

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS

Charity Name	Strategic Solutions Community Foundation	
Other names the charity is known by	SSCF	
Registered charity number	1198318	
Charity's principal address	Suite 2, Hamilton Court House 1-3 Alum Chine Road Bournemouth Dorset BH4 8DT	
Names of the Trustees who manage the charity:		
Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted (if not for whole year)
Jeff Steninger	Chair	Appointed on 12/05/2021
Rob Silk	Secretary	Appointed on 12/05/2021
Rachael Martin	Treasurer	Appointed on 12/05/2021
Kevin Forbes		Appointed on 11/05/2021
Dean Robertson		Appointed on 12/05/2021
Allan Cruse		Appointed on 12/05/2021
Giles Wellington		Appointed on 08/09/2022
Lindsay Arnold		Appointed on 08/09/2022
Abigail Stidworthy		Appointed on 08/09/2022
Emma Turner		Appointed on 08/09/2022
Daniel Parkin		Appointed on 08/09/2022

The Strategic Solutions Community Foundation has no appointed advisers or members of staff.

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
Trustee selection method	Advisers and staff at Strategic Solutions have all been offered the opportunity to become Trustees. Individuals are encouraged to volunteer and are appointed following completion of a DBS check.

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.
Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objectives	<p>The organisation provides welfare and public benefit by raising funds from the advisers and employees of Strategic Solutions Chartered Financial Planners. The charitable trust was set up to enable members of the firm to enhance their local communities and those less fortunate through regular donations from income.</p> <p>Funds are distributed via the charity's approved grant-making policy with the intention of supporting the local community.</p> <p>Distributions are usually made to small charities and organisations located in the UK, ideally local to Strategic Solutions clients, advisers and families. The majority of operations for the SSCF are in Dorset, Devon, Hampshire, Wiltshire, West Sussex and Kent.</p> <p>The SSCF aims to improve our local communities by promoting the welfare of our community members, either directly or through a specialist charity or organisation which meets our due diligence requirements.</p>

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	
Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	<p>Cash at bank as at 31st March 2023 was £12,921.29 in unrestricted funds.</p> <p>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. The 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>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>
Details of any funds materials in deficit	N/A
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

Report made to the trustees of:	Strategic Solutions Community Foundation
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 1 st April 2022 brought forward	£7,025
Cash funds as at 31 st 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 31 st 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