



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01 April 2024 Period start date
To 31 March 2025 Period end date

Charity name: TOWNSEND COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Charity registration number: 1193324

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To benefit the lives of local residents and others by management of the community centre to bring together organisations to provide education, social welfare and leisure activities.
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	Grants are obtained to run a community fridge to provide additional food to residents 5 days a week. Advice/courses in cooking and food management skills are offered from time to time. A warm space is provided in winter and a convivial environment all year for craft and coffee mornings. Regular weekly lettings of the hall are to a church group, a Tibetan children's group, a dance group and Tai Chi classes. Residents also hold family occasions such as parties, wakes, and other celebrations. Income from letting averages £200 per week. The "Community Growers" project has for several years given residents the opportunity to learn how to grow their own fruit and vegetables, and to support the Community Fridge in times of plenty. The Centre also provides a base for support with school uniform purchases, a Good Neighbour scheme, and the 3Ts community support group.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

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	Going into its 6th year of operation, the Townsend Community Fridge is still our main area of activity, managed by our Community Development officer, Caroline Green and a large group of volunteers. Through the internal and external fridges, the TCF attracts an average of 70 people each day to collect supplies brought in from a wide range of supermarkets and other outlets. Where special need was identified amongst residents, additional funding and items were obtained, for example from FareShare, and also reaching out to those with other needs. Christmas marked the busiest time of the year for the Fridge project - additional food supermarkets, as well as our Toy Appeal with Lidl and opening on Christmas Eve evening to distribute the huge volume of surplus food to residents. With the Friendly Food Club, we offered workshops and demonstrations (family cooking, adult cooking evenings, air fryer and slow cooker sessions) and cooking appliances were given away to households needing support. With more residents continuing to use the centre, we are still providing a warm and welcoming space for people to meet, enjoy refreshments and generally get to know their neighbours and pass on skills and interests. A highlight in many residents' week is the hot breakfast served free of charge to residents. We have introduced a small charge for teas and coffees. Our collaborative efforts have strengthened this year, working with organisations to extend our offer at the Centre. Regular drop-ins include Citizens Advice, We Are With You (support for drug & alcohol), NHS Health Checks, Live Well Dorset, Ara (gambling support), Community Action Network (promotion of health & wellbeing), Ridgewater Energy Support, BH Live (Leisure Centre), BCP Homes. Our partnership with Skills & Learning included a Multiply Maths course, Singing for Wellbeing course, Emergency First Aid accredited course and Mental health training. Community events began with an Easter Egg hunt in the Townsend Community Growers site, still thriving and enjoyed by its regular group of enthusiasts. Work is ongoing to secure funds to rebuild some of the ageing growing planters. The Growers site continues to win awards including the BCP Homes 'Council Garden Competition' and the Keep Britain Tidy

		'Green Flag' award. In August we took another large group of adults and children to Chessington World of Adventures, and much enjoyment was had by a some older residents when we organised transport to the New Forest for afternoon tea and also to Stewarts Garden Centre at Christmas time. Other summer events for children included litter picks, habitat building, Halloween pumpkin tasting disco. In December the TCA hosted a Christmas lunch, with entertainment for our adult residents along with our legendry raffle. Our basic source of income from hiring the hall continues from Tai Chi classes, the WCI church, Molly Dancers and the Tibetan children's group, plus other shorter-term hirers. We still run Bingo, which is much enjoyed by our older residents and we have seen more family events in the hall. The discussions with BCP Council towards signing a new lease, which began in 2022, were still ongoing in March 2025. We do not anticipate that this matter will be finalised before well into 2026 due to the need to establish responsibility for historic maintenance issues.
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Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	We have ended the financial year with assets of over £61,500, of which we continue to keep £30,000 in an interest-earning deposit account, and restricted funds form 39% of the balance. With increasing running costs likely in the coming year, we are mindful that careful planning will be necessary to keep the balance between keeping the Centre viable and serving the needs of the community.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Hoping to finalise the BCP Council lease in 25/26, we decided to increase our reserves to £30,000, to be ready financially to support the much-needed refurbishments of our toilets and office facilities. We also face the general increase of service costs, and the addition of accountancy and banking fees.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£30,000

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document	Para 1.25	Constitution

(trust deed, royal charter)		
How is the charity constituted?	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	Community selection. At an AGM, one-third of our Trustees steps down each year to allow prospective Trustees to come forward, in the event that there are no vacancies. Those stepping down can go forward for re-election. The new committee of Trustees is voted in by those attending the AGM.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Townsend Community Association
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1193324
Charity's principal address	Townsend Community Centre Jewell Road Bournemouth BH8 0LT

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	Jasmin Parsons	Secretary		
2	Joan Richards	Treasurer		
3	Irene Cousin	Chair		
4	Anne Melly	Trustee		
5	Chris Graydon	Trustee		
6	Lucia Bowker	Trustee	Resigned March 2025	

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

NONE		
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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
NONE		

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)	Jasmin Parsons	Joan Richards
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Secretary	Treasurer
Date	29.08.2025	



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Charity Name
TOWNSEND COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

No (if any)
1193324

Receipts and payments accounts

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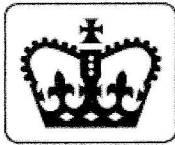
For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01.04.2024		31.03.2025

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					
Hall Hire	17,444	-	-	17,444	16,242
Grants for charitable activities	-	24,159	-	24,159	12,379
Other income for charitable activities	-	1,547	-	1,547	5,455
Income from charitable activities	2,557	-	-	2,557	-
Interest from Deposit Account	836	-	-	836	320
Other income	515	-	-	515	1,250
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	21,352	25,706	-	47,058	35,646
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	21,352	25,706	-	47,058	35,646
A3 Payments					
Services	8,778	-	-	8,778	5,538
BCP Charges & Maintenance	2,378	-	-	2,378	1,767
Charitable activities from grants	-	20,035	-	20,035	15,354
Other charitable activities	3,107	-	-	3,107	5,005
Insurance	678	-	-	678	629
Running costs	676	-	-	676	1,074
Lease costs	1,500	-	-	1,500	205
Other costs	2,833	-	-	2,833	1,177
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	19,950	20,035	-	39,985	30,749
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	19,950	20,035	-	39,985	30,749
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,402	5,671	-	7,073	4,897
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	1,402	5,671	-	7,073	4,897

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	Treasurer's Account	7,606	24,052	-
	Fixed Rate deposit account	30,000	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	37,606	24,052	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	Agreement Error	OK
Signed by one or two trustees on	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Jasmin Parsons		
		Joan M Richards		



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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

TOWNSEND COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

On accounts for the year
ended

31.3.2025

Charity no
(if any)

1193324

Set out on pages

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number (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 31/03/2025

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 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 (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with
the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material
respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of
the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection
with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a
proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date:

29.08.25

Name:

B P BEASLEY

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

AAT
AATQB

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.