 | SIAS knows of no immediate threats to its continuance. |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising) | Para 1.47 | Membership subscriptions are the main source of funds. |
| 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 | A large fall in membership would affect the lecture series, but production of the Bulletin and field trips could continue for some years without further income. The ageing membership and lack of volunteers willing to become trustees is of some concern. |
| Other | | |

Structure, Governance and Management

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| Description of charity's trusts: | | |
| Type of governing document (trust deed , royal charter) | Para 1.25 | Constitution, derived from Charity Commission template. |
| 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 elected each year by members present at the Annual General Meeting. Officers are elected from amongst the trustees, also at the AGM. The trustees may co-opt further trustees. |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| 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

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| Charity name | Somerset Industrial Archaeological Society |
| Other name the charity uses | SIAS |
| Registered charity number | 1185669 |
| Charity's principal address | Park Field Cottage, Langford Budville, Wellington, Somerset. TA21 0QU |
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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 | Mary Miles | Chair | | |
| 2 | Geoff Fitton | Secretary | | |
| 3 | Barbara Cooper | Treasurer | | |
| 4 | Alan Cockett | | | |
| 5 | Chris Cooper | | | |
| 6 | Peter Daniel | President | | |
| 7 | Neil Ham | | | |
| 8 | Bruce Induni | | From 25 th March 2024 | |
| 9 | Iain Miles | | | |
| 10 | Geoff Roughton | | | |
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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

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| 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 |
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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

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| Signature(s) | <i>B. R. Cooper</i> | <i>C D Cooper</i> |
| Full name(s) | Barbara Cooper | Chris Cooper |
| Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc) | Treasurer | Trustee |
| Date | 09/06/25 | 09/06/25 |



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Somerset Industrial Archaeological Society

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
1/1/2024

To

Period end date
12/31/2024

Section A Receipts and payments

| | Unrestricted funds | Restricted funds | Endowment funds | Total funds | Last year |
|---|--------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | to the nearest £ | to the nearest £ | to the nearest £ | to the nearest £ | to the nearest £ |
| A1 Receipts | | | | | |
| Subscriptions | 1,839 | - | - | 1,839 | 2,143 |
| Donations | 308 | - | - | 308 | 1,863 |
| Publications | 1,010 | - | - | 1,010 | 498 |
| Gift Aid | 759 | - | - | 759 | 330 |
| Bank Interest | 202 | - | - | 202 | 68 |
| SWWERIAC | 25 | - | - | 25 | - |
| Miscellaneous | 493 | - | - | 493 | 736 |
| | | | | | - |
| Sub total (Gross income for AR) | 4,636 | - | - | 4,636 | 5,638 |
| A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table). | | | | | |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total receipts | 4,636 | - | - | 4,636 | 5,638 |
| A3 Payments | | | | | |
| Speakers | 340 | - | - | 340 | 270 |
| Venue (including Zoom cost) | 386 | - | - | 386 | 324 |
| Insurance and AIA subscription | 206 | - | - | 206 | 206 |
| Equipment and Maintenance | - | - | - | - | - |
| Postage | 24 | - | - | 24 | 846 |
| Printing Supplies | 1,782 | - | - | 1,782 | 1,332 |
| SWWERIAC | 100 | - | - | 100 | - |
| Publications purchased | 118 | - | - | 118 | - |
| Miscellaneous | 246 | - | - | 246 | 820 |
| Sub total | 3,202 | - | - | 3,202 | 3,798 |
| A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table) | | | | | |
| Archive | - | - | - | - | 2,187 |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total payments | 3,202 | - | - | 3,202 | 3,798 |
| Net of receipts/(payments) | 1,434 | - | - | 1,434 | 1,840 |
| A5 Transfers between funds | - | - | - | - | - |
| A6 Cash funds last year end | - | - | - | - | - |
| Cash funds this year end | 1,434 | - | - | 1,434 | 1,840 |

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

| Categories | Details | Unrestricted funds to nearest £ | Restricted funds to nearest £ | Endowment funds to nearest £ |
|---|--|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| B1 Cash funds | Lloyds Bank and Paypal | 942 | - | - |
| | Savings Accounts | 8,048 | - | - |
| | Cash | 60 | - | - |
| | Total cash funds | 9,050 | - | - |
| | (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s)) | Agreement Error | OK | OK |
| B2 Other monetary assets | Details | to nearest £ | to nearest £ | to nearest £ |
| | | - | - | - |
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| B3 Investment assets | Details | Fund to which asset belongs | Cost (optional) | Current value (optional) |
| | | | - | - |
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| B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use | Details | Fund to which asset belongs | Cost (optional) | Current value (optional) |
| | High- Viz vests | | - | 12 |
| | Paper | | - | 305 |
| | Printer Consumables | | - | 527 |
| | Publications | | - | 2,752 |
| | Stamps | | - | 155 |
| | Container | | - | 1,749 |
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| B5 Liabilities | Details | Fund to which liability relates | Amount due (optional) | When due (optional) |
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| Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees | | Signature | Print Name | Date of approval |
| | #VALUE! | BARBARA COOPER | 6/9/2025 | |
| | #VALUE! | CHRIS COOPER | 6/9/2025 | |