



## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022

To 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

Charity name: Les Alden Foundation

Charity registration number: 1190114

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The objective of the Les Alden Foundation is to relieve poverty in Worthing either directly or indirectly. Direct objectives including collecting, storing and redistributing free school uniforms or setting up a food bank. Indirect action including the signposting of donors of money, time or skills to local groups who support with relieving the poverty of local residents.
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	The main activities of the Les Alden Foundation include the following projects - Worthing Uniform Exchange - collection and storage of used school uniforms. Redistribution of school uniforms to Worthing children in need of school uniform. Worthing Food Foundation – provision of emergency grocery supplies to local residents who are unable to afford groceries for themselves. Worthing Vegan Food Bank – Took over the running and management in October 2021, continued provision of emergency vegan grocery supplies to local residents who are unable to afford vegan groceries for themselves. Benefit advice and support – provision of benefit and financial support from Benefit Advice worker who works across all our projects.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees confirm they have regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit. The Les Alden Foundation provides benefit to any Worthing resident to prevent or alleviate the impact of poverty.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	The Les Alden Foundation does not make any grants
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	The Les Alden Foundation does not undertake any social investments.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	The Les Alden Foundation is run and supported by volunteers who carry out the vast majority of the activities. However, in accordance with the SORP, the value of these services has not been included in these financial statements as they cannot be reliably measured.
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	<b>Main achievements</b> <b>Worthing Uniform Exchange</b> - collection and storage and redistribution of used school uniforms. <b>Collection of used school uniforms</b> assists in preventing unnecessary use of local landfill, encourages sustainability and the negative impact upon natural resources needed to produce school uniforms. <b>Redistribution of school uniforms</b> to parents assists in saving them money. <b>Worthing Food Foundation</b> – continued provision of emergency grocery supplies through the year to local residents who are unable to afford groceries for themselves. <b>Worthing Vegan Food Bank</b> – took over the running and management in October 2022 and continued the provision of emergency vegan grocery supplies through the year to local residents who are unable to afford vegan groceries for themselves. <b>The provision of emergency grocery supplies</b> provides an immediate benefit

		<p>to those supported, enabling a healthier diet, in turn reducing the health inequalities and general impact upon society.</p> <p>Benefit advice and support – provision of benefit and financial support enables all those who use our projects to claim and receive all the financial support available to them. Many have been able to address long standing debt issues, been able to seek voluntary or paid work, seek help for health issues.</p>
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#### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	N/A
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	N/A
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		N/A



## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The end of year balance £31,855
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The policy is to hold one-month current running costs
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£14,000
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	Transfer of funds from Worthing Vegan Food Bank (1190673 removed charity) Grants from local government Grants from local and national charities Fundraising activities including: - sponsorship from local companies, campaigns for specific events i.e. Christmas, Easter, September school uniform Regular donations from local residents
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/A
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Going forward, the increased costs of energy and groceries for individuals and families we support will impact upon the demand for grocery support.
Other		N/A

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document <i>(trust deed, royal charter)</i>	Para 1.25	<b>Trust deed</b>
How is the charity constituted? <i>(is it an incorporated association, CIO)</i>	Para 1.25	<b>CIO</b>
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	<b>Nominations sought from volunteer body along with recommendations from Trustee's as to skills and experience needed for new trustee's</b> <b>Discussion at Trustee meeting followed by Trustee confirmation of new trustee</b>

### 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	<b>N/A</b>
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	<b>N/A</b>
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	<b>N/A</b>
Other		<b>N/A</b>

## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Les Alden Foundation
Other name the charity uses	Worthing Food Foundation, Worthing Vegan Food Bank, Worthing Uniform Exchange
Registered charity number	1190114
Charity's principal address	42 Malthouse Close, Sompting, Lancing West Sussex BN15 0EF

### 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	Rev Pamela Ann Alden			
2	Caroline Elizabeth Baxter			
3	Sarah Dickinson		7 <sup>th</sup> November 2022	
4	Matthew John Rowntree Potter			
5	Susan Turley	Chair		
6	Ella Turner		29 <sup>th</sup> April 2022	
7	Dr Carl John Walker			
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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

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

### 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

None

## 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)		
Full name(s)	MATTHEW POTTER	SUSAN TURCOTTE
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	TRUSTEE	CHAIR
Date	24 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2024	



**Les Alden Foundation**

**Charity Number: 1190114**

**Annual Report for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023**



**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/  
members of**

Les Alden Foundation

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

**Charity no  
(if any)**

1190114

**Set out on pages**

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022.

**Responsibilities and  
basis of report**

As the charity's trustees, 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all 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, which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

**Signed:**

**Date:**

**Name:**

Christopher Martin

**Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):**

ACCA

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Shoreham-by-Sea

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