

STRATEGIC SOLUTIONS COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

England & Wales · Charity number 1198318

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 2022-03-22

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

Contact

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Activities

Objects: TO ADVANCE SUCH CHARITABLE PURPOSES (ACCORDING TO THE LAW OF ENGLAND AND WALES) AS THE TRUSTEES SEE FIT FROM TIME TO TIME.

Activities: The Strategic Solutions Community Foundation provides welfare and public benefit by raising funds from its internal advisers and employees. These are distributed with the intention of supporting the local community. Distributions are usually made to small charities and suppliers located in the UK local to Strategic Solutions clients. For more information, see our website: [ssfs.co.uk/community](https://www.ssfs.co.uk/community)

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Bournemouth
- Devon
- Dorset
- Hampshire
- Kent
- Poole
- Portsmouth City
- Somerset
- Southampton City
- West Sussex

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£53,154	£46,962	-	-
2024-03-31	£44,779	£55,240	-	-
2023-03-31	£49,865	£43,968	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Jeff Steninger	Chair	2021-05-12
Abigail Stidworthy		2022-09-08
Allan Cruse		2021-05-12
Daniel Parkin		2022-09-08
Dean Robertson		2021-05-12
Giles Wellington		2022-09-08
Kevin Forbes		2021-05-11
Lindsay Arnold		2022-09-08
RACHAEL MARTIN		2021-05-12
Robert Silk		2021-05-12

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Accounts

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Type of governing document	Trust deed dated 12 May 2021 and amended on 22 March 2022
How is the charity constituted?	Charitable Trust, unincorporated association
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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document	To advance such charitable purposes (according to the law of England and Wales) as the trustees see fit from time to time.
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ACHIVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE – YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2025

As with last year, our main aim for the charity has been to support our local communities. This year, a significant amount of our donations have been made towards children’s charities and organisations supporting mental and physical health.

This year, we ran our third consecutive Christmas Campaign – Christmas Kindness, where we supported 15 causes looking to spread festive cheer and kindness over the Christmas period. This included supporting foodbanks and homelessness charities (Crawley Open House, HITS food delivery, Teignbridge Homelessness Action Today, Bournemouth foodbank); as well as providing Christmas presents to various groups – from children to the elderly (Amelia’s Rainbow, Dorset Mums – gifts for the elderly campaign, Piam Brown Ward at Southampton Hospital).

We also supported some very well-deserving local causes, such as: Mosaic Family Support, who provide counselling services to bereaved children and young people; and The Crumbs Project, who provide professional hospitality-based training and life skills for adults with disabilities or mental health conditions

We have supported many new causes this year, including installing a new heating system in local community hub Carey Hall; subsidising counselling sessions through Counselling Together and the extremely worthwhile Making Memories scheme, run by charity ‘Younger People With Dementia’.

We have also continued some existing relationships. One in particular is Andrew Findley, who visits schools on an adhoc basis to talk about his experiences completing some of the world's toughest endurance challenges. We believe it is very important to work with schools to supplement their curriculums, by engaging with young people about important life skills such as resilience.

We have also continued to collaborate with St Michael’s Primary School, supporting their ‘Midweek Meals’ campaign. The support lower income households by offering a meal and a safe, warm space for socialising, playing games and listening to stories. Our donations are used to buy the ingredients, which can then be offered free of charge.

In line with our continued focus on mental and physical health, especially in children, we have supported a range of grassroots sports clubs this year, including Pulborough Rugby Club, Phoenix Youth Football Club and Poole Cricket Club.

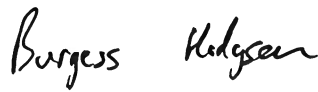
Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

FINANCIAL REVIEW – YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2025

<p>Brief statement of the charity’s policy on reserves</p>	<p>Cash at bank as at 31st March 2025 was £8,651.81 in unrestricted funds. The main financial risk to the charity is loss of donations from Strategic Solutions Chartered Financial Planners, which currently makes up all of the charity’s income.</p> <p>The charity does not have any operational costs and very limited administrative expenses (including accountancy fees). Trustees are all volunteers, who give their time without being remunerated. Therefore, there is no requirement to keep reserves in the bank account.</p> <p>We donate funds to charities and organisations as and when applications are received and approved by trustees, therefore we are comfortable with this figure fluctuating. Our income is relatively consistent and we only donate the funds we have available at the time.</p> <p>The trustees do not tend to pledge funds unless these are immediately available in the bank account. However, it is worth noting that donations are made from Strategic Solutions on a weekly basis, meaning the account is kept relatively liquid at all times.</p>
<p>Details of any funds materials in deficit</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Further financial review details</p>	<p>Analysis of cash at bank When comparing yearly figures, our cash holdings as at 31st March 2025 are noticeably higher than last year (2024: £2,460.04). However, our holdings the year before on 31st March 2023 were £12,921.29, so this year’s figures are in line with expectations.</p> <p>Analysis of receipts As mentioned previously, the charity’s principal source of funds this year has been donations from the advisers and employees of Strategic Solutions Chartered Financial Planners. Donations from advisers are matched by the Strategic Solutions partnership, to be distributed at the discretion of the trustees.</p> <p>Receipts in from Strategic Solutions advisers and the Partnership are calculated based on a percentage of the firm’s income, so although donations are paid to us regularly, the exact amounts will vary with each payment. The total donations for 2025 (£52,835.35) are higher than last year’s (2024: £45,345.32) which is to be expected.</p> <p>Analysis of donations out The Trustees note that our donations paid out this year (2025: £46,637.42) are lower than last year (2024: £54,790.71). The higher receipts and lower donations out explains our increase in cash at bank at 31st March 2025, compared to 31st March 2024.</p>

	<p>One of the reasons for our donations out reducing this year is that we have not supported any large contracts or tours (2024: the AFCB Community Sports Trust Money Management Programme and Oly Newton Lights On Wellbeing tour). Instead, we focused on funding individual causes and helping with their needs.</p> <p>Summary</p> <p>The trustees believe that the donations made this year have supported the key objectives of the charity, which are to promote welfare and improve the local communities of Strategic Solutions’ advisers, employees, clients and families. We have aimed to support smaller, often grassroots organisations which don’t receive Government grants or funding (or these make up a small portion of their overall income). The trustees also aim to donate to causes where there is an immediate benefit to the community, so the trustees and donors can see how and where the money is being spent.</p> <p>The funds are all unrestricted, as we have not received (and do not anticipate receiving) any unrestricted funds in the year under review.</p>
<p>Future plans</p>	<p>We will continue to prioritise small and grassroots organisations within communities local to our advisers, employees and clients. Our particular focus remains on financial education and mental and physical wellbeing, particularly for children and young adults.</p> <p>As mentioned above, we have not funded any school tours or contracts in the year under review. Instead, we prioritised smaller organisations that reached out to us with their own funding requirements. We have already committed to working with Oly Newton to deliver another school tour next year (during the year ending 31st March 2026). Oly will speak to local schools about identifying and living with mental health conditions. This is a large expense, so the cash at bank as at 31st March 2025 has made it possible to commit to this significant donation for next year, as well as our usual pledges and contributions to smaller organisations in our local communities.</p>

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS	
Report made to the trustees of:	Strategic Solutions Community Foundation
On accounts for the year ended	31 st March 2025
Set out on pages (below)	7 and 8
Responsibilities and basis of report	<p><i>I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2025.</i></p> <p><i>As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 (the 'Act').</i></p> <p><i>I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under s145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under s145(5)(b) of the Act.</i></p>
Independent examiner's statement	<p><i>I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>• Accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or</i> <i>• The accounts do not accord with the accounting records.</i> <p><i>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.</i></p>

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S DECLARATION	
Signed	
Name	Alexander Baker
Date	05.01.2026
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if applicable)	ACA (Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales)
Address	Burgess Hodgson Limited, Camburgh House, 27 New Dover Road, Canterbury, Kent, CT1 3DN

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS

Charity name	Strategic Solutions Community Foundation
For the period	1 st April 2024 to 31 st March 2025

SECTION A – RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS

Receipts	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
Strategic Solutions donations	£52,854.33	-	-
Donations made via Easy Fundraising	£74.62	-	-
Donations made via individuals	£225.00	-	-
Sub total	£53,153.95	-	-
TOTAL RECEIPTS	£53,153.95		


Payments	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
Grants made to charities or organisations	£46,637.42		
Accountancy invoice	£288.00		
Admin charges – big cheque for Christmas presentations	£36.76		
Sub total	£46,962.18		
TOTAL PAYMENTS	£46,962.18		

SECTION A SUMMARY:

Net receipts / (payments)	£6,192
Cash funds as at 1 st April 2024 brought forward	£2,460
Cash funds as at 31 st March 2025 to carry forward	£8,652

SECTION B – STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31st MARCH 2025

Cash funds	
Bank account balance as at 31 st March 2025	£8,651.81
<i>Agrees with Receipts & Payments section on page 7</i>	
Other monetary assets	
None	
Investment assets	
None	
Assets retained for the charity's own use	
None	
Liabilities	
None	

TRUSTEE DECLARATION	
Signed (on behalf of all the Trustees)	
Name	Rachael Martin
Date	5 th January 2026

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ACHIVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year	<p>As with last year, our main aim for the charity has been to support our local communities, specifically promoting education in finance and mental health.</p> <p>The following quote has been taken from the Money & Pensions Service website: <i>"Evidence confirms the existence of the relationship between money and mental health. People who experience mental health issues are particularly susceptible to experiencing financial difficulties – and people in financial difficulty often also experience challenges to their mental health."</i></p> <p>As funds are donated by employees and advisers of Strategic Solutions Chartered Financial Planners, the Trustees understand how important financial education is for our wider community.</p>
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We renewed our contract this year with the 'AFC Bournemouth Community Sports Trust Money Management' programme. AFC Bournemouth, the Premier League football club local to SSCF's principal address, have been running workshops in local schools to highlight the importance of promoting sensible finance and enhancing the knowledge and financial well-being of students and their futures. In addition to this, we also supported a project called 'Lights On Wellbeing' which is delivered by motivational speaker and qualified Mental Health First Aid Trainer, Oly Newton. Oly visits schools to run mental health workshops, discussing mental health and coping mechanisms with the children. We have also donated towards another motivational speaker – Andrew Findley. Andrew is a veteran of some of the world's toughest endurance challenges and visits schools on an adhoc basis to talk about resilience. We believe these areas are vital parts of education and hopefully provide children with the tools they need to become confident, happy, healthy and financially aware adults.

Following the success of last year's Christmas initiative, we continued the tradition of making festive donations. This year, we ran a 'Christmas Cracker' campaign, which focused on making sure that children from disadvantaged social backgrounds still received Christmas presents. Organisations included: Christchurch Foodbank, The Salvation Army, Dorset Children's Foundation and Amelia's Rainbow. We also donated sleeping bags for the homeless via We Are Human.

One of our notable successes this year were our contributions to St Michael's Primary School's 'Midweek Meals' campaign, which offers a meal and a safe, warm space for socialising, playing games and listening to stories for less affluent families. Our donations are used to buy the ingredients to make the meals and these are offered free of charge.

We have continued to support a range of community sports organisations this year, including Oakmedians Rugby Club, Newton Abbot Tennis Club and Teignmouth RFC.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Cash at bank as at 31st March 2024 was £2,460.04 in unrestricted funds.

The main financial risk to the charity is loss of donations from Strategic Solutions Chartered Financial Planners, which currently makes up all of the charity's income.

The charity does not have any operational costs. The trustees are all volunteers, who give their time without being remunerated. Therefore, there is no requirement to keep reserves in the bank account.


Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

	<p>When comparing yearly figures, our cash holdings at March 2024 are noticeably lower than our cash holdings at March 2023 (£12,921.29). We donate funds to charities and organisations as and when applications are received and approved by trustees, therefore we are comfortable with this figure fluctuating. Our income is relatively consistent and we only donate the funds we have available at the time.</p> <p>The trustees do not tend to pledge funds unless these are immediately available in the bank account. However, it is worth noting that donations are made from Strategic Solutions on a weekly basis, meaning the account is kept relatively liquid at all times.</p>
<p>Details of any funds materials in deficit</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Further financial review details</p>	<p>As mentioned previously, the charity’s principal source of funds this year has been donations from the advisers and employees of Strategic Solutions Chartered Financial Planners. Donations from advisers are matched by the Strategic Solutions partnership, to be distributed at the discretion of the trustees.</p> <p>The trustees believe that the donations made this year have supported the key objectives of the charity, which are to promote welfare and improve the local communities of Strategic Solutions’ advisers, employees, clients and families. We have aimed to support smaller, often grassroots organisations which don’t receive Government grants or funding (or these make up a small portion of their overall income). The trustees also aim to donate to causes where there is an immediate benefit to the community, so the trustees and donors can see how and where the money is being spent.</p> <p>The funds are all unrestricted, as we have not received (and do not anticipate receiving) any unrestricted funds in the year under review.</p>
<p>Future plans</p>	<p>We will continue to prioritise small and grassroots organisations within communities local to our advisers, employees and clients. Our particular focus remains on financial education and mental and physical wellbeing, particularly for children and young adults.</p>

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

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Name	Alexander Baker
Date	27.01.2025
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if applicable)	ACA (Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales)
Address	Burgess Hodgson LLP, Camburgh House, 27 New Dover Road, Canterbury, Kent, CT1 3DN

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS

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SECTION A – RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS

Receipts	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds
Strategic Solutions donations	£44,611.96	-	-	-
Donations made via Amazon Smile	£64.86	-	-	-
Donations made via individuals	£102.00	-	-	-
Sub total	£44,778.82	-	-	-
TOTAL RECEIPTS	£44,779			

Payments	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds
Grants made to charities or organisations	£54,790.71			
Accountancy invoice	£246.00			
DBS checks for Trustees – initial admin charges	£203.39			
Sub total	£55,240.10			
TOTAL PAYMENTS	£55,240			


Section A Summary

Net receipts / (payments)	(£10,461)
Cash funds as at 1 st April 2023 brought forward	£12,921
Cash funds as at 31 st March 2024 to carry forward	£2,460

SECTION B – STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31ST MARCH 2024

Cash funds	
Bank account balance as at 31st March 2024	£2,460.04
Agrees with receipts and payments account balance on page 6	
Other monetary assets	
None	
Investment assets	
None	
Assets retained for the charity's own use	
None	
Liabilities	
None	

TRUSTEE DECLARATION

Signed (on behalf of all the trustees)	
Name	Rachael Martin
Date	23/01/2025

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ACHIVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year	<p>The main aim for the charity this year has been to support our local communities, specifically education in finance. Funds are donated by employees and advisers of Strategic Solutions Chartered Financial Planners and therefore, the Trustees believe financial education is extremely important.</p> <p>In this regard, one of the main achievements of the charity this year was supporting the 'AFC Bournemouth Community Sports Trust Money Management' programme. AFC Bournemouth, the Premier League football club local to SSCF's principal address, have been running workshops in local schools to highlight the importance of promoting sensible finance and enhancing the knowledge and financial well-being of students and their futures.</p>
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	<p>We ran a '12 days of Christmas' initiative, whereby we donated £1,000 to 12 worthy causes in the run up to Christmas. This included donations to a charity dedicated to supporting young carers; a community garden; a foodbank and a leukaemia support charity.</p> <p>In addition to financial education, the trustees think it is very important to promote health and mental wellbeing in the community. We have supported various sports organisations including a hockey club and a wheelchair rugby club. We have also supported hospices and charities providing counselling services.</p> <p>The trustees have also purchased and installed defibrillators in several locations, which is a subject close to the charity's heart.</p>
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FINANCIAL REVIEW	
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Further financial review details	<p>As mentioned previously, the charity's principal source of funds this year has been donations from the advisers and employees of Strategic Solutions Chartered Financial Planners. Donations from advisers are matched by the Strategic Solutions partnership, to be distributed at the discretion of the trustees.</p> <p>The trustees believe that the donations made this year have supported the key objectives of the charity, which are to promote welfare and improve the local communities of Strategic Solutions' advisers, employees, clients and families. We have aimed to support smaller, often grassroots organisations which don't receive Government grants or funding (or these make up a small portion of their overall income). The trustees also aim to donate to causes where there is an immediate benefit to the community, so the trustees and donors can see how and where the money is being spent.</p> <p>The funds are all unrestricted, as we have not received (and do not anticipate receiving) any unrestricted funds in the year under review.</p>

Future plans	The coming year will see a continued emphasis on donating to small, grassroots organisations within the local communities. As with this year, the particular focus for the coming year will be on financial education and mental and physical wellbeing, particularly of children and young adults.
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

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On accounts for the year ended	31 st March 2023
Set out on pages (below)	5 and 6
Responsibilities and basis of report	<p><i>I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2023.</i></p> <p><i>As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 (the 'Act').</i></p> <p><i>I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under s145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under s145(5)(b) of the Act.</i></p>
Independent examiner's statement	<p><i>I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or</i> • <i>The accounts do not accord with the accounting records.</i> <p><i>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.</i></p>

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S DECLARATION

Signed	
Name	Alexander Baker
Date	26.01.2024
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if applicable)	ACA (Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales)
Address	Burgess Hodgson LLP, Camburgh House, 27 New Dover Road, Canterbury, Kent, CT1 3DN

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS

Charity name	Strategic Solutions Community Foundation
For the period	1 st April 2022 to 31 st March 2023

SECTION A – RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS

Receipts	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds
Strategic Solutions donations	£49,568	-	-	-
Donations made via Amazon Smile	£44	-	-	-
Donations made via individuals	£234	-	-	-
Donations made via KindLink	£18	-	-	-
Sub total	£49,864	-	-	-
TOTAL RECEIPTS	£49,865			

Payments	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds
Grants made to charities or organisations	£43,968			
Sub total	£43,968			
TOTAL PAYMENTS	£43,968			


Section A Summary

Net receipts / (payments)	£5,896
Cash funds as at 1st April 2022 brought forward	£7,025
Cash funds as at 31st March 2023 to carry forward	£12,921

SECTION B – STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31ST MARCH 2023

Cash funds	
Bank account balance as at 31st March 2023	12,921.29
Agrees with receipts and payments account balance on page 5	
Other monetary assets	
None	
Investment assets	
None	
Assets retained for the charity's own use	
None	
Liabilities	
None	

TRUSTEE DECLARATION

Signed (on behalf of all the trustees)	
Name	Rachael Martin
Date	26.01.2024