

ST JOSEPH'S FAMILY SOCIETY

England & Wales · Charity number 1203596

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2023-06-16

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

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Activities

Objects: THE RELIEF OF FINANCIAL HARDSHIP AMONGST PEOPLE IN PETERBOROUGH AND THE SURROUNDING AREA IN SUCH WAYS AS THE TRUSTEES FROM TIME-TO-TIME THINK FIT, IN PARTICULAR, BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY:A) PROVIDING EMERGENCY FOOD, ESSENTIAL TOILETRIES, AND HOUSEHOLD ITEMS TO INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES IN NEED AND/OR FOR DISTRIBUTION BY CHARITIES OR OTHER ORGANISATIONS WORKING TO PREVENT OR RELIEVE POVERTYB) SUCH OTHER MEANS, INCLUDING (BUT NOT LIMITED TO) THE PROVISION OF SUPPORT OR SIGNPOSTING TO RELEVANT INFORMATION AND OTHER ADVISORY SERVICESAND TO PROVIDE SUCH SERVICES WITH A CHRISTIAN ETHOS, SUPPORTED BY CHURCHES IN PETERBOROUGH.

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Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations
- **What:** Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Peterborough City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£9,983	£9,533	-	-
2024-03-31	£7,491	£7,057	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Jose Carlos Rodriguez	Chair	2023-06-15
Jane Elizabeth Rodriguez		2023-06-15
Jolanta Michalina Mokrzycka		2023-06-15
Stephen George Hills		2023-06-15

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

01 APRIL 2024 - 31 MARCH 2025

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St Joseph's Family Society
A Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Report of the Trustees for year ending 31 March 2025

The Trustees present the Trustee's Annual Report and Financial Statement for the year commencing 01 April 2024, to the year end 31 March 2025.

Reference and Administration Information

Charity Name	St Joseph's Family Society
Charity Registration Number	1203596
Registered Office	29 Sutton Court Skaters Way Werrington Peterborough PE4 6GG
Trustees (4)	Mr. J. C. Rodriguez (Founder / Chair) Mr. S. G. Hills (Treasurer) Mrs. J. M. Mokrzycka (Secretary) Mrs. J. E. Rodriguez (Catering Director)

Volunteers (5)	Mrs. J. Cliffe (Qualified Caterer) Ms. D. Day (Qualified Caterer) Mrs. A. Hoggett Mr. P. A. Knight Miss. C. Knight
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Bankers	Metro Bank One Southampton Row London WC1B 5HA
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Accountants	Mason & Co 5 The Old Quarry Nene Valley Business Park Oundle Peterborough PE8 4HN
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Insurers	Ecclesiastical Insurance Office plc. Benefact House 2000, Pioneer Avenue Gloucester Business Park Brockworth Gloucester GL3 4AW
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Governance and management

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Objectives of the CIO

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- b) such other means, including (but not limited to) the provision of support or signposting to relevant information and other advisory services and to provide such services with a Christian ethos, supported by churches in Peterborough.

Public benefit statement

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2017 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, "Charities and Public Benefit."

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit

Provide community facilities and activities for communities within the Peterborough area. They fill the gaps in public service provision and bring together members of the communities to build social relationships and provide mutual support.

Summary of main achievements during this period

Over 50's Lunch club continued;

Received regular donations of food for community food hubs for those individuals and families in hardship;

Weekly community coffee mornings at three individual locations within Peterborough;

Christmas 2024 Luncheon for people over the age of 60;

Regular Bingo and Quiz night venues;

Map Reading & Orienteering monthly club for 13 to 18 years (school term only);

The ongoing training of volunteers to achieve Level 2 food handling and hygiene certificates to expand our community catering venues.

Our catering skills allow the charity to produce and sell meals, cakes, biscuits, sausage rolls and savoury foods to generate funds to assist with community needs. The CIO has maintained "5" Very Good rated - Food Hygiene Award from Peterborough City Council.

A considerable contribution is made by member volunteers on an ongoing basis. Without this valuable contribution of time, enthusiasm and expertise, St Joseph's Family Society would not have been able to realise the amazing successes that have been achieved in the past year, thus meeting its objectives.

Safeguarding

Report to Update Governance

General reports on safeguarding to governance are usually made on an annual basis however they may also be requested following a serious incident, where governance will need to review and consider if policy and procedures require amendment. This type of report is usually made in the first instance to the nominated trustee, who will in turn share the information with the governance board of trustees.

This type of report is an overview, designed to provide an overview of how St Joseph's Family Society is safeguarding its young people and vulnerable adults and addressing potential risks. It should:

- 1 Report on compliance with relevant safeguarding legislation and policies.
- 2 Detailing the organisation's current young person's protection and vulnerable adult's practices, highlighting any new measures introduced since the submission of the last report.
- 3 Give an overview on staff competency including data on all young person's protection and vulnerable adult's training.
- 4 Highlight, without identifying individuals or families, any concerns or incidents that have occurred. This enables governance to gain a clear picture of the key safeguarding areas affecting the community environment and write policy to direct practice to meet emerging need e.g. a rise in child-on-child abuse may prompt a review of safeguarding and behaviour policies and procedures.
- 5 Detail actions taken to protect people's welfare, which should also include information on the number and types incidents where the use of force and / or restraint has been deemed necessary. This is now a legal requirement.
- 6 Include any recommendations on improving practice for consideration.

Safeguarding reporting is a key element of practice. From safeguarding children and vulnerable adults, to contributing to developing and maintaining best practice, effective reporting is essential.

General overview and outlook

In recent years, the charity sector has faced relentless challenges. Crisis after crisis has eroded any remaining financial headroom, leaving organisations struggling to withstand further pressure. While many charities are keen to rebuild their cash reserves, they are simultaneously stretched by sharply rising operating costs. Higher rents, utilities, wage bills, employer National Insurance Contributions, and general expenses all mean that every pound now has to stretch further than ever.

Looking ahead to the next 12 months, the voluntary sector's economic outlook remains overshadowed by the lasting effects of the Covid-19 pandemic, followed by the cost-of-living crisis and persistent inflation.

As a result, many charity leaders and boards may find themselves making difficult decisions in the near future. This could mean reducing staff, restructuring teams, closing or merging with other organisations, or cutting back on vital services—changes that ultimately affect the people and communities who rely on them most.

There is also a significant risk of additional economic shocks driven by global instability. Recent tariffs on imported goods and services introduced by US President Donald Trump have major implications for the global economy. These measures may lead to further inflation, affect investment markets, increase consumer costs, and threaten jobs in certain sectors. Charities could feel the impact through fluctuations in their investments and increased demand for support, particularly if UK households experience further cost-of-living pressures.

In this climate, consistent and proactive scenario planning will be more important than ever to help organisations navigate moments of uncertainty and change.

The lack of growth in the typical (median) donation size raises important concerns about the long-term sustainability of donation income. The median monthly gift has remained static at £20 for the past seven years, highlighting a worrying trend. Tackling this issue will require a multi-layered approach—one that includes targeted, data-driven fundraising strategies and a stronger focus on using personal connections and community ties to motivate people to give to local charities.

St Joseph's Family Society has long been a beacon of hope for those who need it most. With the right strategies and tools in place, I am confident that we will continue to make a meaningful and lasting difference to individuals and communities across Peterborough.

José C. Rodriguez
Founder / Chair
St Joseph's Family Society

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Receipts and Payments Account

RECEIPTS	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	Funds	Funds	2024/25	2023/24
Fundraising Events	£5,754	£ -	£5,754	£4,276
Donations	£4,120	£ -	£4,120	£3,192
"One Lottery" Income	£ 109	£ -	£ 109	£ 23
TOTAL RECEIPTS	£9,983	£ -	£9,983	£7,491

PAYMENTS				
Catering Food Supplies	£5,543	£ -	£5,543	£4,197
Events & Activity Costs	£ 949	£ -	£ 949	£ 208
Hospitality & Foodbank	£ 591	£ -	£ 591	£ 313
Insurances (Public, Employer's & Volunteers)	£ 372	£ -	£ 372	£ 418
Licences / Subscriptions	£ 60	£ -	£ 60	£ 50
Printing & Stationery	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ 95
Professional / Bank Fees	£ 168	£ -	£ 168	£ 120
Sundry Payments	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
Telephone / Internet / Postage	£ 281	£ -	£ 281	£ 165
Travel	£ 240	£ -	£ 240	£ 382
Training	£ 160	£ -	£ 160	£ 150
Utilities	£1,169	£ -	£1,169	£ 923
Volunteer Expenses	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ 35
TOTAL PAYMENTS	£9,533	£ -	£9,533	£7,057

NET RECEIPTS / (PAYMENTS)	£ 450	£ -	£ 450	£ 433
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ASSETS				
Bank	£ 33	£ -	£ 33	£ 72
Cash on hand	£ 417	£ -	£ 417	£ 361
Debtors	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
Less				
LIABILITIES				
Creditors	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -

EQUITY	£ 450	£ -	£ 450	£ 433
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Receipts and Payments Account

Notes

- 1 The accounts produced are unaudited as the CIO's turnover is less than £20,000.
- 2 All figures shown are rounded up to the nearest pound where the actual figure is 51 pence or more, and rounded down to the nearest pound if the actual figure is 50 pence or less.
- 3 Estimated cost of stock on hand for CIO use as of 31 March 2025 was £ 235.
This stock, mainly comprising of long-life food products were to be used within the following two months.
- 4 No capital equipment was purchased by the CIO. The existing equipment in use for catering is on loan, free of charge, from the Catering Director.
Similarly, the use of technical equipment, computers, printers, etc., is on loan, free of charge, by the Founder / Chair.
- 5 The Trustees received no expenses, remuneration or benefits in this period.
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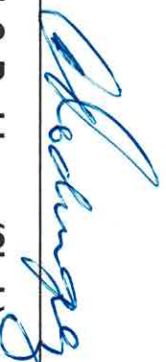
Trustees' Statement on the Accounts

We confirm that no matters have come to our attention in connection with the examining of the Accounts giving us cause to believe that in any material respect:

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Signed _____



J. C. Rodriguez (Chair)

Signed _____



S. G. Hills (Treasurer)

On behalf of all Trustees

Date : **15 December 2025**

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16 JUNE 2023 TO 31 MARCH 2024

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Safeguarding

Because we work with young people and vulnerable adults our safeguarding policy was reviewed on a six month cycle. All volunteers were enhanced DBS checked. Repeat checks will be carried biannually.

General overview and outlook

Like many other western societies and democracies, but perhaps to a more severe extent, in Peterborough and the surrounding areas are currently marked by increasing social and political division, and by disruption and uncertainty. There is less that binds us as a society than there was in previous generations.

Social media and wider demographic developments mean that we increasingly live in silos, in universes of world view and identity – pro Brexit / anti Brexit, Covid19 Coronavirus Pandemic and the recent Cost of Living Crisis have a knock on effect of a possible recession being just some of many lines that now divide us as a society.

In a recent inquiry into the future of civil society, it was found that charities and civil society must change if they are to meet the challenges our society faces and required a call on charities, among other things to be more accountable, and to stay true to their values.

We echo and welcome that challenge, as we are convinced that charities have the potential to be an important wellspring of cohesion and confidence. Not because they do 'safe', easy work, which creates a cosy consensus. Far from it – charities by the nature of their work will divide opinion. Charities are and must continue to be courageous advocates of their diverse and sometimes competing causes. The potential here for charities lies not in what they do or whom they help, but how they do it.


To put it starkly: charities have the potential to model the leadership that the public expect but are not seen in politics or business or other areas of national life.

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We truly believe that the public – people from all walks of life – are longing for strong, open, moral leadership. Charities have the potential to be a source of trust, reassurance, pride and belonging, to lead the change we need to see across society.

It's easy to think that 'charity' means 'raising money to help someone'. To be fair, that's what many charities spend a lot of their time doing. However, fundraising and charity do not mean the same thing at all. Charity means kindness, generosity and consideration.

St Joseph's Family Society as a charity has a role, an important role, in helping people in their communities to recognise this, and rise to the challenge.

Signed  _____
J. C. Rodriguez (Chair)
On behalf of all Trustees

Date: 20 December 2024

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Receipts and Payments Account

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £
Receipts			
Fundraising Events	4276	-	4276
Donations	3192	-	3192
“One Lottery” Income	23	-	23
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Total Receipts	7491	-	7491
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Payments			
Catering Food Supplies	4197	-	4197
Events & Activities Costs	208	-	208
Hospitality & Foodbank	313	-	313
Insurances (Public, Employer's & Volunteers)	418	-	418
Licences / Subscriptions	50	-	50
Printing & Stationery	95	-	95
Professional Fees	120	-	120
Sundry Payments	-	-	-
Telephone, Internet, Postage	165	-	165
Travel	382	-	382
Training	150	-	150
Utilities	923	-	923
Volunteers' Expenses	35	-	35
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Total Payments	7057	-	7057
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Net Receipts / (Payments)	433	-	433
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Assets			
Bank	72	-	72
Cash on hand	361	-	361
Debtors	-	-	-
Liabilities			
Creditors	-	-	-
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Equity	433	-	433
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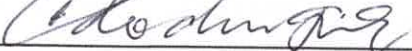
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On behalf of all Trustees

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