

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date
From 1 1 2022 To 31 12 2022
Period end date

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Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Green School Runs

Other names charity is known by GSR

Registered charity number (if any) 1189167

Charity's principal address 53 Grasmere Road

London

Postcode N10 2DH

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	Francesca Agostini			
2	Ruth Elaine Trimble			
3	Ekaterina Shanova-Staykova	Treasurer		
4	Yoni Gideon Jacobs	Chair		
5	Abigail Claire England Gilbert			

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

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
N/a	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
N/a		

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

N/a

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution dated 23 April 2020
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Trustees are appointed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees having regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.

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

The charity is founded by a group of parents concerned about the health effects of poor air quality caused by traffic congestion. The charity works very closely with a number of volunteers from the parent and school community who are key in the delivery of the charity's objectives. Meetings are held on a regular basis at which ongoing and new activities are discussed. The charity maintains strong links with local schools as well as with local authorities and community groups.

Section C Objectives and activities

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

GSR is set up for the advancement of education and health and protection of the environment. GSR works for the public benefit by providing realistic alternatives to driving, particularly during the school run; increased awareness on the effects and causes of air pollution and by improving the health of citizens through the reduction of air pollution and the promotion of active school travel.

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)

In planning our activities for the period we had regard for the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

The main activities undertaken included:

- engaging with schools, parents and the wider community to raise awareness of air pollution and promote active school travel via our website, social media and electronic communications;
- partnered with local neighbourhood forums and local authorities to deliver an air quality project;
- initiated a campaign for improvement to a local bus service in order to increase public transport use for the school run and improve air quality;
- promoted to local schools the adoption of a digital application that facilitates sustainable travel solutions;
- continuing engagement with local businesses in relation to the Park and Stride system at a local shopping centre to reduce traffic and air pollution directly around schools thus promoting public health benefits;
- distribution of information leaflets and banners for schools, parents and local community to educate on the health impacts of air pollution from car travel and engine idling;
- continuing to promote the health benefits of Healthy School Streets and encouraging their adoption and approval; and
- engaging with other groups and authorities, including local authorities and other community groups in the air pollution and transport space.

These activities contribute to the advancement of education as they all aim to increase awareness on the dangers of air pollution, especially as arising from cars on the school run, as well as contributing to the improvement of health and the environment by reducing car travel around schools.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

The charity has no employees and it's objectives and activities are delivered by the trustees and a core group of volunteers.

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

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

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

This was the charity's second full year of operation after it's registration. We have continued to promote alternatives to driving and educating on the benefits of active travel to school with various degrees of success.

Our website and engagement on social media via Facebook and Twitter continue to be a key form for dissemination of our educational material and raising awareness of the effect of air pollution from car traffic and car idling on health and well-being. We provided information on the benefits of active travel and various means to achieve this, ranging from walking and cycling, walking buses, to park and stride. We continued to digitally share our Getting to school guide which we distributed directly to local schools and the wider community through our website.

In the last quarter of 2021, Green School Runs entered into a new air quality project in partnership with the local area Neighbourhood Forum and volunteers including teachers and children from local schools. The project was completed in 2022 and gathered a year's data on nitrogen dioxide levels (using diffusion tubes) at 10 locations in the area with the aim of comparing to previous such studies carried out in 2015. The project is being assisted by the local council air quality officers. While the results are awaiting guidance from Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs ("DEFRA ") before publishing, important initial analysis of the data shows overall improvement in nitrogen dioxide levels in the area supporting the overall positive impact of measures taken to reduce air pollution.

In 2022, the charity embarked on a very challenging endeavour to bring about improvements to a local bus service specifically designed for the school run linking a number of neighbouring areas not connected by other forms of public transport. However, the bus service has been found to be inadequate by parents and local residents, in terms of both its timetable and frequency. This has made it unreliable and of limited use for the school run, and effectively not being used sufficiently with many parents continuing to have to rely on cars and contributing to school run air pollution. Green School Runs approached Transport for London (TfL) to present the issues and request for an increase in the frequency and amendments to the timetable to be better coordinated with the local schools' start and finishing times. We carried out extensive collection and analysis of data on pupil numbers which was gathered from local schools in order to support the demand for changes to the service. The project is ongoing into 2023.

Green School Runs supported the implementation of Cycling Lanes and School Streets (streets around schools with restricted traffic during school drop off and pick up hours of the day) in the local area and actively informed on their health benefits, especially in the context of the school run, via our social media channels.

During the year, we have continued our Park & Stride system in conjunction with a local major shopping centre which provided free parking spaces for the morning and afternoon school drop off and pick up times for local schools. This enabled parents with no option but to drive, to park for free for a limited period of time further away from the schools and then 'stride' with their children to/from school. Thus reducing the number of cars at the school gates which would have reduced air pollution, traffic congestion and enabled kids to walk part of the distance to school and thus also experiencing the health benefits of active travel.

Green School Runs has successfully continued its activities to advance the cause of educating on the effects of air pollution and promoting the health benefits of active school travel. We continue to be one of the main organisations in the local area which is seen to actively promote the health benefits of active travel and the reduction of cars during the school run. The charity is a key partner for local schools, resident organisations, the local council, and businesses promoting sustainable travel solutions, and is actively sought in joint collaborations and initiatives to promote practical solutions and raise awareness of the detrimental effects of air pollution caused by driving, especially in the context of the school run.

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

During the period the charity received total income of £556 and made payments of £179. Cash at Bank as of 31 December 2021 was £1,663 (of which £265 was restricted).

The main financial risk for the charity is reduction in donations. The funds are held to ensure that in the event of loss of income in subsequent years, there are enough funds to cover committed expenditure.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/a

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.

The charity's principal sources of funding are donations from individuals and corporations. Since 2021 the charity has been enrolled into the Amazon Smile initiative which provides donations of 0.5% on eligible purchases made by Amazon customers that have elected to support Green School Runs.

Expenditure during the period was made to cover the Green School Runs website costs. These are key as a means of achieving our objectives to educate on the effects and causes of air pollution and to promote alternatives to driving and of active school travel.

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)

E. Mori

Francisco José

Full name(s)

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FRANCESCA AGOSTINI

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

TREASURER.

Trustee

Date _____

17/10/23



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Green School Runs	1189167	CC16a	
Receipts and payments accounts			
For the period from	01/01/2022	To	31/12/2022

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 £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Corporate donation - Amazon Smile	56	-	-	56	-
Corporate donation	500	-	-	500	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	556	-	-	556	-
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Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	556	-	-	556	-
A3 Payments					
Website costs	179	-	-	179	-
Sub total	179	-	-	179	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	179	-	-	179	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	378	-	-	378	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	1,020	265	-	1,285	-
Cash funds this year end	1,398	265	-	1,663	-

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

Categories

Details

B1 Cash funds

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
Bank account	1,398	265	-
	-	-	-
Total cash funds	1,398	265	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-



B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	FRANCESCA AGOSTINI	17/10/23
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