



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1st Jan 2023 Period start date To 31st Dec 2024 Period end date

Charity name: Swarthmoor Reading Room CIO

Charity registration number: 1206082

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To provide facilities for recreation and leisure in the interest of social welfare of local inhabitants.
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	User groups:- U3A ukulele, Tai Chi, Gentle exercise, Gramophone soc., Social Drop in, Girl Guides and Rainbows, Line Dancing, Qi Gong class, Furness Morris, Dance Church workshops. Fund raising coffee mornings for the reading room and other organisations, private rentals for parties etc, elections.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The purposes and activities of the charity all adhere to the Charity Commission.

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 users provide a wide range of activities enabling locals to have new experiences, establish new friendships and take up new interests. The activities also help local social cohesion.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	We have been able to update the electrics and provide heat exchange fans to help remove damp/condensation problems. Anew notice board has been provided thanks to donations from local users.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	We have successfully raised funds for the above work and had funds available for repair of the flat roof in the next financial year.

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	

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	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		The Reading room was set up in Trust in 1883. It was registered as a Charity in 2023
Type of governing document (trust deed , royal charter)	Para 1.25	In perpetuity by Deed of trust
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association , CIO)	Para 1.25	It is a CIO (Charitable incorporated organisation)
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions	Para 1.25	Trustees can be from user groups, the local community or co-opted. They are accepted by agreement of the trustees.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Swarthmoor Reading Room CIO
Other name the charity uses	n/a
Registered charity number	1206082
Charity's principal address	Swarthmoor Reading Room Park Road Swathmoor Cumbria LA12 0HJ

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	John Sherwen	Chair		
2	Jean Booth			
3	Anita Watson			
4	Carol Stringer	Bookings sec.		
5	Yvonne Athersmith			
6	Tina Boyle	Secretary		
7	Margaret Wadey	Safeguarding		
8	John Metcalfe			
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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)

J G Sherwen

Full name(s)

John Graham Sherwen

Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

Chair

Date

Swarthmoor Reading Room Accounts Year Ending 31st December 2024

Income

Rent	£ 6,853.00
Grants	£ 11,148.00
Donations	£ 755.00
Fundraising	£ 4,139.19
Interest	£ 115.46

TOTAL

£ 23,010.65

Expenditure

Cleaning	£ 1,075.72
Water	£ 241.96
Gas/Electricity	£ 2,306.17
Repairs & maintenance	£ 6,786.10
Insurance	£ 1,975.32
Music licence	£ 154.80
Safety Inspection	£ 774.00
Post Box	£ 34.98
Notice Board	£ 696.38
Sundries	£ 69.97

£ 14,115.40

Income for the year	£ 8,895.25
Balance b/f	£ 5,464.93
Available Funds	<u>£ 14,360.18</u>

Current Account	£ 2,042.02
Deposit Account	£ 12,205.74
Cash	£ 112.42
Available Funds	<u>£ 14,360.18</u>

I confirm these accounts to be a true summary of the financial records of
Swarthmoor Reading Room for the year ending 31st December 2024

Accounts prepared by W Laycock - Treasurer

W Laycock

Accounts audited by

TIM ERRINGTON
20/2/25