



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 20/12/23
Period end date

Period start date To 31/12/24

Charity name: Bee Wirral CIO

Charity registration number: 1206290

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>To relieve the needs of children separated from parents and/or other family members through divorce and family breakdown for the public benefit in particular by the provision of family contact sessions to facilitate contact arrangements with non-resident parents and other family members in a safe, secure and neutral location.</p> <p>To relieve financial hardship among people living in the Liverpool City region for the public benefit by providing such persons with furniture and household items which they could not otherwise afford through lack of means.</p> <p>For the public benefit, the preservation and protection of good health among men in the Liverpool City region including those who are retired, unemployed or have health problems, through the provision of facilities for hobbies, recreation or other leisure time occupation including practical interests, skills sharing, the learning of new skills, and helping with community based projects.</p>
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	<p>During the period stated above (23/24) Bee Wirral CIO has taken donations of furniture and redistributed them to local families experiencing 'furniture poverty'</p> <p>Bee Wirral CIO has provided a safe and secure environment for children to see non resident parents in able to facilitate healthy and robust relationships within the family unity.</p> <p>Bee Wirral CIO was successful in obtaining some funding from Unity Trust Bank to enable a support worker to provide activities for men in the Birkenhead area, this funding was received in this year although the spending for the worker will take place in this current year.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have	Para 1.18	Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public

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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
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>Bee Wirral CIO has supported families in maintaining relationships and improving outcomes for the children involved in parental break up.</p> <p>In a number of cases this has led to positive court outcomes for families resulting in children and non-resident parents having unsupervised contacts and dynamics settling to a new normal for children. This not only positively impacts the wellbeing of the child/ren but the whole family.</p> <p>Bee Wirral CIO has supported families in obtaining essential items for their homes at no cost such as beds/sofas etc but due to generous public donations of non-essentials items such as soft furnishings and children's toys we have been able to help a number of families turn an empty property into an environment in which children can feel safe, confident and able to thrive. These cases have been through referrals from social care indicating that our partnerships with other agencies are effective and worthwhile.</p>

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	With very few outgoings this year as work has been building from the inception of the CIO we are in a good position in that we have no outstanding liabilities and have secured funding to support projects moving forward.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<p><i>"Bee Wirral CIO aims to maintain a general reserve of unrestricted funds to meet its financial, legal and moral obligations to its service users, employees and volunteers and in a way that complies with Common Law and Charity Commission standards."</i></p> <p>Reserves are assets that an organisation maintains over and above those required for the day to day operations. Reserves allow the organisation to deal with any unexpected issues, such as sudden and unexpected reductions in income or large items of expenditure that were not budgeted for. It is typical for a trading organisation, including a charity, to maintain a general reserve comprising assets which are either cash (i.e. cleared funds at the bank) or in a form that can be converted into cash within the required period i.e. within a short period of time. Bee Wirral is at this point in an excellent position as we do not have any staff on payroll or commitments to rents or other liabilities either current or non current.</p> <p>Much of the organisations costs are currently being covered by Bee Wirral CIC while the transition of activities is taking place for this reason the reserve policy is that 'Reserves should be at least three months of monthly outgoings not covered by restricted funding income such as grants</p> <p>The Trustees will agree a target level for the general reserve, which will be kept under review and reassessed regularly. The amount of reserve will be reviewed annually and a new reserve amount set after year end accounts are completed.</p> <p>Reserve target for 2025 has been set as £1500.00, as this is our first fully active year this will be received within 6 months rather than the usual 12 months.</p> <p>The actual level of reserves at any time will then be measured against this target, and appropriate action taken to make up any shortfall / utilise any surplus. This review will take into account, current and non current liabilities/funding shortfalls/cost of wrapping up the organisation and joint working obligations already confirmed.</p>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	1482
Reasons for holding zero	Para 1.22	NA

reserves		
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	NA
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	No uncertainty due to minimal outgoings

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	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed , royal charter)	Para 1.25	Foundation Model Constitution
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	In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO

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	Bee Wirral CIO
Other name the charity uses	n/a
Registered charity number	1206290
Charity's principal address	1 Berner Street Birkenhead Wirral CH41 4JY

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	Rachael McCoosh	Chair		
2	Lorraine Anderson	Secretary		
3	Donna Golding			
4	Alison Twigg			
5	Sheila Henry			
6	Brian Kenny			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

[illegible]

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)

	
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Full name(s)

Rachael McCoosh	Donna Golding
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Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

Chair	Trustee
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Date

10/03/25



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Bee Wirral CIO

1206290

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

12/20/2023



To

12/31/2024

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	1,482	-	-	1,482	-
Unity Trust Bank Grant	-	5,000	-	5,000	-
Eleanor Rathbone Grant	-	4,000	-	4,000	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	1,482	9,000	-	10,482	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	1,482	9,000	-	10,482	-
A3 Payments					
Bank Fees	55	-	-	55	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	55	-	-	55	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	55	-	-	55	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,427	9,000	-	10,427	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	1,427	9,000	-	10,427	-

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		1,427	9,000	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	1,427	9,000	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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 asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
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			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	 	Rachael McCoosh Donna Golding	3/10/2025 3/10/2025	