



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

TOOTING COMMUNITY KITCHEN

On accounts for the year
ended

31st March 2025

Charity no
(if any)

1191091

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/ 03/ 2025**.

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 am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of Association of Chartered Certified Accountants.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) 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:

01/12/2025

Name:

Zubair Hussain

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

Association of Chartered Certified Accountants

Address:

10 Lockwood House, Lockwood Park, Huddersfield, HD4 6EN

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Tooting Community Kitchen

1191091

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

Period start date
1st April 2024

To

Period end date
31st March 2025

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					
Government Grants		18,250	-	18,250	15,800
Donations	49,872		-	49,872	69,791
Non Government Grants	13,000	41,700	-	54,700	26,500
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	62,872	59,950	-	122,822	112,091
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	62,872	59,950	-	122,822	112,091
A3 Payments					
Labour	8,532	30,630	-	39,162	18,276
General Office Expenditure	2,945	-	-	2,945	3,835
Business Rates	2,718		-	2,718	9,481
Equipment	616		-	616	3,641
Indemnity Insurance	358	-	-	358	358
Fund Raising	2,332	-	-	2,332	1,642
Soup Kitchen & Food Bank	6,729	29,320	-	36,049	45,426
Community Support	7,435		-	7,435	10,962
Hall Hire	16,020		-	16,020	16,130
Fuel	94	-	-	94	475
Vehicle Costs	3,713	-	-	3,713	404
Sub total	51,493	59,950	-	111,443	110,630
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Van	-		-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	51,493	59,950	-	111,443	110,630
Net of receipts/(payments)	11,379	- 0	-	11,379	1,461
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	51,746	-	-	51,746	50,285
Cash funds this year end	63,125	- 0	-	63,125	51,746

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

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Retained Income Brought Forward	51,746	-	-
	Current Period	11,379	0	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	63,125	0	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))				

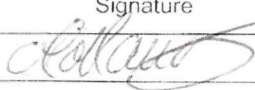
	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Van	Restricted	25,554	16,355
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Olivier Couillaud	26/11/2025

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From Period start date To Period end date
1st April 2024 31st March 2025

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

TOOTING COMMUNITY KITCHEN

Other names charity is known by

TCK

Registered charity number (if any)

1191091

Charity's principal address

49 Park Avenue, Mitcham, CR4 2ER

Postcode: SW17 7NB

Our goal is to help alleviate poverty in South West London, by helping feed the homeless and those in need, and providing them with other vital resources.

We provide a twice weekly stall serving hot food and essential produce, run a local foodbank which operates as a drop-in collection service and a soup kitchen as part of the "Warm Spaces" initiative from the Council, as well as various arts & craft workshops. Our aim is to strengthen our presence within the community, as a general support network and hub for resources to assist our guests. We believe that everyone in our community deserves to feel cared for and valued without prejudice.

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document	Constitution adopted on 1 st September 2020
How the charity is constituted	CIO
Trustee selection methods	<p>Apart from the first charity trustees, every subsequent trustee will be appointed for a term of three years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees.</p> <p>In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees consider the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.</p>

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 governing document is the Tooting Community Kitchen CIO Constitution adopted on 1st September 2020 which became recognised by the Charity Commission when the Charitable Incorporated Organisation was registered on 1st September 2020.

The operational activities of Tooting Community Kitchen started in November 2018, when it identified the need to support the homeless and people in need in Tooting and the wider Wandsworth area.

The Trustees held regular meetings during the year. Some operational details for specific projects are delegated to Committees, each of which has terms of reference agreed by the Trustees.

The Trustees and volunteers work entirely on a voluntary basis. There are no employees.

As Tooting Community Kitchen's work has developed to consider supporting the intake of refugees into Wandsworth, partnerships have been established with SWAN, Care4Calais and CARAS, as well as DONS Local, Fare Share, The Felix Project, City Harvest and local businesses.

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

Our goal is to help alleviate poverty in Southwest London, by helping feed the homeless and those in need, and providing them with other vital resources.

We provide a biweekly stall serving hot food and essential produce and run a local foodbank which operates as a drop-in collection service and added a soup kitchen and various workshops. Our aim is to strengthen our presence within the community, as a general support network and hub for resources to assist our guests. We believe that everyone in our community deserves to feel cared for and valued without prejudice.

In planning the charity's activities for the year, the Trustees kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. All Trustees were briefed on the role of Trustees of Tooting Community Kitchen CIO, given copies of the governing documents of the charity and referred to the detail on the Charity Commission website related to becoming a trustee and to the guidance on public benefit.

These activities benefit our local guests by supporting food poverty and providing friendship and support to help combat loneliness as well as other services as and when need arises.

Activities

Prior to CIO registration Tooting Community Kitchen was engaging with the local community in many ways such as:

MAY 2024

Social media campaign to promote our £1 a week. This has been of our most successful to date.

Time to apply for grants and funding

Another busy start of the year with a few referrals

We have been nominated at the Wandsworth business awards in 2 different categories. Diversity & Inclusivity Champion and Best Charity Awards.

Gala dinner is on 23rd June

12th Cheque for £1500 from Charity Giving

14th Cake sale from Wimbledon Chase Primary School raised £597.38

Rebeca Coleman £700

JUNE 2024 (Busy month!)

1st We provided food for the annual fun day at the Henry Prince Estate in Tooting. A great way to promote and introduce TCK to people.

3rd Rebecca, a local resident did a run and raised £835 for us.

4th Trustee's meeting to plan the year ahead

12th Gala dinner at Wandsworth business awards in Battersea

Continued weekly support of hot food and support with food deliveries to households.

Social campaign to try to recruit new volunteers and donors

22nd 150 portions of fish donated by a fish supplier to use at The Soup Kitchen and Monday Rebel Club

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)

22nd Community Fun Day 22 June 2024 12- 5pm

Broadwater Road, Tooting SW17 0EU

we cooked dishes made from donations we get at the foodbank. A very popular event we take part every year and a very effective way to showcase the work we do at TCK.

23rd Hazlefest 2024, on The Hazlehurst Estate in Tooting, where we had a footstall and served cooked dishes, pastries. Another great event to promote TCK.

28th £200 donations from Fran at Living Water Parish Church in South Wimbledon

JULY 2024

13th

Donation of food and toiletries from White house Prep School in Balham

16th

N, who's a lady and a single mum of 3 who has been through a lot in the past few years, and we helped with food and with the kids is now in a much better place mentally and financially has decided to do the £1 donation every 2 weeks.

AUGUST 2024

Social media campaign before summer holidays to recruit volunteers for the busy winter season.

The £1 a week campaign is proving to be one of our most ways of receiving donations

11th

Refugee family fun day in Fishponds Fields where we organised activities & games for the kids and parents, candy floss food & music

19th

£500 donation from John Lewis as part of their Coupa project

And regular food donations for the foodbank from Waitrose in Balham

27th

£750 donation from Waitrose as part of Community Matters Lead at Wimbledon

Board meeting / change / CEO

CEO resigned and we appointed Gulshan Ahmed as the third trustee.

SEPTEMBER 2024

A lot of our volunteers still on holiday. But still managed to fill all rotas for various stalls, food bank and all the different services we provide

Another round of social media posts to promote our £1 a week, food donations for food bank and exploring new partnerships

We had quite a few of new volunteers started this month, lots of training took place with health & safety and food hygiene

19th

Ollie, one of our trustees and treasurer, who is a chef was asked to bake zero waste banana cake for 500 people.

This is a project with Yes Chef and a banana supplier to re-use bananas and their skins by making banana cakes and using the skins for compost and water. We did a presentation for Tesco and FareShare.

22nd

We ran a social campaign to get a freezer for Scout's Hall and within 8 hours received the full amount we needed to get it

23rd

Talk at White Eagle school in Balham with the kids who collected food for us. We explained all the work we do and amazing their donation was and how much of a difference it makes

29th

Talk and presentation at St Nicholas church in Tooting about the work we do. They collected food for us and made a big donation

OCTOBER 2024

Started promoting our winter appeal campaign with a list including socks, gloves, scarves, sleeping bags

Lots of enquiries from Students wanting to do their DofE Silver Award with us.

A lot of new volunteers joining

6th

After running a social media campaign to get a new freezer for scout's hall, we were able to buy it. It only took 8 hours to raise the money. The response we had from our community was amazing

18th

Another amazing effort from White Eagle school in Balham with the kids who collected bags and bags of food for us.

19th

We started a partnership with City Harvest London through Critical Support UK. We get a weekly delivery of surplus food collected from various stores, shops and businesses in London.

21st

£10K donation from MFS Investment Management as part of their Employee Engagement Council Donation. They sent some of their staff to volunteer for us and were so impressed by the work we so, decided to make a very generous donation

NOVEMBER 2024

We saw an increase in referrals from the council and other agencies and charities we work with.

Winter appeal campaign wish list went live for socks, scarves, gloves and warm clothing, sleeping bags...

We now have very strong team of students cooking and baking for us every week as part of their DofE Silver Award

4th

Trustees meeting.

9th

The Big Sleepout organised by DLAG, a charity from Wimbledon who we work with closely. Volunteers will sleep outside all night to experience what homeless have to go through and raise money at the same time.

20th

Comedy charity night at Wandsworth Town Hall to raise money. This is through the mayor who has chosen us as one of 3 local charities to support.

23rd

Donation from Southwest SDA Youth Church on Broadwater Rd in Tooting. They brought a lot of food collected by their parishioners and also sang. Our guests loved, they brought so much love, joy and happiness.

27th

£15,000 grant from Wandsworth Council as parts VCS Cost-of-Living Grant Fund 2024 - 2025

28th

We were invited at DONS Locals annual party and sent a few volunteers. They are one of our main sponsors

DECEMBER 2024

A lot of new volunteers have joined this month.

7th

Battersea General stores made a big food donation which was split between food stalls and food bank

13th

Big food donation from Barclay's bank in Tooting

14th

Visit from the kids and teachers at Burlington School in Tooting to our Friday foodbank to have a look at we do and brought food donations

16th

Tooting Junction Baptist Church made a cash donation of £30

17th

Kids and teachers at Sellincourt Primary in Tooting have made 80 gift bags for our guests.

18th

Grant of £1500 from London Catalyst Samaritans

18th & 21st

Burntwood School made 100 shoe boxes full of Christmas goodies for our guests. Students and teachers came to hand them out

20th

Howden Insurance and tooting Running Club who collected food and dropped it off

21st

We delivered Christmas present to 2 halfway houses we support

23rd

Sarah from Empire Heroes fund donated 40 Christmas gift bags full of goodies and festive treats for our guests.

Food donation from Franciscan Rd Primary School in Tooting.

24th

Christmas lunch at The Scout's Hall for our guests and volunteers with games, singing, dancing, gifts and a great festive spirit

Festive period

Getting ready for the busy festive seasons and working with. A few of the local schools who have offered to do parcels and gifts for our guests. Every year we try to make it special for our guests and come up various projects and activities including:

Toys and gift bags for kids

Mince pies and other festive foods were distributed to all our guests

Carol singing by local people

Social media campaign to get amazon vouchers to our guests (toiletries, sleeping bags, gloves, hats, scarves)

JANUARY 2025

The beginning of a new year at TCK and not doubt the challenges will still be here. We've had a lot of enquiries for volunteering and a few donations. We're exploring new ways of establishing relationships and partnerships within our local community and further afield.

Once again, our community has been incredibly supportive of the work we do. This year we worked with more schools, churches and mosques that have been incredibly generous to our guests.

All legal documents reviewed and updated

8th

Party at Scout's Hall for our guests and volunteers with games, singing, dancing, gifts to celebrate the beginning of 2025. Everyone was in great festive spirit. We cooked a 3 course meal and handed out presents. Everyone put so much effort and our guest were so happy.

9th

£300 donation from Charles Gassiot Charitable Trust

FEBRUARY 2025

Time to concentrate on applying for funding and planning the first half of the year.

Lots of enquiries for volunteering and people doing trial shifts.

We also had new volunteers offering to cook and bake for us

Foodbank has reached a steady 60 to 70 guests every single week.

Working on putting an exhibition together at a local art space to show all the wonderful things our guests come up with and create at The Monday Rebel Club to raise awareness about the work we do in our community and potentially raise money too.

21st

One of our guest's birthday, we organised a few cakes and celebrated with her

26th

Cards made by our volunteers from The Monday Rebel club were displayed at Sprouts Art, a local gallery in Furzedown, Tooting.

MARCH 2025

2nd

Beginning of Ramadan.

A few of our guests and volunteers will be busy with fasting and praying. We are looking at rotas to make sure we can support them

13th

Local coffee shop / wine bar Arêvery has been pledging 30p for each cup of coffee they sell. Today they donated £1000.

Krish And Joey have been great supporters and fans of TCK over the years. We are so lucky to have them in our community.

16th

Wandsworth GP Federation has nominated TCK for a donation of £3000

They are a local GP Federation in Wandsworth made up of the 38 GP Practices in Wandsworth. <https://wandsgpfed.co.uk>

Once again, donation from Southwest SDA Youth Church on Broadwater Rd in Tooting. They brought a lot of food collected by their parishioners and sang. Our guests loved, they brought so much love, joy and happiness.

APRIL 2025

We have seen quite a few new faces coming to our food stall.

This happens every year, when it is the end of the financial year and a lot of our guests have to re-apply / being re-assessed to get benefits for the coming year.

Our guests have been getting letter from local authorities and struggle to fill them out. We set up extra sessions with laptops to help out.

Quite a few enquiries from companies that want to send some of their staff to volunteer

Some of our guests seem to be going through quite tough times at the moment. It usually happens towards the end of the financial year. Food stalls, soup kitchen, food bank and workshops are busier.

9th EID party

Lunch cooked by our volunteers at Scout's Hall to celebrate Eid.

Our guests were treated to delicious homecooked food, with decorations, flowers, gifts, singing and dancing.

18th April – 21st April – Easter Weekend

Gift bags distributed for families and guests at both food stalls, food bank and soup kitchen.

Easter eggs, cinnamon buns and drinks at all our stalls.

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.

We are grateful for the many hours that volunteers have spent baking, cooking, growing produce, fundraising, driving, collecting food deliveries, serving at the stalls and at the foodbank, advising on marketing and communications, operating social media, developing food hygiene and safety policies and general advisory. We would also like to thank the students who are part of the Duke of Edinburgh scheme who give up their time weekly to help their local community.

Without this valuable contribution of time, energy and expertise we would not have been able to achieve so much.

Since moving to the Scout's Hall, we have seen the numbers of our guests grow and added more services and workshops to our operation

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Spring

Served circa 60 - 100 guests on Wednesdays and circa 130 - 150 on Saturdays, outreach in Tooting circa 25 - 40 individuals and Clapham food stall circa 25 - 40 individuals.

Food bank circa 160 - 200 individuals per week

Weekly food support for 15 - 20 families

Various workshops and soup kitchen circa 100 – 120 per week

Fundraising / grant wins

Go fund me

Summer

Served circa 60 - 80 guests on Wednesdays and circa 80 - 120 on Saturdays, outreach in Tooting circa 20 -30 individuals and Clapham food stall circa 20 - 40 individuals.

Food bank circa 180 individuals per week

Weekly food support for 12-15 families

Various workshops and soup kitchen circa 80 – 100 per week

Fundraising / grant wins

Go fund me

Autumn

Served circa 60 - 100 guests on Wednesdays and circa 120 - 150 on Saturdays, outreach in Tooting circa 30 - 40 individuals and Clapham food stall circa 25 - 35 individuals.

Food bank circa 200 individuals per week

Weekly food support for 15-20 families

Winter

Served circa 100 - 120 guests on Wednesdays and circa 160 - 180 on Saturdays, outreach in Tooting circa 40 - 50 individuals and Clapham food stall circa 30 - 40 individuals.

Food bank circa 220 individuals per week

Weekly food support for 15-20 families

Various workshops and soup kitchen circa 100 – 120 per week

Fundraising / grant wins

Warm spaces

Enable

Wimbledon Foundation

Thrale Almhouse

Private donations from local residents and businesses

£1 a week campaign

Amazon winter's list (gloves, scarves, hats...)

Foodbank donation list

Section E**Financial review****Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves**

Cash at bank as of 31st March 2025 was £63,125 in unrestricted funds.

The main financial risk to the charity is a reduction in donations from individuals and businesses.

The funds are held to cover 3 months of operational costs in the event of a loss of income and to meet any unforeseen expenditure that may occur.

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.

Our main source of funds this year has been grants and donations and we continue to actively engage with opportunities to fundraise.

We use general funds to pay for hot food which we get at discount from local food businesses in the Tooting area.

We also buy food for our soup kitchen and various workshops

Section F**Other optional information****Future Plans:**

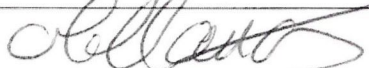
The coming year will see a continued need to provide hot food and groceries for local individuals and families in need. We anticipate an increase in demand due to inflation, a reduction in Universal Credit and energy poverty due to soaring gas and electricity costs as well as continuing fall-out from economic and food crises

Section G**Declaration**

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



22/11/2025

Full name(s)

Olivier Couillaud

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Trustee / Treasurer

Date

28th November 2025