



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

		Period start date		Period end date	
From	05	June	2020	To	04
					June 2021

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

Dress It Forward

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1189810

Charity's principal address

17 Pulteney Gardens

Bath

Postcode

BA2 4HG

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	Georgina Short			
2	Alexandra Ensom			
3	Tine Stapelfeldt			
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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)	Elected by serving trustees

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.

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Section C Objectives and activities

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

The relief of financial hardship among disadvantaged and impoverished individuals living in South Africa by providing such persons with formal clothing (including but not limited to outfits for graduation celebrations or job interviews) which they could not otherwise afford.

The prevention or alleviation of poverty either generally or individually, of people living in South Africa, by providing: grants and services to charities, or other organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty.

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)

The charity sources and collects donations of (especially but not limited to) second-hand, formal clothing (especially but not limited to prom dresses and suits) from within the UK. It does this through reaching out to potential donors through local and national press and social media.

On arrival in South Africa, the dresses are received and managed by a trusted and vetted local organisation or individual who sort, photograph, catalogue and label the clothing. They then store the clothing, identify potential recipients and distribute the clothing according to need.

The charity also provides grants to charities and organisations in South Africa who do this work, i.e. those who administer and manage our donations of clothing once they have arrived in South Africa.

By donating otherwise expensive clothing for free to the families of graduating students living in poverty (or other disadvantaged individuals living in South Africa) these families are relieved of having to buy the clothing themselves which would likely risk further financial hardship for them.

There are also several benefits to the general public within the UK: According to the UK charity WRAP (Waste and Resources Action Programme), an estimated 350,000 tonnes (£140 million worth) of used clothing goes to landfill in the UK every year (<https://www.wrap.org.uk/content/textiles-overview>). By encouraging people to donate some of this clothing to a charity such as ourselves, we are working towards reducing this figure in some small part. The hope is that donors will in turn consider other items in their wardrobe (that may not be suitable for us specifically) as potential charitable donations rather than direct them straight to landfill.

We work with secondary school students in the UK to help source appropriate second-hand clothing. In becoming involved with the charity, these students are actively learning about another country (South Africa) and the challenges that some of the children and teenagers from this country are facing. They are given an opportunity to directly make a difference to their lives.

In turn, our social media and press campaigns directly highlight the challenges of poverty and a lack of education faced by many children in South Africa and inform the British public of these global issues.

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

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

During the year 5th June 2020 through until 4th June 2021 our achievements were limited as a result of the ongoing Covid19 global pandemic.

We received some small financial donations from a local school and also collected a number of dresses and suits. For much of this year South Africa was on the UK's 'Red List' and travel between the countries was difficult, if not impossible. As such transporting clothing to those who needed it was not possible.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

As a new charity with limited funds (less than £200) it was felt we don't currently need to set a reserves policy. We will review this in 2021/2022.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

none

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)

Georgina Short

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Trustee / Chair

Date

12/01/22



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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

05.06.20

To

04.06.21

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					
Cash Donation from Royal High School Bake Sale - 15.9.20	55	-	-	55	-
Money Raised from Royal High School Mufti Day - 21.10.20	95	-	-	95	-
Additional Profig from Royal High School Bake Sale 29.12.20	49	-	-	49	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	199	-	-	199	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	199	-	-	199	-
A3 Payments					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	199	-	-	199	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	199	-	-	199	-

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				
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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Total cash funds

-	-	-
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Unrestricted funds**Restricted funds****Endowment funds**

to nearest £

to nearest £

to nearest £

B2 Other monetary assets**Details**

	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

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)

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		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
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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

	GEORGINA SHORT	18/01/22