



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **01/01/2025** Period start date To **31/12/2025** Period end date

Charity name: **CRAFT CIRCLE**

Charity registration number: **1199333**

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To advance the education of the public in arts and crafts and to promote art by building skills and interest in craft, in particular but not exclusively the arts and crafts of beading, papercraft and sewing.
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	Craft Circle encourages people to try craft – to learn new skills, build social bonds across their community, and for positive mental health. We make crafting accessible through affordable supplies, education and outreach with charities and community groups. We reduce waste by encouraging sharing and re-purposing of craft supplies. And we inspire people across the UK to be creative and try something new.
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 followed the guidance on public benefit.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	

Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
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	<p>Strategy and workshop schedule have been agreed for the next 12 months.</p> <p>Social media outreach and email marketing list are both growing organically. New people added after every event, which shows our growing reach. Regular emails to this group maintain a strong connection with our supporters.</p> <p>New online crafting tutorials have been created and promoted on social media. These now exist across jewellery, quilting, sewing, and general crafting. We will continue to add to these categories over time. A new website has been completed to make it easier to get these tutorials out to the public.</p> <p>Donations of craft materials are coming in, and processes have been improved on sorting them for reuse. We have created a new storage system for these materials to keep them organised and protected.</p> <p>Our in-person workshops have been a great way to reach new people and get them to try something new. Feedback has been excellent, and booking administration is running smoothly. We regularly get 5 star reviews for these workshops, along with repeat bookings. We have also put a system in place to review recent workshops at each board meeting to refine and improve for the future.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against	Para 1.41	
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objectives set		
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	2025 Operating Income - £1,669.56 2025 Operating Expense - £1,211.45
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Balance on hand of £878.48 at 31 December 2025, will be held in reserve for 2026 expenses for workshops and storage of donated supplies.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£878.48
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	No concerns. We are confident that interest is strong in workshops and tutorials for 2026.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Foundation Model Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO - Charitable Incorporated Organisation
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	Para 1.25	Board of trustees is stable at current level. Any applicants for future positions will be reviewed by the current board, based on experience, skills needed and expected contribution.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	CRAFT CIRCLE
Other name the charity uses	N/A
Registered charity number	1199333
Charity's principal address	17 Coleshill Place Bradwell Common Milton Keynes MK13 8DG United Kingdom

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	Tanya Butler	Chairman		
2	Sheena Burrus	Treasurer	May 2024 onwards	
3	Wendy Church			
4	Emma Hanby			
5	Sue Lee-Delisle		May 2024 onwards	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
(none)		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
(none)		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Tanya Butler (signed electronically)	
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Full name(s)

TANYA BUTLER	
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**Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)**

Chairman	
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Date

11 March 2026
