



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date

From 1st April 2023 To 31st March 2024

Period end date (12 months)

Charity name: Every Cloud Swindon (CIO)

Charity registration number: 1196161

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To promote & protect the mental health of people living in and around Swindon providing facilities for engagement with the creative arts and in other such ways as the trustees see fit.
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	<p>A monthly Dementia Group (for people with dementia to engage in craft activities at the same time as facilitating a walk in the park for their carers).</p> <p>Running a therapeutic art/craft group for people with a long term health condition and/or socially isolated, referred on a social prescription or self-referral.</p> <p>A weekly therapeutic gardening group (with the reward in the summer of an receiving an outstanding community garden award from the RHS).</p> <p>Supporting Young adults with autism and /or learning difficulties gain work experience in our take-away kiosk in the courtyard.</p> <p>A fortnightly Connect to Nature walk within the park and Nature reserve and open to all.</p> <p>Family art and craft activities in school holidays throughout the year (free sessions through the summer) plus seasonal nature /story trails around the garden and park.</p> <p>Public workshops covering a range of art and crafts, in small, sociable groups for people of all ages with some or no experience, throughout the year.</p> <p>An Annual Arts, Nature & Nurture festival offering a wide-ranging programme of relevant activities.</p> <p>Art Exhibitions by local artists with free entry throughout the year.</p> <p>We accommodate use of our spaces when available in return for a small donation eg fostering</p>

		<p>service, baby yoga, Re-think and other local mental health charities.</p> <p>We serve refreshments to the visiting public at week-ends and open the garden with seating to create a relaxing, sociable space.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	We were advised by the charity commission during the registration process in Sept 2021 and are continuing to deliver and grow the public benefit commitment we made to the CC in our registration documentation.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	no
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	no
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	<p>All of our activities are supported by over 40 dedicated volunteers with both formal and informal qualifications and experience that match our charitable activities and services.</p> <p>.</p>
Other		<p>Every Cloud is a volunteer led organisation but we incur some professional fees on a sessional basis for additional professional input and for our Annual Festival.</p>

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>In 2023 the charity has delivered all of our programme of services and activities identified in our commitment to the Charity Commission, achieving the benefits associated with each activity, and we have introduced new and successful activities in response to meeting needs in the wider community, especially that of loneliness and depression with sociable Connect to Nature walks and Therapeutic Gardening sessions.</p> <p>One example from our beneficiaries is that of M. M came to us in his late thirties, having been unemployed and under his GP for about 10 years and with a list of failed placements. He presented as intelligent, friendly and a mystery as to what his needs were. He attended our art and craft group without real interest in the activities but quickly found a role in a volunteer capacity by making the teas and chatting to even the least sociably confident members and helping with the washing up at the end of the session. We invited him to meet on a one to one basis for us to learn more about his circumstances, to discuss skill set and his work history. This led to a more structured role in Every Cloud as a volunteer and he accepted the informal support offered by those who were familiar with working with people with high functioning Aspergers. He followed this up with a diagnosis. We have since then helped him understand and learn how to modulate his voice, wait until his 'foot is in door' to make on suggestions how things could be done better, and be more thoughtful before expressing any anger when he is upset. He is now working happily and successfully for a local hospice, collecting and moving furniture, 4 days per week as a volunteer, with enhanced self- awareness and in the knowledge we will still offer our support, if and when needed, to cope with life and make a success of working as an adult with Aspergers.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Throughout 2023 we have had to rely on what has been carried over in our bank account to fully support our programme of activities and services. There have been many constraints described in Financial review Para.1. 23 and Para.1.47

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 had an in-year deficit and an expensive programme of work needed at the end of this period (March 31 2023) when a new lease was finally agreed.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	n/a
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	0
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	As above
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	In December 2023 the Trustees acknowledged we would be financially unsustainable in continuing to operate into 2024 and made a decision to close with effect from January 2024. This was because we were unable to negotiate a new 5 year lease with Swindon Borough Council whose terms and conditions were wholly unreasonable and who would not discuss the matter throughout 2023 (despite being under a 12 month Tenancy at Will that we had requested for more time to try and find a compromise and with a 'fait a compe' to to pay the electricity bill of £5,700 during this 12 month period including the whole site and other tenants. In Feb 2024 Swindon Councillors challenged the officers and negotiated on our behalf a new 5 year lease on acceptable terms and conditions and which was signed off by both parties on April 24 th 2024.

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 fundraising was very constrained throughout 2023 because of the following circumstances: 1) severe deterioration in the condition of the Farmhouse as our base, due to lack of any regular maintenance by SBC. This was confirmed by SBC's own surveyors
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		<p>who recommended we vacate building but which left us without fund-raising via our week-end tea room.</p> <p>2) Without any security of tenure it was impossible to apply for grants support.</p> <p>3) Donations from other organisations for the use of our spaces in the Farmhouse was also a loss.</p>
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	<p>We invest in making our services accessible to all by not charging our direct beneficiaries any fees to attend our own groups nor the family summer activities. There is also a covenant on the Park that access should be free to all ie no parking fees</p>
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	<p>We had produced a document in October 2023 to evidence the enormous amount of public benefit we had offered throughout our tenure. This prompted SBC Councillors to respond early in 2024, after our closure in mid-December 2023, and we were persuaded to start up again.</p> <p>As the Farmhouse had been condemned, we needed to embark on further works to upgrade our earlier renovation of the Barn in 2020 in order to create a more comfortable experience for all users – all Every Cloud groups, events and the public – using what money we still had in the bank and hoping to be awarded some grant support going forward.</p> <p><i>Foot note</i> we completed the work, including work for a café in the Barn and managed to re-open May 25th 2024 hoping to re-build our very depleted finances via renewed fund-raising and grants.</p>
Other		<p>A very satisfying year in what we achieved for public benefit but a very stressful year for the Trustees.</p>

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Foundation model of CIO Charitable Incorporated Organisation whose only voting members are its charity trustees
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	The trustees as a body can select individuals for appointment as charity trustees with their prior consent and with 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 induction and training of new trustees starts with the provision of the following information – current version of Constitution and latest annual report and statement of accounts; and an introduction to all personnel ie those on the activities programme sub-committee, other volunteers and self- employed sessional workers; followed by opportunities to attend all our activities to see for themselves how we operate: and offer an understanding how the charity fulfils its purpose and delivers public benefit in order to make a contribution to strategic planning, oversight and the development of policies and procedures at trustee meetings.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	Trustees and a sub-committee to consult both ways ref any agenda items and with at least 1 trustee present at all sub-committee meetings.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

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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	Helen Weedon	Rotating Chair		Trustees as a body
2	Martin Hambidge	ditto		ditto
3	Anne Billingham	Treasurer		ditto
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved N/A

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity N/A

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others N/A

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
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
N/A		

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

N/A

Exemptions from disclosure N/A

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)	<i>ABillingham</i>	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	
Date	5 th January 2025	

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: CE026903 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1196161

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024
for
Every Cloud (Swindon) CIO

Chris Vaughan
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Every Cloud (Swindon) CIO

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for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The charity aims to promote the mental health of people living in or around Swindon by providing facilities for engagement with the creative arts and in such other ways as the trustees see fit.

Public benefit

The trustees have taken note of the Charity Commissioners guidance with regard to the charity promoting its objectives for the public benefit.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

The charity is governed by its constitution which was adopted on 15th October 2021. The charity is a "Foundation" model CIO.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

CE026903 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1196161

Registered office

284 Marlborough Road
Swindon
Wiltshire
SN1 1NR

Trustees

A Billingham
M L Hambidge
H Weedon Chair

Company Secretary

Independent Examiner

Chris Vaughan
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Advisers

Bankers
Co-operative Bank

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 14 August 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Every Cloud (Swindon) CIO

Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'H Weedon', written in a cursive style.

H Weedon - Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Every Cloud (Swindon) CIO

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Every Cloud (Swindon) CIO ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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.

Christopher Vaughan

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14 August 2024

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Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

		Year Ended 31.3.24 Unrestricted fund £	Period 15.10.21 to 31.3.23 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	Notes		
Donations and legacies		1,683	5,645
Other trading activities	2	7,617	22,693
Other income		750	9,131
Total		10,050	37,469
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds		6,898	5,959
Charitable activities			
Creative arts provision		6,585	16,325
Total		13,483	22,284
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(3,433)	15,185
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		15,185	-
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		11,752	15,185

The notes form part of these financial statements

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Balance Sheet
31 March 2024

	Notes	31.3.24 Unrestricted fund £	31.3.23 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank		12,040	15,491
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	5	(288)	(306)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>11,752</u>	<u>15,185</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		11,752	15,185
NET ASSETS		<u>11,752</u>	<u>15,185</u>
FUNDS	6		
Unrestricted funds		<u>11,752</u>	<u>15,185</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>11,752</u>	<u>15,185</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2024.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 14 August 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:



H Weedon - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Year Ended 31.3.24 £	Period 15.10.21 to 31.3.23 £
Tea shop receipts	335	6,150
Art sales	7,282	15,989
Craft workshop income	-	554
	<u>7,617</u>	<u>22,693</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2024 nor for the period ended 31 March 2023.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2024 nor for the period ended 31 March 2023.

4. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	
Donations and legacies	5,645
Other trading activities	22,693
Other income	9,131
Total	37,469
EXPENDITURE ON	
Raising funds	5,959
Charitable activities	
Creative arts provision	16,325
Total	22,284
NET INCOME	15,185
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	15,185

5. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.24 £	31.3.23 £
Accrued expenses	288	306

6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	15,185	(3,433)	11,752
TOTAL FUNDS	15,185	(3,433)	11,752

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	10,050	(13,483)	(3,433)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>10,050</u>	<u>(13,483)</u>	<u>(3,433)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.23 £
Unrestricted funds		
General fund	15,185	15,185
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>15,185</u>	<u>15,185</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	37,469	(22,284)	15,185
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>37,469</u>	<u>(22,284)</u>	<u>15,185</u>

7. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2024.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

	Year Ended 31.3.24 £	Period to 31.3.23 £	15.10.2	1
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS				
Donations and legacies				
Gifts	-	(3)		
Donations	1,683	1,605		
Grants	-	4,043		
	<u>1,683</u>	<u>5,645</u>		
Other trading activities				
Tea shop receipts	335	6,150		
Art sales	7,282	15,989		
Craft workshop income	-	554		
	<u>7,617</u>	<u>22,693</u>		
Other income				
Other income	750	86		
Every Cloud Arts and Crafts Limited	-	9,045		
	<u>750</u>	<u>9,131</u>		
Total incoming resources	<u>10,050</u>	<u>37,469</u>		
EXPENDITURE				
Other trading activities				
Tea shop refreshments	529	4,577		
Artists' fees	6,369	1,382		
	<u>6,898</u>	<u>5,959</u>		
Charitable activities				
Insurance	315	522		
Sundries	630	-		
Materials	656	535		
No description	-	6,314		
Volunteer expenses	169	1,297		
Repairs and renewals	41	9		
	<u>1,811</u>	<u>8,677</u>		
Support costs				
Management				
Occupancy costs	1,336	4,451		
Administration costs	769	1,330		
Carried forward	2,105	5,781		

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

	Year Ended 31.3.24 £	Period to 31.3.23 £	15.10.2	1
Management				
Brought forward	2,105	5,781		
Professional fees	2,669	1,867		
	<u>4,774</u>	<u>7,648</u>		
Total resources expended	<u>13,483</u>	<u>22,284</u>		
Net (expenditure)/income	<u>(3,433)</u>	<u>15,185</u>		

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