

COCOON - CARE AFTER CARE

England & Wales · Charity number 1197058

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2021-12-13

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: TO PROVIDE SUPPORT TO AND RELIEVE THE HARDSHIP OF YOUNG PEOPLE WHO ARE, OR HAVE BEEN, IN LOCAL AUTHORITY CARE, PARTICULARLY IN THE SOUTHEAST OF ENGLAND, AND ESPECIALLY IN THE LONDON BOROUGH OF RICHMOND UPON THAMES, INCLUDING BY MEANS OF GRANTS OR OTHER FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, ADVICE, GUIDANCE, AND PRACTICAL ASSISTANCE, AND THE ORGANISATION OF AN ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DAY EVENT.

Activities: We support care-experienced young people who were in local authority care in or live/study/work in the London Boroughs of Richmond, Kingston, and Hounslow. We offer practical and financial support to improve living conditions, achieve aspirations, and reduce feelings of isolation at a critical life stage; support that may not be available elsewhere. We also provide an annual Christmas Day event.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Other Finance, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** LOCAL
- Hounslow
- Kingston Upon Thames
- Richmond Upon Thames

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£123,573	£137,551	-	-
2023-12-31	£108,159	£82,898	-	-
2022-12-31	£148,118	£66,727	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
EWEN MITCHELL		2021-12-10
FLORIDA YACOB		2021-12-10
Joyce Aghogho Akpogheneta		2022-11-04
Nicholas Alexander Turk		2024-07-02
Sharon Eyre		2024-03-28
WHITNEY ELIZABETH CLARK		2022-01-31
William Anthony Hoyle		2024-01-23
ZOE ANN SARGENT		2021-12-10

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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Cocoon Care After Care

No (if any)
1197058

CC16a

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from 01/01/2024 To 31/12/2024

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	62,762	6,624	-	69,386	58,072
Grants	51,500	-	-	51,500	44,000
Fundraising events	2,389	-	-	2,389	5,538
Other receipts	298	-	-	298	549
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	116,949	6,624	-	123,573	108,159
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	116,949	6,624	-	123,573	108,159
A3 Payments					
Charitable Activities (excluding Christmas Day Event)	97,703	11,202	-	108,905	66,795
Christmas Day Event Prior Year	4,925	-	-	4,925	5,582
Christmas Day Event Current Year	3,781	4,515	-	8,296	7,904
Overhead and Administrative Expenses	4,680	-	-	4,680	2,617
Employment Costs	10,745	-	-	10,745	-
Sub total	121,834	15,717	-	137,551	82,898
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	121,834	15,717	-	137,551	82,898
Net of receipts/(payments)	(4,885)	(9,093)	-	(13,978)	25,261
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	96,360	10,292	-	106,652	81,391
Cash funds at year end	91,475	1,199	-	92,674	106,652

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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Bank Account	91,475	1,199	-
	Total cash funds	91,475	1,199	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

OK	OK	OK
Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £

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	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

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



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	Charity Name Cocoon Care After Care		
On accounts for the year ended	31 December 2024	Charity no (if any)	1197058
Set out on pages	Form CC16a <small>(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)</small>		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

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:**

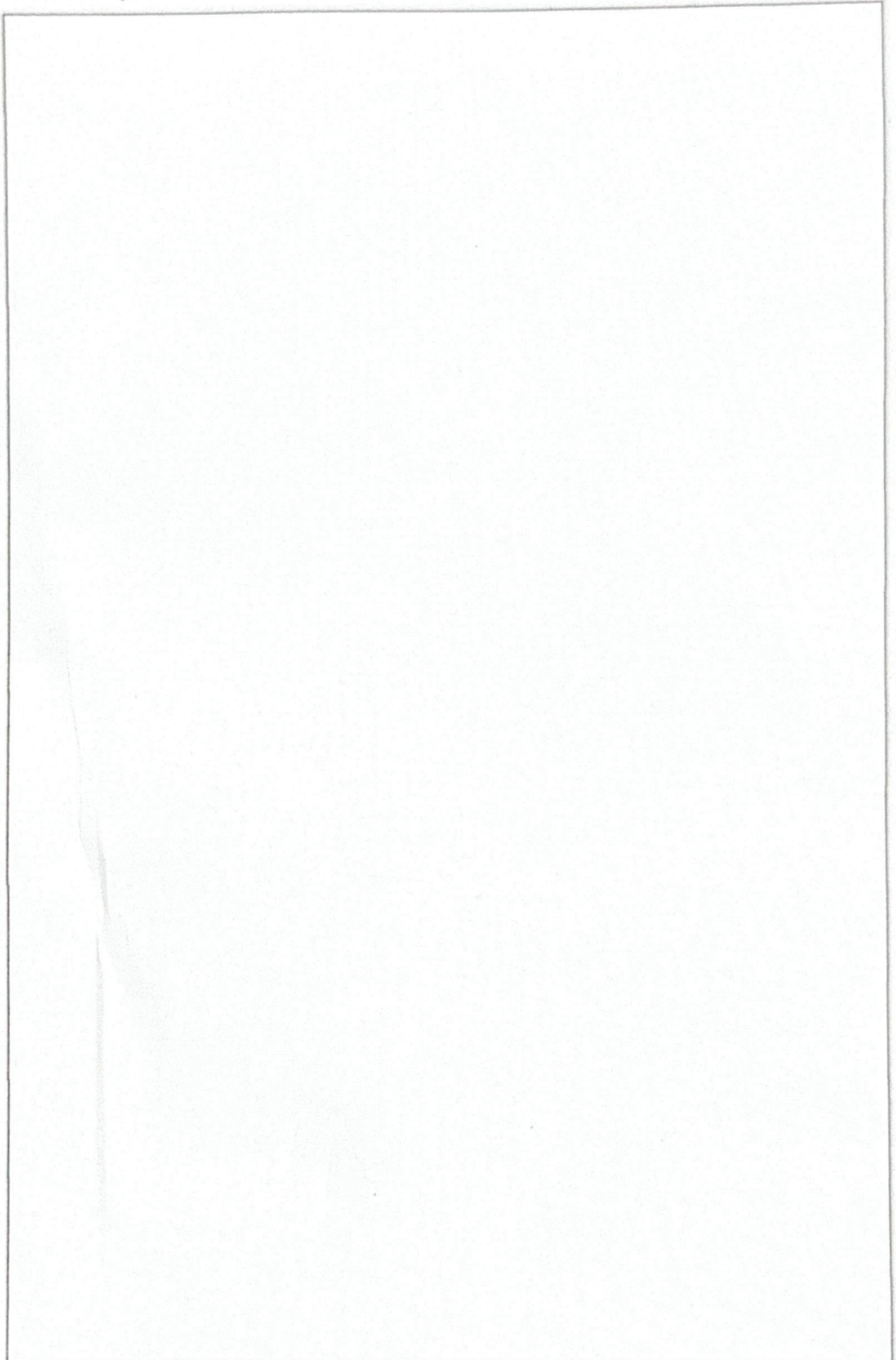
Name:

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

Address:

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.



COCOON - CARE AFTER CARE

England & Wales - Charity number 1197058

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

		Period start date			Period end date		
From	1st	January	2023	To	31st	December	2023

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Cocoon – Care After Care

Other names charity is known by Cocoon

Registered charity number (if any) 1197058

Charity's principal address

Oriel House
 26 The Quadrant
 Richmond Upon Thames
Postcode TW9 1DL

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not fo whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Emilia Marshall	Treasurer	resigned 31/12/2023	
2	Ewen Mitchell	Secretary		
3	Florida Yacob			
4	Zoe Sargent			
5	Whitney Clark			
6	Joyce Akpogheneta			
7.	Dorivaldo Ernesto		resigned 12/09/2023	

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)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)

Trustee selection methods
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

Appointed by Trustee Board

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 Charity became a registered charity, number 1197058, on 13 December 2021. The Charity is constituted as a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) and governed by a CIO foundation model constitution dated 12 December 2021. The trustees met 5 times during the period. New trustees are appointed by the existing trustees. During the period, two new trustees were appointed. New trustees are appointed for a term of three years by a resolution passed at a meeting of the Charity's trustees. Trustees are eligible for reappointment at the end of their current term.

Section C

Objectives and activities

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

The purpose of the Charity is to provide support to and relieve the hardship of young adults who are, or have been, in local authority care, particularly in the south-east of England, and especially in the London Boroughs of Richmond Upon Thames, Kingston Upon Thames and Hounslow. The Charity provides support by a) providing items that will improve living conditions, support aspirations and contribute to their (and their children's) health; b) offering practical assistance via volunteers; c) providing guidance and support to access other services; d) social events to reduce isolation including the annual Cocoon Christmas Day.

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)

The trustee's carry out the above charitable objects by:

- Providing items and covering costs to contribute to care-experienced young adults' personal and educational development. This year we have financed vocational courses, driving lessons, study equipment, musical instruments and sports clothing and equipment.
- Improving the accommodation of care-experienced young adults by providing new flooring, white goods, furniture, household appliances and home repairs.
- Providing bicycles, baby or child essential items, basic essential winter clothing.
- Hosting an annual Christmas Day Dinner in the borough of Richmond Upon Thames for more than 50 care experienced young adults on 25th December.
- Providing short and long-term practical help with tasks they find challenging to do alone including making applications, liaising with agencies, dealing with debt, accessing additional services to support their health and wellbeing and making home improvements.

Applications for assistance are granted on a case-by-case basis in line with our application policy.

The trustees confirm that they have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefits when planning the Charity's activities and reviewing applications.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

The Charity has an application sub-committee who are responsible for reviewing applications against our applications policy. The sub-committee report back regularly to the full board of trustees.

The trustees would like to thank all our volunteers who have helped make our work possible this year, and all individuals and businesses who donated items throughout the year.

You may choose to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

During the period, Cocoon – Care After Care has provided items and covered costs for 116 young adults who did not have the means to provide for themselves. Our support has had an impact on their quality of life by providing immediate relief from hardship; increasing their education and employment prospects and removing financial barriers to activities that improve health and well-being.

Through feedback that we routinely collect from beneficiaries we know that the support they have received from Cocoon – Care After Care has made a significant difference to their mental health, helped to reduce feelings of isolation and increased their support and social network.

During the period, the Charity has provided for:

- ✓ Flooring for 36 properties
- ✓ 86 large household items (furniture and white goods)
- ✓ 54 small household items and appliances
- ✓ 23 bikes for college students
- ✓ 200 hours of driving lessons
- ✓ As well as study equipment, sports kit, musical instruments, emergency dental treatment and winter clothing, school uniform and swimming lessons.

Our small team of volunteers provided practical assistance to 22 individuals. Tasks including painting and decorating; assembling furniture; deep cleaning a property; referrals to food, hygiene and baby bank; advocating on their behalf with councils, utility companies, bailiffs and housing providers; accompanying to hospital appointments; referrals to other supporting agencies (including Homestart parenting support and ARC drug and alcohol service).

In 2024, a priority is to recruit more volunteers so we can extend our offer of practical support as there is a clear need for this service.

Christmas Day Event

The Charity hosted the Christmas Day Event 2023 for more than 50 care-experienced young adults and their 10 children from the London Boroughs of Richmond Upon Thames, Kingston Upon Thames, and Hounslow.

The Christmas Day Event is an all-day event, with all guests receiving a full Christmas meal and a wide variety of entertainment and activities to get involved with throughout the day. Each guest also received high-quality Christmas presents and a hamper of essential food and toiletry items.

The Charity strives to get as much of the food, hampers, presents and entertainment donated as possible through the generous support of the local community. During the reporting period, Cocoon incurred payments of £13,486 in relation to the Christmas Day Event, this included £5,582 costs which came in in January 2023, relating to the 2022 Christmas Event. It is anticipated that costs in the region of £5,000 relating to the 2023 Christmas Day Event will be received in January 2024.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

At the end of the period, the Charity had reserves of £106,652, of which £10,292 were restricted.

The Charity's reserves fluctuate throughout the calendar year as most fundraising activity (including donations and grant income) happens during the last quarter of the calendar year, October to December. The reserves policy for the period set out that reserves must be maintained at a minimum of £35,000 throughout the period, to ensure the Charity can meet all commitments. The charity's cost base is flexible, with few fixed costs and therefore the minimum amount of reserves needed to continue as a going concern is low. The reserves policy set a target of £30,000 to £45,000 for the end of period, knowing that reserves would increase in the last quarter of 2023 and to enable the charity to continue its charitable activities through the first of 9 months of 2024 when receipts are lower.

The Charity's actual level of reserves of £106,652 at the end of the period exceeded the target level because of higher than forecast receipts in the last quarter of 2023, and some payments forecast to be incurred in 2023, falling into early 2024. The higher level of reserves will allow the Charity to fund more charitable activity in 2024. The charity is planning to employ a CEO in 2024 which will be partially funded from reserves with the remainder coming from grant applications.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant about:

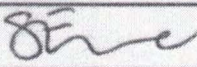
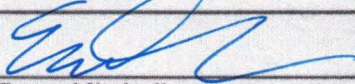
- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Sharon Eyre	Ewen Mitchell
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	Secretary
Date	31/10/2024	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Cocoon Care After Care

No (if any)
1197868

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 01/01/2023	To	Period end date 31/12/2023
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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					
Donations	51,937	6,135	-	58,072	109,357
Grants	33,000	11,000	-	44,000	36,000
Fundraising events	5,538	-	-	5,538	1,934
Other receipts	549	-	-	549	827
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	91,024	17,135	-	108,159	148,118
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	91,024	17,135	-	108,159	148,118
A3 Payments					
Charitable activities (excluding Christmas Day Dinner)	57,958	8,837	-	66,795	50,140
Christmas Day Dinner 2022 (2021)	5,582	-	-	5,582	4,265
Christmas Day Dinner 2023 (2022)	4,898	3,006	-	7,904	9,847
Overhead and administrative expenses	2,617	-	-	2,617	2,475
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	71,055	11,843	-	82,898	66,727
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	71,055	11,843	-	82,898	66,727
Net of receipts/(payments)	19,969	5,292	-	25,261	81,391
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	76,391	5,000	-	81,391	-
Cash funds this year end	96,360	10,292	-	106,652	81,391

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		-	-	-
	Bank Account	96,630	10,292	-
	Total cash funds	96,630	10,292	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

Admitted Error OK Other



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

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

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Laptops		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	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
	SHARON EIRE	29/10/2024
	EWEN MITCHELL	29/10/2024



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Cocoon - Care After Care

On accounts for the year ended

31 December 2023

Charity no (if any)

1197058

Set out on pages

Form CC16a as signed on 29th October 2024

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2023.

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.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *)

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect, the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or

2. to which, in my opinion, 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:

[Signature]

Date:

30/10/2024

Name:

Mital Vinodrai Dwarkadas

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body

Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA)

(if any):

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Address:

Withheld for privacy reasons

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.

N/A

COCOON - CARE AFTER CARE

England & Wales - Charity number 1197058

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COCOON - CARE AFTER CARE

Charity number: 1197058

Annual Report for the period ended 31 December 2022

Reference and administrative information

Charity name

Cocoon – Care After Care

Charity registration number

1197058

Charity address

Oriel House

26 The Quadrant

Richmond upon Thames

TW9 1DL

Trustees

Dorivaldo Ernesto (appointed 10 December 2021)

Emilia Marshall (appointed 10 December 2021)

Ewen Mitchell (appointed 10 December 2021)

Florida Yacob (appointed 10 December 2021)

Sian Thomas (appointed 10 December 2021; resigned 18 April 2023)

Zoe Sargent (appointed 10 December 2021)

Whitney Clark (appointed 31 January 2022)

Joyce Akpogheneta (appointed 4 November 2022)

Trustee's Report

for the period 13 December 2021 to 31 December 2022

The trustee's present their annual report and financial statements for the period 13 December 2021 to 31 December 2022 for Cocoon – Care After Care (also referred to in this report as “Cocoon” and “the Charity”).

The financial statements have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis in accordance with the Charities Act 2011.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Charitable purpose

The purpose of the Charity is to provide support to and relieve the hardship of young people who are, or have been, in local authority care, particularly in the south-east of England, and especially in the London Borough of Richmond Upon Thames. The Charity provides support by means of grants or other financial assistance, advice, guidance, and practical assistance. Cocoon – Care After Care also organises the annual Richmond Upon Thames Christmas Day Dinner (now known as ‘Cocoon Christmas Day’).

Charitable activities and public benefit

The trustee's carry out the above charitable objects by:

- Providing funding for care-experienced young people to promote their personal and educational development. This year we have funded vocational courses, driving lessons, tutoring and other lessons.
- Improving the accommodation of care-experienced young people through funding new flooring, white goods, furniture, household appliances and home repairs.
- Providing funding for bicycles, baby or child essential items, basic essential winter clothing, sports kits and other financial assistance.
- Hosting an annual Christmas Day Dinner in the borough of Richmond Upon Thames for more than 50 care leavers on 25th December
- Providing short and long-term practical help with challenges from filling in forms to dealing with debt and housing issues and accessing additional services to support their health and wellbeing.

Applications for funding and assistance is granted on a case-by-case basis in line with our application policy.

The trustees confirm that they have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when planning the Charity's activities and reviewing funding applications.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Grants and other financial assistance

During the period, Cocoon – Care After Care has successfully supported care-experienced young people by providing financial and practical assistance. Our support has had an impact on their quality of life, either through immediate relief from hardship or increasing their education and employment prospects.

Through feedback that we routinely collect from beneficiaries we know that the support they have received from Cocoon – Care After Care has made a significant difference to their mental health, helped to reduce feelings of isolation and increase their support network.

During the period, the Charity has provided funding for:

- ✓ Carpeting of 18 properties
- ✓ 47 household appliances
- ✓ 17 items of furniture
- ✓ 10 bikes for college students
- ✓ 250 hours of driving lessons
- ✓ 50 hours of swimming lessons
- ✓ 18 hours of tutoring
- ✓ 2 vocational courses
- ✓ As well as study equipment, sports kit, emergency dental work, and winter clothing.

Richmond Upon Thames Christmas Day Dinner

The Charity hosted the 2022 Richmond Upon Thames Christmas Day Dinner for more than 50 care leavers and their 14 children from the London Boroughs of Richmond Upon Thames, Kingston Upon Thames, and Hounslow.

The Christmas Day Dinner is an all-day event, with all the guests receiving a full Christmas meal and a wide variety of entertainment and activities to get involved with throughout the day. Each guest also received a hamper of essential toiletries and food, and Christmas presents to take home.

The Charity strives to get as much of the food, hampers, presents and entertainment donated as possible through the generous support of the local community. During the reporting period, Cocoon incurred payments of £14,111 in relation to Christmas Day Dinner. Some payments relating to the 2022 Christmas Day Dinner will be incurred in early 2023.

The Richmond Upon Thames Christmas Day Dinner has been renamed to Cocoon Christmas Day from 2023 onwards.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Receipts and payments

During the period ended 31 December 2022, Cocoon received total receipts of £148,118. This includes donation income of £109,357 (including eligible gift aid), grant income of £36,000 and income of £1,934 from fundraising events held during the period. The Charity received a one-off receipt from the

voluntary community group who previously organised the annual Richmond Upon Thames Christmas Day Dinner of £57,236. This is included within the total donations figure reported.

Cocoon incurred total payments during the period of £66,727. Payments of £50,140 were spent on providing grants and financial assistance, £14,111 was spent on the Christmas Day Dinners and £2,476 was incurred in relation to overhead and administrative expenses.

This is the Charity's first period, thus there are no comparative figures available in this report or the financial statements.

The value of goods and services donated to Cocoon is not reported in the total receipts and payments figures.

Reserves

At the end of the period, the Charity had unrestricted reserves of £76,391.

The Charity's reserves fluctuate throughout the calendar year as the majority of our fundraising activity (including donations and grant income) happens during the last quarter of the calendar year, September to December. The reserves policy for the period set out that reserves must be maintained at a minimum of £5,000 throughout the period, to ensure the Charity can meet all commitments. The charity's cost base is flexible, with few fixed costs and therefore the minimum amount of reserves needed to continue as a going concern is low. The reserves policy set a target of £30,000 to £45,000 for the end of period, knowing that reserves would increase in the last quarter of 2022 and to enable the charity to continue its charitable activities through the first of 9 months of 2023 when receipts are lower.

The Charity's actual level of reserves of £76,391 at the end of the period exceeded the target level as a result of higher than forecast receipts in the last quarter of 2022, and some payments forecast to be incurred in 2022, falling into early 2023. The higher level of reserves will allow the Charity to fund more charitable activity in 2023.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Charity became a registered charity, number 1197058, on 13 December 2021. The Charity is constituted as a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) and governed by a CIO foundation model constitution dated 12 December 2021.

The trustees met 5 times during the period. New trustees are appointed by the existing trustees. During the period, two new trustees were appointed. New trustees are appointed for a term of three years by a resolution passed at a meeting of the Charity's trustees. Trustees are eligible for reappointment at the end of their current term.

The Charity has a grant making sub-committee who are responsible for reviewing grant applications against our grant making policy. The sub-committee report back regularly to the full board of trustees.

The trustees would like to thank all of our volunteers who have helped make our work this year possible, and all individuals and businesses who donated items throughout the year.

Approved by the trustees on 02 June 2023 and signed on their behalf by:

Emilia Marshall

EMILIA MARSHALL

Ewen Mitchell

EWEN MITCHELL



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

COCOON - CARE AFTER CARE

On accounts for the year
ended

31/12/2022

Charity no
(if any)

1197058

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *)

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, 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:

05/06/2023

Name:

Charles Osei, BSc (Hons), MSc, ACIE, AFA, ATA, MCIPP

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

Association of Charity Independence Examiners

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

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

N/A

Receipts and Payments Accounts

For the period from the 13th December 2021 to 31 December 2022

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds
	£	£	£
<u>Receipts</u>			
Donations	109,357	-	109,357
Grants	31,000	5,000	36,000
Fundraising events	1,934	-	1,934
Other receipts	827	-	827
Total receipts	143,118	5,000	148,118
<u>Payments</u>			
Charitable activities (excluding Christmas Day Dinner)	50,140	-	50,140
Christmas Day Dinner 2021	4,265	-	4,265
Christmas Day Dinner 2022	9,847	-	9,847
Overhead and administrative expenses	2,475	-	2,475
Total payments	66,727	-	66,727
<u>Asset and investment purchases</u>			
Asset and investment purchases	-	-	-
<u>Net of receipts and payments</u>	76,391	5,000	81,391
<u>Cash funds at period end</u>	76,391	5,000	81,391

COCOON - CARE AFTER CARE
Charity number: 1197058

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

At end of period from the 13th December 2021 to 31 December 2022

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Cash funds	76,391	5,000	81,391
Assets (gifted to the charity): Laptops and computer equipment	-	2,401	2,401

Signed on behalf of all trustees by:



3/6/23

Ewen Mitchell
(Secretary)



03/06/2023

Emilia Marshall
(Treasurer)

Notes to the accounts

1 Accounting policies

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

2 CIO

No guarantees have been given by the CIO during the period.

Cocoon - Care After Care does not have any debt outstanding at 31 December 2022 which is secured by a charge against the CIO's assets.

3 Trustees

No Trustees received any remuneration for their role as Trustee of Cocoon - Care After Care during the period. Expenses of £47 were reimbursed to 2 Trustees during the period.

All attendees of the Christmas Day Dinner receive gifts on the day. This included two trustees in 2022.