

SOUTHWARK INDEPENDENT VOICE

England & Wales · Charity number 1202351

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2023-03-16

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

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ARE THE RELIEF OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND DISABILITIES AND THEIR FAMILIES AND CARERS IN THE LONDON BOROUGH OF SOUTHWARK ESPECIALLY BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY THROUGH:A) PROMOTING AND ENABLING PARENT/CARER PARTICIPATION IN THE PLANNING AND DELIVERY OF SERVICES BY HEALTH, EDUCATION, DISABILITY AND SOCIAL CARE COMMISSIONERS AND SERVICE PROVIDERSB) WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP TO SHAPE AND MONITOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF LOCAL SERVICES SO THAT THEY ENHANCE THE EXPERIENCE AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLEC) PROVIDING SUPPORT, INFORMATION, ACTIVITIES AND TRAININGD) THE CREATION OF A LOCAL PARENT/CARER COMMUNITY THAT REDUCES ISOLATION AND STRENGTHENS THE CAPACITY OF PARENTS AND CARERS TO SUPPORT THEIR FAMILY

Activities: Our group of committed volunteers have been working hard to reach out to schools to ensure they know who we are and what we will be offering. The networking across the services has been vital to ensuring that Southwark Independent Voice is in the forefront of professional's minds so they can refer parents to us. We meet families across the borough to ensure we can deliver activities that they want.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Disability
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin

Geography

- Southwark

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£8,000	£4,471	-	-
2024-03-31	£5,000	£0	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Nicola Rolfe	Chair	2025-02-10
Jonathan Bonner		2023-02-26
Yassim Jama		2023-02-26

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **01/04/2024**

To **31/03/2025**

Charity name: **Southwark Independent Voice**

Charity registration number: **1202351**

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To give parents and carers an informed collective voice at a strategic level to bring about change for the better and improve parents' knowledge of SEND so their child can have better outcomes.
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	The charity represents families of children aged 0–25 with SEND in Southwark, collaborating with local service providers to improve SEND services. Its core activities include: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Consulting with families: Gathering their views and sharing information to empower them to better support their children.- Reducing isolation: Creating opportunities for families to connect through coffee mornings, events, and networking opportunities.- Providing peer support: Facilitating sessions where families can share experiences and receive emotional support from others in similar situations.- Signposting for advice: Directing families to appropriate services and resources for professional advice and guidance.- Promoting accessibility and inclusivity: Celebrating equality and diversity by ensuring all activities are accessible, including for minority and underrepresented groups.
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 had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission 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	N/A
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	The dedication and commitment of volunteers will be instrumental in helping the charity achieve its goals, ensuring families with SEND receive the support and opportunities they need. While volunteers have not contributed during this financial period, we are actively putting a strong volunteer network in place to support our future events and outreach efforts. Their involvement will play a crucial role in planning and delivering inclusive activities, as well as strengthening our connections with families and professionals across the community.
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	Our committed trustees have worked tirelessly to build connections with professionals, schools, and services across Southwark, ensuring they are aware of our mission and the support we offer. This networking has been vital in positioning Southwark Independent Voice as a trusted referral point for families seeking guidance and support. We have engaged directly with families across the borough, listening to their needs and priorities. This feedback helped us to put together activities that cater to children and young people with a wide range of needs and ages. During 2024–2025, Southwark Independent Voice delivered two key community events: a family day trip and a New Year celebration, supporting 123 families of children and young people with SEND. These events created accessible, inclusive spaces where families could meet others with shared experiences in a relaxed and supportive environment. For many families, this was their first

		<p>opportunity to take part in a SEND-friendly social activity, reducing barriers to participation and increasing confidence to engage in community life.</p> <p>The events strengthened peer connections, enabling parents and carers to exchange practical advice, share experiences, and build informal support networks that continued beyond the events themselves. Families reported feeling more connected, understood, and supported.</p>
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
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	At the end of the financial year, the charity held £3,529.45 in funds. This included £2,561.81 in unrestricted funds, available to support general activities, and £967.64 in restricted funds, to be used in line with grant conditions.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The charity holds modest reserves to maintain financial stability, cover essential costs, and respond to emerging needs. Restricted funds are held only in line with grant conditions and used for their intended purpose
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£3,529.45 remains unspent, and we are planning to utilise it during the 2025/256 financial year.
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	N/A

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	Applying for grants.
Investment policy and objectives including any		N/A

social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	As it is run by volunteers, the organisation has less financial risk of closing but the activities may be affected if the funding runs out. Lack of funding will prevent planned activities and opportunities for engagement.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	The charity operates under a constitution document.
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
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	Trustees are appointed on fixed terms. Members of Southwark Independent Voice can either put their name forward or be nominated by current trustees.

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	Southwark Independent Voice
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1202351
Charity's principal address	42 Thorburn Square London SE1 5QH

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	Nicola Rolfe			
2	Jonathan Bonner			
3	Yassim Jama			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

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)	<i>Yassim Jama</i>	
Full name(s)	Yassim Jama	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	
Date	15/01/2026	



Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 4/1/2024	To	Period end date 3/31/2025
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
	5,000	3,000	-	8,000	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	5,000	3,000	-	8,000	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	5,000	3,000	-	8,000	-
A3 Payments					
	2,438	-	-	2,438	-
	-	2,032	-	2,032	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	2,438	2,032	-	4,471	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	2,438	2,032	-	4,471	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	2,562	968	-	3,529	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	2,562	968	-	3,529	-

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	-	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	Agreement Error	OK

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
N.Rolfe	Nicola Rolfe	1/15/2026
Jamay	Yassim Jama	1/15/2026

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From **16/03/2023** Period start date To **31/03/2024** Period end date

Charity name: **Southwark Independent Voice**

Charity registration number: **1202351**

Objectives and Activities

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		for meaningful, inclusive events and support in the upcoming financial year.
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 had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission 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	N/A
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	<p>The dedication and commitment of volunteers will be instrumental in helping the charity achieve its goals, ensuring families with SEND receive the support and opportunities they need.</p> <p>While volunteers have not contributed during this financial period, we are actively putting a strong volunteer network in place to support our future events and outreach efforts. Their involvement will play a crucial role in planning and delivering inclusive activities, as well as strengthening our connections with families and professionals across the community.</p>
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>Despite challenges such as the late arrival of funding, personal health issues, and the bereavement faced by our events coordinator, Southwark Independent Voice has made significant strides in laying the groundwork for future impact.</p> <p>Our committed trustees have worked tirelessly to build connections with professionals, schools, and services across Southwark, ensuring they are aware of our mission and the support we offer. This networking has been vital in positioning Southwark Independent Voice as a trusted referral point for families seeking guidance and support.</p> <p>We have engaged directly with families across the borough, listening to their</p>

		<p>needs and priorities. This feedback is helping us design accessible, inclusive activities that cater to children and young people with a wide range of needs and ages.</p> <p>While no events were held this year, the foundation we've built is already fostering stronger collaboration and awareness among professionals and families, paving the way for meaningful support and advocacy in the future. These efforts not only benefit individual families but also contribute to creating a more inclusive community for all.</p> <p>We have planned a series of events and activities for the 2024/25 financial year, informed by the feedback we've received from families, to ensure we provide meaningful support and inclusive opportunities for all.</p>
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Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The income for the year is £5,000 and there were no expenses recorded. The trustees didn't use the fund to deliver activities in the current year. Therefore, the entire fund received was carried forward as unrestricted reserves to deliver services to the following year.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	As it is the first year, the trustees decided to keep all the surplus to spend on projects in the following years.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£5,000 remains unspent, and we are planning to utilise it during the 2024/25 financial year.
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	N/A

Additional information (optional)

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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)	<i>Yassim Jama</i>	
Full name(s)	Yassim Jama	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	
Date	14/01/2025	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name Southwark Independent Voice	No (if any) 1202351
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 3/16/2023	To	Period end date 3/31/2024
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
United St Saviour's	5,000	-	-	5,000	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	5,000	-	-	5,000	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	5,000	-	-	5,000	-
A3 Payments					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	5,000	-	-	5,000	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	5,000	-	-	5,000	-

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	-	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
Yassim Jama	YASSIM JAMA	1/14/2025