



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 29/12/2021

To

01/07/2022

Charity name: London Speakers Union

Charity registration number: 1197303

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	For the public benefit, to advance the education of university students in the Greater London Area through the delivery of an events programme including speeches in subjects including, but not exclusive to; Politics/Current Affairs, Business, Finance, Sports, And Culture and Careers in those subjects. Such purposes shall in all respects and at all times be construed and promoted in an impartial, objective, balanced, and independent manner observing strict political neutrality.
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	Hosting events with high-profile speakers from politics, business, sports and the arts that are free to attend for students at London higher education institutions. Corporate sponsorship will be used to fund these events.
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 constantly had regard for the guidance provided on public benefit by the Charity Commission.

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
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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	The Charity had difficulties getting itself off the ground; significant work was put into liaising with university departments in Greater London (over forty contacted) but with little success in getting them to engage. A non-trustee was substantively involved in helping the trustees with the above work and a politics events team of volunteers was established but the onset of exams prevented much work before the end of the 2022 academic year. As all the trustees are no longer students in the Greater London area and have been unable to create momentum behind London Speakers Union, we plan to close the charity and delist it from the charities register in the coming weeks (this document being filed in April 2023 as per the Commission's guidelines).
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Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity has zero monetary income or expenditure
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	No reserves held throughout financial period; if held, would have been for the purpose of facilitating future events and marketing.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£0
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	No income
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	No funds materially in deficit
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	The charity will be closing soon for several reasons: 1) difficulties getting university departments to engage and help us promote our activities to students; 2) the ensuing lack of momentum achieved; and 3) all three trustees no longer being students in Greater London.

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	Foundation CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled	Para 1.25	The current trustees would jointly make any decisions for appointing new trustees. In selecting individuals for such an appointment, the charity trustees would have regard to the skills, knowledge and

to appoint one or more trustees		experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.
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Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	London Speakers Union
Other name the charity uses	NA
Registered charity number	1197303
Charity's principal address	Feygate, The Drive, Bosham, West Sussex, United Kingdom, PO18 8JG

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	Luke Farmer	Founding Trustee/ Chair		
2	Lennard Metson	Founding Trustee		
3	Manas Chawla	Founding Trustee		

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

Director name		
NA		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
NA		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	NA
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	NA
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	NA

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

The Charity plans to submit the necessary documents for closure of the charity and delisting from the charities register within the next month.

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>Luke Farmer</i>	
Full name(s)	LUKE ELLIS FARMER	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	
Date	22/04/23	



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Charity Name
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No (if any)
1197303

Receipts and payments accounts


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For the period from	Period Start Date 12/31/2021	To	Period End Date 07/01/2022
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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					
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sub total	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total receipts	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
A3 Payments					
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sub total	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sub total	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total payments	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net of receipts/(payments)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
A5 Transfers between funds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
A6 Cash funds last year end	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash funds this year end	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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	N/A	0.00	0.00	0.00
	N/A	0.00	0.00	0.00
	N/A	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Total cash funds	0.00	0.00	0.00
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	N/A	0.00	0.00	0.00
	N/A	0.00	0.00	0.00
	N/A	0.00	0.00	0.00
	N/A	0.00	0.00	0.00
	N/A	0.00	0.00	0.00
	N/A	0.00	0.00	0.00
	N/A	0.00	0.00	0.00
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		N/A	0.00	0.00
		N/A	0.00	0.00
		N/A	0.00	0.00
		N/A	0.00	0.00
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		N/A	0.00	0.00
		N/A	0.00	0.00
		N/A	0.00	0.00
		N/A	0.00	0.00
		N/A	0.00	0.00
		N/A	0.00	0.00
		N/A	0.00	0.00
		N/A	0.00	0.00
		N/A	0.00	0.00
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		N/A	0.00	N/A
		N/A	0.00	N/A
		N/A	0.00	N/A
		N/A	0.00	N/A
		N/A	0.00	N/A
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
			LUKE ELLIS FARMER	22/04/23