

HALFWAY HOME (STOKE-ON-TRENT)

TRUSTEES' REPORT
AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR END
31 March 2024

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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1st April 2023
Period end date

Period start date To 31st March 2024

Charity name: Halfway Home (Stoke-on-Trent)

Charity registration number: 1190727

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	As previously stated: To relieve the needs of adults recovering from homelessness in the Stoke-on-Trent and North Staffordshire local government area who are ready to transition from homeless shelters and hostel provision and who need additional support before living independently by the provision of accommodation, advice and support so that they may increase their confidence to live independently and prevent the recurrence of homelessness.
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	No changes - this charity is for the above purpose, including production and adjustments to documents the commission required
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	Confirmed.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	No updates as no applications have been made during this year. The manager appointed by Trustees would lead on grant applications with support of at least one of the trustees.
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	Halfway Home is considered a exempt accommodation provided by a charity under the Housing Benefit and Council Tax Benefit Regulation 2005. The care, support and supervision as defined under

		exempt accommodation is largely provided by Halfway Home as a charitable action and would be considered social investment within the locality.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	<p>Volunteers continued to support the Trustees in developing the service. They still signpost and advise trustees with understanding information around homelessness and housing sector.</p> <p>The volunteers provide admin support to the trustees and coordinate communication between them.</p> <p>Volunteers will take feedback from the service users ensuring needs are met.</p>
Other		

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	<p>Still registered as a except accommodation provider with Stoke on Trent City Council.</p> <p>The number of people access our service has increased to 16. These are people who have experienced homelessness and have or are being housed and supported by Halfway home during this period.</p> <p>Halfway Home works in partnership with Stoke on Trent City Council's Housing solutions team to identify adults recovering from such trauma that are suitable for move on support and accommodation.</p> <p>Halfway home is partnered with the local rough sleepers teams to verify the service users homeless status.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	The service by the end of this period has acquired a total of 8 properties. The service has capacity to house and support 16 service users at a given time.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Our focus remains on delivering the best quality of service as a city council supported accommodation provider, therefore we have not pursued other funding options

Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	Halfway Home provides, 'support, care and supervision,' as defined by exempt accommodation housing rules.
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The bank balance as at 31/03/2024 is £18,577.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Surplus as stated below is kept for the events of emergencies, repairs and replacements of housing related goods
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	The reserves as at 31/03/2024 are £23,773.
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	
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		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution of a Charitable Incorporated Organisation whose only voting members are its charity trustees ('Foundation' model constitution)
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	Section 10 of CIO doc: (1) Apart from the first charity trustees, every trustee must be appointed [for a term of [three] years] by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees. (2) In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.

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	Halfway Home (Stoke-on-Trent)
Other name the charity uses	N/A
Registered charity number	1190727

Charity's principal address	11 Queen Street Burslem Stoke-on-Trent ST6 3EL

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	Shamil Sodagar	N/A	2020 to Current	N/A
2	Georgina Arapi	N/A	2020 to 2022	N/A
3	Zareen Hanif	N/A	2020 to Current	N/A
4	Georgina Arapi (Renewed for 2 years)	N/A	2022 to Current	
5	Shamil Sodagar	N/A	2023 to current	N/A
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
N/A		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
N/A		

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

Other can trustees no formal personnel appointed at this stage

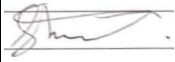
Other optional information

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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)	Shamil Sodagar	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustees	
Date	22-01-2025	

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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name
Halfway Home (Stoke-On-Trent)

On accounts for the year
ended

31 March 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1190727

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2024.

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:

26/01/2025

Name:

Faheem Ghumra

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

FCCA

Address:

376 Walsall Road

Birmingham

B42 2LX

HALFWAY HOME (STOKE-ON-TRENT)

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 March 2024

Recommended categories by activity	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Income and endowments from:				
Charitable activities	2	86,898	86,898	117,756
Total		86,898	86,898	117,756
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	3	95,380	95,380	80,986
Other	5	3,405	3,405	1,110
Total		98,785	98,785	82,096
Net income/(expenditure)		(11,887)	(11,887)	35,660
Net movement in funds		(11,887)	(11,887)	35,660
Reconciliation of funds:				
Total funds brought forward		35,660	35,660	-
Total funds carried forward		23,773	23,773	35,660

HALFWAY HOME (STOKE-ON-TRENT)

BALANCE SHEET

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 March 2024

Recommended categories by activity	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Fixed assets				
Tangible assets	6	7,812	7,812	1,878
Total fixed assets		7,812	7,812	1,878
Current assets				
Cash at bank and in hand	7	18,577	18,577	42,806
Total current assets		18,577	18,577	42,806
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	2,615	2,615	9,024
Net current assets/(liabilities)		15,962	15,962	33,782
Total net assets or liabilities		23,774	23,774	35,660
Funds of the Charity				
Unrestricted funds	9	23,773	23,773	35,660
Restricted income funds	9	-	-	-
Endowment funds	9	-	-	-
Total funds		23,773	23,773	35,660

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 22-Jan-2025 and signed on its behalf by:



Shamil Sodagar
Trustee

1 Accounting Policies

1.1 Accounting Policies

The principal accounting policies adopted by the Charity, which is a public benefit entity, in the preparation of the accounts are as follows.

1.2 Basis of preparation

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the inclusion of charitable properties and fixed asset investments and investment properties at valuation.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with “Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)” (effective 1 January 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

These accounts are presented in pounds sterling and rounded to the nearest pound.

1.3 Going concern

The Trustees have prepared financial projections, taking into consideration the current economic conditions and have, at the time of approving these accounts, a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

2 Income from Charitable Activities

Analysis	Unrestricted funds	Total funds 2024	Total funds 2023
	£	£	£
Sale of service	86,898	86,898	117,756
	<u>86,898</u>	<u>86,898</u>	<u>117,756</u>

3 Expenditure on Charitable Activities

	Total funds 2024	Total funds 2023
Analysis	£	£
Legal/professional fees	830	346
Wages and salaries	26,061	39,801
Charity management & administartio	2,618	3,559
Charity running cost	29,813	35,373
Cost of services	34,177	-
Advertising and marketing	132	388
Printing and stationery	234	69
Support Costs	1,515	1,450
	<u>95,380</u>	<u>80,986</u>

4 Support Costs

	Total funds 2024	Total funds 2023
Analysis	£	£
Governance Costs		
Accountants fees	1,515	1,450
	<u>1,515</u>	<u>1,450</u>

5 Other Expenditure

Analysis	Unrestricted funds	Total funds 2024	Total funds 2023
	£	£	£
Depreciation Charge for the Year - Plant & Machinery	861	861	132
Depreciation Charge for the Year - Fixtures & Fittings	1,952	1,952	494
Other Expenditure	592	592	484
	<u>3,405</u>	<u>3,405</u>	<u>1,110</u>

6 Tangible Fixed Assets

6.1 Cost or valuation

	Plant & Machinery	Fixtures & Fittings
	£	£
At 01 April 2023	529	1,975
Additions	2,915	5,832
Disposals	-	-
Revaluations	-	-
Transfers	-	-
At 31 March 2024	3,444	7,807

6.2 Amortisation and impairments

	Plant & Machinery	Fixtures & Fittings
	£	£
At 01 April 2023	132	494
Additions	861	1,952
Disposals	-	-
Revaluations	-	-
Transfers	-	-
At 31 March 2024	993	2,446

6.3 Net book value

	Plant & Machinery	Fixtures & Fittings
	£	£
At 01 April 2023	397	1,481
At 31 March 2024	2,451	5,361

7 Cash at bank and in hand

	Total funds 2024	Total funds 2023
	£	£
Cash at bank and on hand	18,577	42,806
	<u>18,577</u>	<u>42,806</u>

8 Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	Total funds 2024	Total funds 2023
	£	£
Trade creditors	1,175	-
Taxation and social security	-	5,397
Other creditors	1,440	3,627
	<u>2,615</u>	<u>9,024</u>

9 Charity funds

9.1 Details of material funds held and movements during the CURRENT reporting period

Fund names	Fund balances brought forward	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Gains and losses	Fund balances carried forward
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds						
General Fund	35,660	86,898	(98,785)	-	-	23,774
Total	35,660	86,898	(98,785)	-	-	23,774

9.2 Details of material funds held and movements during the PREVIOUS reporting period

Fund names	Fund balances brought forward	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Gains and losses	Fund balances carried forward
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds						
General Fund	-	117,756	(82,096)	-	-	35,660
Total	-	117,756	(82,096)	-	-	35,660