

TORQUAY READS

England & Wales · Charity number 1205751

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2023-11-16

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

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF TORQUAY READS ARE TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC IN TORQUAY AND THE SURROUNDING AREA BY:I. PROVISION OF FREE BOOKS TO CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE;II. ENCOURAGING READING AND PROMOTING LITERACY IN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY.

Activities: Torquay Reads aims to provide ownership of age-appropriate books for all children in Torquay to improve conditions of life. We also provide opportunities for engaging with reading and literature with the purpose of promoting and encouraging reading for pleasure. We promote and improve awareness of literacy as a vehicle for economic security, social mobility and well-being.

Classification

- **How:** Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- Torbay

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-04		£0	£0	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Alexandra Newton	Chair	2023-02-17
Dr Melita Clare Taylor		2023-02-17
Leanne Madge		2023-02-17

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Trustee's Annual Report for the period from 05/04/2024 to 04/04/2025



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Reference and Administration Details

Charity Name: Torquay Reads

Registered Charity Number: 1205751

Charity Address: c/o The Spires College
Westlands Lane
Torquay
TQ1 3PE

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity:

Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
Alex Newton	Chair	
Leanne Madge		
Melita Taylor	Secretary	

Names and addresses of advisors (optional information):

Type of advisor	Name	Address

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document: Constitution (adopted November 2023)

How the charity is constituted: CIO

Trustee selection methods: Trustees are appointed or reappointed every 3 years by resolution at the AGM held in October, except for the initial charity trustees.

Additional Information: The trustees oversee the day-to-day running of the charity along with additional committee members. Committee members bring their own expertise to the table and are fully involved in both operational and strategic planning.

There is a Safeguarding Policy in place. The charity does not work directly with children or other vulnerable people although the beneficiaries of the charity are children.

Objectives and Activities

Summary of the Objects:

To advance the education of the public in Torbay and the surrounding area through the provision of free books to children and young people and by encouraging reading and promoting literacy in the local community.

Summary of the main activities undertaken:

Following the setting up of the charity in November 2023 with the Charities Commission, the charity has been inactive for this reporting period due to personal circumstances with the trustees along with a lack of additional committee members.

Additional objectives and activities:

Please see the future plans section below.

Achievements and Performance

Please see the summary of main activities section above. There are no achievements for this reporting period.

Financial Review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves:

The charity had no bank account or cash funds for this financial period. Receipts and Payments (Form CC16a) are included in this report.

Details of any funds materially in deficit:

Not applicable

Other Optional Information

Future Plans:

The coming year will see a concerted drive to re-activate the charity. Trustees are able to take up their posts again and new committee members have been recruited. The aim is to complete our first distribution of books for Christmas 2025. In addition, we will apply for grants and aim to secure funding and sponsorship going forward.

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signatures:



Full Names: Ms Alexandra Newton

Dr Melita Taylor

Position: Chair

Secretary

Date: 03/02/2026

03/02/2026



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

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CC16a

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from 16/11/2023 To 04/04/2025

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					
Donations	-	-	-	-	-
Fundraising	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	-	-	-	-	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	-	-	-	-	-
A3 Payments					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	-	-	-	-	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	-	-	-	-	-

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))	OK	OK	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
	MEUTA TAYLOR	09/12/25

Notes:

The charity was not active during this period other than registering with the Charities Commission. It has no assets or liabilities for this reporting period. This is a nil return.