

ST ALBANS ACTION FOR HOMELESS

England & Wales · Charity number 1199670

Details

Other names	SAAFH
Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2022-07-15
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	38 Beech Crescent Wheathampstead St. Albans AL4 8TD
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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECT OF THE CHARITY IS THE RELIEF OF POVERTY PRIMARILY, BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY, OF PEOPLE IN ST ALBANS AND SURROUNDING AREA WHO ARE HOMELESS OR AT RISK OF BECOMING HOMELESS BY PROVIDING GRANTS, FOOD AND OTHER ESSENTIAL ITEMS, ACCESS TO SHORT-TERM ACCOMMODATION AND ADVICE, INCLUDING ASSISTANCE TO OBTAIN LONGER TERM ACCOMMODATION.

Activities: St Albans Action for Homeless supports the street homeless and those in temporary accommodation, The charity provides hot meals on a Friday and Saturday night in St Albans town center plus clothes and basic essentials/toiletries on a Wednesday night. The charity also runs Hope House which provides accommodation for up to four males.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies

Geography

- Hertfordshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-11-30	£66,182	£83,681	-	-
2023-11-30	£73,484	£46,431	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Sharon Linney	Chair	2022-11-11
James West		2022-07-15
Jeremy Levy		2022-07-15
Lynn Dutton		2024-02-27

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**ACCOUNTS FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDED
30th November 2024**

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Officers & Advisers

Management Committee:

Sharon Linney - Chair

Jeremy Levy - Trustee

Lynn Dutton - Trustee

James West - Trustee

Bankers:

Metro Bank (St Albans Branch)

Independent examiner:

Samantha James



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Report of the Trustees of St Albans Action for Homeless

The Trustees submit their annual report and the financial statements for the 12 months ended 30th November 2024.

OBJECTS AND ACTIVITIES

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RESULTS FOR THE YEAR

The income and expenditure for the year are detailed on the Receipts and Payments Account on page 9. The resources of the Charity and their disposition are set out on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities on page 10. The Trustees consider the result to be satisfactory.

TRUSTEES

The Charity is administered by the Committee, who may be contacted via email on actionforhomeless@gmail.com or on 01582 833944.

The Trustees who held office during the year were:

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Jeremy Levy - Trustee

James West – Trustee

Lynn Dutton - Trustee

GOVERNING DOCUMENT

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TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

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- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- make judgements that are reasonable and prudent.
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which enable them to ensure that the receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities comply with the Charities Act 1993. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Samantha James was elected to independently review the accounts.

ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

In the year, the committee ran events including a Christmas auction along with several other Christmas themed events, plant sales and several music gigs. They had £20.8k of direct donations via their website, fundraising activities and a local lottery scheme. They also received rental income of £42k from Hope House residents.

By order of the Trustees

I declare in my capacity as charity trustee that:

- the trustees have approved the report above; and
- have authorised me to sign it on their behalf.

Sharon Linney (Chairperson)

Date:

30-8-2025.



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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the St Albans Action for Homeless

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity, for the year ended 30th November 2024.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

As the trustees of the charity, you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Signed: 

Date: 31/08/2025

Samantha James
23 Francis Avenue
St Albans, AL3 6BL



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Statement of Financial Activities

St Albans Action For Homeless

For the year ended 30 November 2024

Account	2024
Income	
Donations	9,071.81
Fundraising income	11,772.70
Rental Income	42,014.74
Gift Aid Income	3,322.45
Total Income	66,181.70
Expenditure	
Direct Expenses	834.96
Advertising & Marketing	14.99
Audit & Accountancy fees	1,030.00
General Expenses	1,918.15
Insurance	5,566.40
Premises Costs	67,116.28
Travel - National	7,200.00
Total Expenditure	83,680.78
Net income / (Expenditure)	(17,499.08)

All receipts and payments are for general purposes and there are no restricted or endowment funds.
The notes on pages 9 to 10 form part of these accounts



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Balance Sheet

St Albans Action For Homeless Charity
As at 30 November 2024

Account	30 Nov 2024
Current Assets	
Cash at bank and in hand	
St Albans Action for Homeless	37,922.79
Total Cash at bank and in hand	37,922.79
Prepayments	(4.00)
Total Current Assets	37,918.79
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	
Accounts Payable	30.00
Accruals	700.00
Rounding	0.04
Stripe GBP	0.14
Total Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	730.18
Net Current Assets (Liabilities)	37,188.61
Total Assets less Current Liabilities	37,188.61
Net Assets	37,188.61
Capital and Reserves	
Current Year Earnings	(17,499.08)
Recharge from NFP	27,197.62
Retained Earnings	27,490.07
Total Capital and Reserves	37,188.61

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Approved by the Board of Trustees on 30/8/25 and signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "S Linney".

Sharon Linney (Chairperson)

Date:

30-8-2025.



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Notes to the Accounts

1. STATUS

The CIO was registered as a charity on 15th July 2022, number 1199670, and constituted by their constitution, dated 29th November 2022.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

2.1 Basis of preparation and assessment of going concern

The accounts have been prepared on the accruals basis.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) effective 1 January 2019 and with the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS102.

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

2.2 Funds

Unrestricted funds represent funds received that can be applied at the Trustees' discretion within the general objects of the charity.

3 Proceeds from major events

Activity	Gross Receipts	Expenses	Net Funds
Donations	9071.81		9071.81
Rental Income	42014.74	30000	42014.74
Jumblebee Auction	1113.62		1113.62
Plant Sale	1687.40		1687.4
Music Gigs	2806.20		2806.20
Market stall	893.15		893.15
Tattoo Fundraiser	3000		3000
Cake Sales	700		700
Virtual Balloon Race	432.96		432.96
Christmas Activities	1612.86		1612.86



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4. SPEND OF FUNDS

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5. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There have been no related party transactions in the reporting period.

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Sharon Linney (Chairperson)

Date: 22 - 8 - 2024.



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Signed: _____

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Samantha James
23 Francis Avenue
St Albans, AL3 6BL

Date: 29/08/2024



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Statement of Financial Activities

St Albans Action For Homeless Charity
For the year ended 30 November 2023

Account	2023
Income	
Donations	27,886
Fundraising income	8,001
Rental Income	37,597
Total Income	73,484
Expenditure	
Direct Expenses	2,229
Advertising & Marketing	995
Audit & Accountancy fees	938
General Expenses	1,272
Insurance	5,846
Legal Expenses	500
Premises Costs	30,396
Travel - National	4,256
Total Expenditure	46,431
Net income / (Expenditure)	27,053

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Balance Sheet
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As at 30 November 2023

Account	30 Nov 2023
Current Assets	
Cash at bank and in hand	25,881.83
Prepayments	29,166.00
Total Current Assets	55,047.83
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	
Accounts Payable	77.50
Accruals	700.00
Stripe GBP	0.14
Total Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	777.64
Net Current Assets (Liabilities)	54,270.19
Capital and Reserves	
Current Year Earnings	27,052.57
Recharge from NFP	27,197.62
Retained Earnings	20.00
Total Capital and Reserves	54,270.19

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Approved by the Board of Trustees on 22.08.24 and signed on its behalf by:

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Sharon Linney (Chairperson)

Date: 22-8-2024



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3 Proceeds from major events

Activity	Gross Receipts	Expenses	Net Funds
Donations	27,886.19		27,886.19
Rental Income	37,596.80		37,596.80
Jumblebee Auction	5,602.51	336.15	5,266.36
Plant Sale	1155.68	21.44	1,134.24
Mermaid Gig	280.27		280.27
Market stall	262.52		262.52
Other combined activities	700		700.00



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