

BOOKCASE FOR ALL

England & Wales · Charity number 1188007

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2020-02-17

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS ARE TO ADVANCE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC BY ENCOURAGING READING AND PROMOTING LITERACY TO THOSE WHO ARE SOCIALLY AND ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED AND MAY STRUGGLE TO ACCESS READING MATERIAL BY PROVIDING FREE ACCESS TO BOOKS THROUGH POP UP AND STATIC BOOKSHELVES IN VENUES SUCH AS HOSTELS, CAFÉS, SCHOOLS AND ACCOMMODATION BLOCKS.

Activities: The objects are to advance education of the public by encouraging reading and promoting literacy to those who are socially and economically disadvantaged and may struggle to access reading material by providing free access to books through pop up and static bookshelves in venues such as hostels, cafes, schools and accommodation block.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies

Geography

- North Yorkshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31		£0	£0	-
2023-12-31		£0	£0	-
2022-12-31		£0	£0	-
2021-12-31		£0	£0	-
2020-12-31		£0	£0	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Candida Jemima Colbourn Ms	Chair	2020-02-17
Joanne Haywood		2023-11-01
Michael Robert Fletcher		2020-02-17
SARA ANN MAIR		2020-02-17

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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01/01/2024 Period start date To 31/12/2024

Period end date

Charity name: Bookcase For All

Charity registration number: 1188007

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The Objects Are To Advance Education Of The Public By Encouraging Reading And Promoting Literacy To Those Who Are Socially And Economically Disadvantaged And May Struggle To Access Reading Material By Providing Free Access To Books Through Pop Up And Static Bookshelves In Venues Such As Hostels, Cafés, Schools And Accommodation Blocks
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	During the year we continued to attend local soup kitchens with a pop up bookstall providing free reading materials to those in need. We have provided donated books to schools and had stalls at a number of events raising money for other community organisations. We have also provided book swaps for local groups with community bookshelves.

Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	Yes

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	
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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	Community bookcases have been operated in a number of areas for local residents to take and donate books for others. Books were donated to community groups for them to sell to raise funds. No monetary donations were made to Bookcase for All for these. We operate a regular free bookstall at the community homeless kitchens for those in need to take reading material. We also provide books for local food banks to give out to those accessing their services.
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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	No income for the current year
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Not applicable
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Not applicable
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	We currently have no running costs
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	Not applicable
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	Not applicable

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		
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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	Foundation 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	Appointed at charity inception and elected

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	Bookcase For All
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1188007
Charity's principal address	4 Orchard Way York YO24 2NU

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	Candida Colbourn			
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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

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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)		

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)	CJColbourn	
Full name(s)	Candida Colbourn	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	

Date	28/10/2025
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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **01/01/2023**
Period end date

Period start date To **31/01/2023**

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Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	Not applicable

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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) M Fletcher

Full name(s) Michael Fletcher

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc) Secretary

Date 13/10/2024

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	01	2022		31	12	2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Bookcase For All

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1188007

Charity's principal address

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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

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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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

Constitution

How the charity is constituted
(eg. trust, association, company)

CIO

Trustee selection methods
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

Appointed at charity inception

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity

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works;

- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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Section C

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

THE OBJECTS ARE TO ADVANCE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC BY ENCOURAGING READING AND PROMOTING LITERACY TO THOSE WHO ARE SOCIALLY AND ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED AND MAY STRUGGLE TO ACCESS READING MATERIAL BY PROVIDING FREE ACCESS TO BOOKS THROUGH POP UP AND STATIC BOOKSHELVES IN VENUES SUCH AS HOSTELS, CAFÉS, SCHOOLS AND ACCOMMODATION BLOCKS.

Bookcase For All has provided books for the homeless and vulnerable across the city, as well as for schools and community groups.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Section D

Achievements and performance

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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

During 2022, Bookcase for All's activities included:

A community bookcase was operated for local residents to take and donate books for others.

Books were donated to community groups for them to sell to raise funds. No monetary donations were made to Bookcase for All for these.

We have runs stalls at local fairs to raise awareness of the charity.

Books have been provided to community foodbanks.

A little library has been built to provide permanent access to books for a local community, which is planned to go live in 2023.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

We currently have no cash reserves and have had no income during 2022

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F

Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	C Colbourn	
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Full name(s)	Candida Jemima Colbourn	
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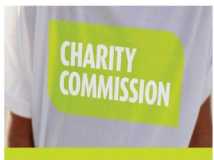
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
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Date	25/10/2023
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From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
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Additional governance issues (Optional information)

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- ☐ the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- ☐ relationship with any related parties;
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Section D

Achievements and performance

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Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

At the start of 2020 Bookcase For All was running a number of bookcases with local groups Carecent and Changing Lives. We also had a fortnightly bookcase within Kitchen For Everyone York.

Due to the impact of the Covid pandemic our usual services were suspended in March 2020. Instead of taking books into venues we worked with York Neighbours and York Local Area Co-Ordinator's to drop books off to people who were self isolating. We also hosted a weekly book exchange in our local area.

During the holidays we ran a children's short story competition which we advertised through schools and local press. Prizes were donated for the Tesco Community Group.

In addition to the above during December we donated books to the New Earswick Rugby clubs shoebox appeal providing gifts to the elderly within the area, and we ran a nominate a bookwork project where people could suggest individuals or groups that would benefit from a book and we'd deliver them. We also gave books to a number of schools who were able to provide them to their SEN and vulnerable children.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

We currently have no cash reserves and have had no income during 2020

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- ☐ the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- ☐ how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- ☐ investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F

Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)		
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)		
Date		