

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To relieve financial hardship in Horncastle and local small villages by providing food parcels, issuing grants of money for unmet needs, providing information on support services and other activities as agreed by the trustees.
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 operate a foodbank, run our own small grants scheme and administer a small grant scheme on behalf of Horncastle Health & Wellbeing, using ringfenced funds. Provide practical support by way of homeware, toys and other mostly donated goods. We also offer advice signposting to other forms of support and advice and information.
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.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	We provide small grants to relieve financial hardship in Horncastle and surrounding villages. A grant making policy has been developed to guide current decision making.
Policy on social investment including program related	Para 1.38	N/A

investment		
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	We rely on volunteers to run our charity and most activities are carried out by locals. They provide excellent support, to ensure we support those in need within the community. We have a core of volunteers and a larger pool which we can call upon, when required or for specific projects, such as wrapping Christmas presents.
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	We have delivered 339 standard 5 day food parcels during the financial year. These supported 548 adults and 494 children. We also sent out Festive Parcels at Christmas to individuals in receipt of a food parcel referral. These contained festive foods, treats, Christmas crackers and donated and purchased gifts, which include items such as warm socks and gloves. Ensuring everyone in our community was able to celebrate. We provided 12 small grants, from our own funds. These covered items such as white goods, clothing vouchers or fuel support. We also provided 3 Home Starter packs, for those moving into accommodation with very limited possessions, these include items such as bedding, kitchenware, towels and cleaning equipment. We continue to publicise these grants to professionals working with local

		families. Working with Horncastle Health & Wellbeing Fund, we were able to administer 3 further grants for people in the district suffering from health-related conditions. The charity also set up a box held in a local hub (Shine) to support rough sleepers who seek support in town. This box contains a range of items identified by our local rough sleeping team as valuable: instant foodstuffs, water, hygiene products, clean underwear and warm socks, insulated cups, foil blankets hand warmers and sleeping bags. We work with the team at Shine to ensure rough sleepers are signposted to support. We continue to send out regular service updates to our referral partners, outlining the assistance we can provide. We also have a website and run facebook pages with over a thousand followers.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	We continue to update and where necessary implement new policies, around the work undertaken by our team. We are active members of several food charity and support networks, regularly attending meetings and summits with other charities in the district. Through these, we are able to offer support, advice and work collaboratively to ensure we maintain our ability to run efficiently. We have very close ties to several charities in the district and run shared projects.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set		Income from all sources, including grants and donations are in line with our running costs.

	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	We have an investment account, which has performed as expected and provides us with a reserve of over £20,000 to ensure the future of the charity.
Other		N/A

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity has a stable financial position, with funds available to be rolled over into the next financial year, in support of general activities and also specific projects. The reserves mentioned previously provide us with security.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22 *****	We hold reserves against our forecast levels of future activity to ensure that we can continue to support our local community to the best of our abilities, over the next financial year. Our reserves policy is to hold at least £****. Due to an increase in demand as inflation and cost of living affects our community we continue to hold a higher level of reserves. This ensures that we can continue to purchase extra food stock, as community donations into supermarket drop-off points no longer cover our needs.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£20,700 (unrestricted funds)

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	There are no issues regarding the charity continuing as a going concern.

Additional information (optional)

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The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Principle sources of funding for this financial period, included private & corporate donations, grants from govt distributed via our district council, as well as fundraising donations from organisations such as churches and community groups.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	We hold an investment policy which is reviewed regularly. We are comfortable that it reflects the charity's financial position and aims.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	We continue to maintain a risk register and continue to monitor 4 principle areas of risk; Strategic, Financial, Operational & Stakeholder. This is a recurring agenda item at our trustee meetings and we are comfortable with the current risk levels in all areas.
Other		N/A

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	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	Apart from the founding members, every trustee is appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the trustees. Trustees are rotated as per CIO governing document. In selecting individuals for appointment, the trustees have regard for the skills, knowledge and experience required for the steering and 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	We have a code of conduct and safeguarding policy, signed and acknowledged by the volunteer as part of the induction process. Additional policies are also shared as appropriate for the role, such as Safety, lone working and GDPR.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	N/A

Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	N/A
Other		N/A

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Horncastle Crisis Support Team
Other name the charity uses	Horncastle Support Team / Horncastle Community Larder
Registered charity number	1194472
Charity's principal address	c/o Community Centre Manor House Street Horncastle LN9 5HF

Profit and Loss

Horncastle Crisis Support Team For the year ended 31 March 2025

2025

Turnover

Donation - Individual	3,906.00
Donation - Organisation	658.70
Grant - restricted	10,000.00
Grant - unrestricted	5,000.00
Total Turnover	19,564.70

Cost of Sales

Cost of Goods Sold	1,362.97
Direct Expenses	35.00
Food & Provisions	16,173.98
Total Cost of Sales	17,571.95

Gross Profit

1,992.75

Administrative Costs

Advertising & Marketing	67.15
Audit & Accountancy fees	167.40
Consulting	5,265.73
Insurance	192.09
Printing & Stationery	5.83
Rent	684.75
Telephone & Internet	102.00
Travel - National	338.41
Total Administrative Costs	6,823.36

Operating Profit

(4,830.61)

Profit on Ordinary Activities Before Taxation

(4,830.61)

Profit after Taxation

(4,830.61)