



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1st June 2024 Period start date To 31st May 2025 Period end date

Charity name: **Commando Association**

Charity registration number: **1208694**

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To promote the well being, fellowship and esprit de corps for serving and retired members of the Commandos, their families and friends
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	For members to gather and attend events as (examples) the Cenotaph Remembrance Service Nov 10th 2024, 8th 11th Nov 2024 Remembrance Weekend at Fort Willim Spean Bridge attendance at Chelsea Parade 27th April 2025. Party visit to National Arboretum. Received further historical artefacts of items connected with former serving Commando Excursion to Netherlands to commemorate the anniversary of the landing in Flushing participation in the Commando Speed March and circulation of DISPATCHES magazine for veterans and serving members of the Commandos
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees confirm that they have had due regard to the Charity Commission Guidance on public benefit when carrying out the charity's activities for the year

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	CA does not currently make grants

Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	Not applicable
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		All functions carried out in support of the objects of the CA are carried though by members

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	The CA has expanded its work for the beneficiaries, membership has increased since the efforts made seeking registration with the Charity Commission by just over 29%. An increase in funds has followed from the increase in membership. Other gifts to the charity have also increased, including legacies from veteran commandos, due to the confidence of donors following achievement of the status of registration as a charity The adoption of "Membership MOJO " a computerised administrative system has very markedly increased the information available necessary to extend benefits available

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	
		The Commando Association has made

Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	no investments in this year
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Cash funds held at the bank at the end of the period (after all expenses) stood at 9,134.16
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	These funds will be used to cover expenses going forward
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	Not applicable
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	

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	Subscriptions, donations from supporters, including corporate donation fundraising events as at the Annual RH Chelsea gathering, at the Commando Speed March and raffles and auctions
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	The Charity is not currently making investments other than cash held at the bank
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	It appears that membership is increasing and that the age of members is not limiting the continued membership. Subscriptions are deliberately kept to a minimum to remain within reach of members
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		The trusts are those set out in the Objects, the purposes of the Commando Association
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	CIO
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	The first trustees were appointed from the membership. On the first annual retirement by rotation further trustees are appointed on election from the membership

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	The CA works closely with International Commando Heritage Trust with regard to the Commando memorial and commando related projects at Spean Bridge, Scotland
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	None
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Commando Association
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1208694
Charity's principal address	The Secretary 2 Westbrook Green West Side North Littleton Evesham WP11 8 QP

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	Tom Watson	Chairman		
2	Nick Collins			
3	Heather Hallum	Artefacts Manager		
4	Gina Fairfax			
5	Rom Lain		Stepped down August 2025	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
None		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
None		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	None
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)

GMF

Full name(s)

Gina Margaret Fairfax

**Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)**

Trustee

Date

31/03/2026



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COMMANDO ASSOCIATION

No (if any)

1208694

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

Period start date
17/06/2024

To

Period end date
31/05/2025

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					
Members Subscriptions	11,207	-	-	11,207	-
Donations	3,520	-	-	3,520	-
Legacies - Unrestricted General	500	-	-	500	-
Just Giving	7,437	-	-	7,437	-
Fund raising events	2,090	-	-	2,090	-
Auctions	1,770	-	-	1,770	-
Reimbursed travelling costs	510	-	-	510	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	27,034	-	-	27,034	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Deposit Account Interest	8	-	-	8	-
Investment Income	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	8	-	-	8	-
Total receipts	27,042	-	-	27,042	-
A3 Payments					
Annual General Meeting	-	-	-	-	-
Postage and Printing	7,595	-	-	7,595	-
Stationery	208	-	-	208	-
Travelling, Mileages and Accommodation	2,881	-	-	2,881	-
Computer Hardware and Licences	804	-	-	804	-
Relevant Charitable Donations	1,500	-	-	1,500	-
Veterans Musters and Meetings	1,443	-	-	1,443	-
FundRaising Events	382	-	-	382	-
Wreaths Memorials and pavers	769	-	-	769	-
Loan Refund	-	-	-	-	-
Regulatory and Professional Fees	35	-	-	35	-
Repayment of Overpaid Membership Fees (Pre-Charitable Status)	155	-	-	155	-
Room Hire	170	-	-	170	-
Pavers	111	-	-	111	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	16,053	-	-	16,053	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	16,053	-	-	16,053	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	10,989	-	-	10,989	-
A5 Transfers between funds					
CCXX R1 accounts (SS)	-	-	-	-	-

Transfers to cash	-	455			-	455	
A6 Cash funds last year end		19,527	-	-		19,527	-
Cash funds this year end		30,062	-	-		30,062	-

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				
	Current Bank account	28,181	-	-
	Donations Account	1,881	-	-
	Cash held	455	-	-
	Total cash funds	30,062	-	-
		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets				
		-	-	-
	Gazebo	1,956	-	-
	Association Parade Standard	2,646	-	-
	Container for Artefacts	4,950	-	-
		-	-	-
		9,552	-	-
B3 Investment assets				
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use				
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities				
			-	
			-	

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

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval

Signed by: Gina Fairfax	Gina Fairfax	30/03/2026
Signed by: Heather Hallum	Heather Hallum	30/03/2026



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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name
COMMANDO ASSOCIATION

On accounts for the year ended

31ST MAY 2025

Charity no
(if any)

CE036463

Set out on pages

1
(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/05/2025

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

The charity's gross income exceeded £25,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of Chartered Association of Certified Accountants.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Signed by:

Dulcie Karadia

Date:

30/03/2026

Name:

DULCIE KARADIA F.C.C.A

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

Chartered Association of Certified Accountants.

Address:

Redlands, Leddington, Ledbury, Herefordshire, HR8 2LG

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