



**CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

## **Trustees' Annual Report for the period**

**From**            **02/07/2023**                      **To**                      **01/07/2024**

**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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| <p>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.</p> | <p>Para 1.20</p> | <p>N/A – charity has been inactive and will close.</p> |
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## Financial Review

|   |                  |  |
|---|------------------|--|
| <p>Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period</p>              | <p>Para 1.21</p> | <p>The charity has zero monetary income or expenditure</p>   |
| <p>Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held</p>   | <p>Para 1.22</p> | <p>No reserves held throughout financial period; if held, would have been for the purpose of facilitating future events and marketing.</p> |
| <p>Amount of reserves held</p>  | <p>Para 1.22</p> | <p>£0</p>  |
| <p>Reasons for holding zero reserves</p>  | <p>Para 1.22</p> | <p>No income</p>   |
| <p>Details of fund materially in deficit</p>  | <p>Para 1.24</p> | <p>No funds materially in deficit</p>  |
| <p>Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern</p> | <p>Para 1.23</p> | <p>Charity will close</p>  |

## Structure, Governance and Management

|  |                  |  |
|--|------------------|--|
| <p>Description of charity's trusts:</p>  |                  |  |
| <p>Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)</p>  | <p>Para 1.25</p> | <p>Constitution</p>  |
| <p>How is the charity constituted? (e.g. unincorporated association, CIO)</p>  | <p>Para 1.25</p> | <p>Foundation CIO</p>  |
| <p>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</p> | <p>Para 1.25</p> | <p>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 experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.</p> |

## 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    | Trustee/ Chair  |                                   |   |
| 2 | Lennard Metson | Trustee         |                                   |   |
| 3 | Manas Chawla   | 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

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

|              |             |              |             |                                     |       |      |          |
|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|-------------------------------------|-------|------|----------|
| Signature(s) | Luke Farmer | Full name(s) | LUKE FARMER | Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc) | CHAIR | Date | 27/08/25 |
|              |             |              |             |                                     |       |      |          |





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Charity Name  
London Speakers Union

No (if any)  
1197303

## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period  
from

Period Start Date  
02/07/2023

To

Period end date  
01/07/2024

### Section A Receipts and payments

|   | Unrestricted<br>funds<br>to the nearest £ | Restricted<br>funds<br>to the nearest £ | Endowment<br>funds<br>to the nearest £ | Total funds<br>to the nearest £ | Last year<br>to the nearest £ |
|---|---|---|--|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>A1 Receipts</b>                                    |   |   |  |                                 |                               |
|   | 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                          |
| <b>Sub total</b> (Gross income for AR)                | 0.00                                      | 0.00                                    | 0.00                                   | 0.00                            | 0.00                          |
| <b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>    |   |   |  |                                 |                               |
|   | 0.00                                      | 0.00                                    | 0.00                                   | 0.00                            |                               |
|   | 0.00                                      | 0.00                                    | 0.00                                   | 0.00                            | 0.00                          |
| <b>Sub total</b>                                      | 0.00                                      | 0.00                                    | 0.00                                   | 0.00                            | 0.00                          |
| <b>Total receipts</b>                                 | 0.00                                      | 0.00                                    | 0.00                                   | 0.00                            | 0.00                          |
| <b>A3 Payments</b>                                    |   |   |  |                                 |                               |
|   | 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                          |
| <b>Sub total</b>                                      | 0.00                                      | 0.00                                    | 0.00                                   | 0.00                            | 0.00                          |
| <b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b> |   |   |  |                                 |                               |
|   | 0.00                                      | 0.00                                    | 0.00                                   | 0.00                            |                               |
|   | 0.00                                      | 0.00                                    | 0.00                                   | 0.00                            |                               |
| <b>Sub total</b>                                      | 0.00                                      | 0.00                                    | 0.00                                   | 0.00                            | 0.00                          |
| <b>Total payments</b>                                 | 0.00                                      | 0.00                                    | 0.00                                   | 0.00                            | 0.00                          |
| <b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>                     | 0.00                                      | 0.00                                    | 0.00                                   | 0.00                            | 0.00                          |
| <b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>                     | 0.00                                      | 0.00                                    | 0.00                                   | 0.00                            | 0.00                          |
| <b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>                    | 0.00                                      | 0.00                                    | 0.00                                   | 0.00                            | 0.00                          |
| <b>Cash funds this year end</b>                       | 0.00                                      | 0.00                                    | 0.00                                   | 0.00                            | 0.00                          |

## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

## Categories

## B1 Cash funds

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

**Total cash funds**

## Details

Unrestricted

to nearest 3

**Restricted**

to nearest 3

## Endowment

to nearest

Unrestricted

**Restricted**

to nearest 3

to nearest 3

## Details

## B2 Other monetary assets

## Details

### B3 Investment assets

**asset belongs**

Cost (optional)

(optional)

## Details

**B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use**

**asset belongs**

Cost (optional)

(optional)

## Details

## B5 Liabilities

liability relates

(optional)

(optional)

Signature

Print Name

Date of

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees