



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 29/04/2023 Period start date To 28/04/2024 Period end date

Charity name: Single Parents Support and Advice Services

Charity registration number: 1192792

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	(A) The preservation and protection of health and the relief of poverty or need for the benefit of single parents whose relationships have broken down and their children, by: (i) providing assistance through conciliation for such single parents and providing advice and help in the settlement of differences or potential differences over associated matters such as custody and access to children and financial matters. (ii) providing or assisting in the provision of information, advice, practical, emotional and professional support and counselling; and (iii) through the provision of free legal advice and assistance to single parents who, through the lack of financial means, would be unable to obtain such advice and services. (B) To advance the education of single parents in various subjects, developing the capacity and skills of single parents in such a way that they are better able to identify, and help meet, their needs and to and to participate more fully in society.
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	We get funding to help our members with food and gas and electric. Cash never goes to the members we do a food shop or top up their smart meters. We have a charity shop in Barnsley where people can come and see us, talk to us and buy or be given clothing items.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity	Para 1.18	We can confirm that the trustees have abided by the guidance with regards to public benefit

Commission on public benefit		
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	Yes we have this
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	Yes we have this
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
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	Our main achievements in this financial period is having hubs all over the UK distributing surplus food via volunteers to the most vulnerable single parent families who have struggled to have food on their tables. This has made a massive difference to help families out of poverty. We also were granted funding to provide a care hamper of a week's shopping and essentials to families and also top up prepayment meters for single parent families who could not afford to top up.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	We were in an ok financial position and were applying for lots of grants to help our members
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	As a not for profit we don't hold reserves at this time due to getting funding that has to be spent on certain activities
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	None
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	We would like to hold reserves but never had spare money or enough donations coming in
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	None
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	The charity will keep going but certain activities may have to adapt or stop due to lack of funds or volunteers, we will always have our on-line support offered.

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	Our principal source of funds is from grant applications or from our charity shop.
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	Funding is at an all time low and hard to get but we are trying our best. Volunteers are hard to get now aswell
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	CIO 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	We select as a trustee board and vote

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	Single Parents Support and Advice Services
Other name the charity uses	SPSAS
Registered charity number	1192792
Charity's principal address	29 Market Street Barnsley S70 1RS

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	Nicola Booth			
2	Jenny Barker			
3	Gemma Murphy			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

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Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

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

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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)

Nicola Booth

Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

Chair of Trustees

Date

06/02/2025