



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	1	April	2024		31	March	2025

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name	Barclays & Standon United Charities
Other names charity is known by	Standon Charities
Registered charity number (if any)	209195
Charity's principal address	26 Fishers Close Puckeridge Ware Postcode SG11 1TD

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	Mark Acford	Chair		
2	Suzanne Anderson		Resigned as Trustee 15-Oct-2024	
3	Rev John Chitham			Ex-officio
4	Pat Foot		Resigned as Trustee 10-Sep-2024	
5	Andy Mansfield			
6	Kathryn Mansfield			
7	Jody Gray	Vice-Chair		
8	Zarina Luca		Resigned as Trustee 28-May-2024	Ex-officio
9	Chris Leage		Welcomed as a Trustee 27 th November 2024	

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

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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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Scheme
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Trust
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Trustees are co-opted, the local vicar is ex-officio trustee, and the Parish Council nominates at least one trustee.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

The Charity uses The Almshouse Association for advice and guidance on policies, procedures and governance issues,

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

- (1) The objects of the charity are the Almshouse objects, the relief in need object, the educational object and the Thomas Fysher object.
- (2) The Almshouse objects are
 - (a) the provision of Almshouse accommodation for beneficiaries; and
 - (b) such charitable purposes for the benefit of the residents as the trustees decide.

The land identified in part 2 of the schedule to this scheme must be retained by the trustees for use for the Almshouse objects of the charity.

- (3) The relief in need object is the relief of persons in need, hardship or distress resident in the area of benefit.

The trustees may relieve the beneficiaries by:

- (a) making grants of money to them; or
- (b) providing or paying for goods, services, or facilities for them; or
- (c) making grants of money to other persons or bodies who provide goods, services, or facilities to those in need.

In exceptional cases the trustees may decide to assist someone (who is otherwise qualified) who is:

- (a) resident outside the area of benefit; or
- (b) only temporarily resident in the area of benefit.

- (4) The educational object is to pay the income to the Hertfordshire Educational Foundation (Registered Charity number 311025).

- (5) The Thomas Fysher object is to pay:

- (a) 2/9ths of the income to the relief in need branch created by clause 2(4) of this scheme.
- (b) 5/9ths of the income to the education branch created by clause 2(5) of this scheme.
- (c) 2/9ths of the income to Christ's Hospital School (Registered Charity number 306975).

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Trustees have regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Almshouse branch: Provision of Almshouses.

Relief in Need branch: Grants have been made to individuals and local organisations.

Educational Branch: Grants have been made to Hertfordshire Education Foundation and Christs Hospital as required by the Scheme.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Trustees have maintained the Almshouses, received rents and returns on investments and used them to provide for the requirements of the Scheme.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Charity operates Cyclical and Emergency maintenance funds, keeps a balance on the grant making fund to enable extraordinary emergency grants to be made and will use any surplus on the Almshouse branch to increase the stock of Almshouses available.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

This financial year, the Charity has substantially increased its expenditure on maintenance of several of its Almshouses, including listed buildings. This has improved living conditions, increased cost efficiency, and lowered future maintenance needs

Section F

Other optional information

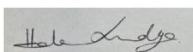
Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s) Helen Surridge

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Clerk to Trustees

Date

14th January 2026

Barclay's and Standon United Charities
Income & Expenditure by Branch 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025

	Almshouse Branch		Educational Branch		Relief in Need Branch		Thomas Fysher Branch		TOTAL	
	Apr 24 - Mar 25	Apr 23 - Mar 24	Apr 24 - Mar 25	Apr 23 - Mar 24	Apr 24 - Mar 25	Apr 23 - Mar 24	Apr 24 - Mar 25	Apr 23 - Mar 24	Apr 24 - Mar 25	Apr 23 - Mar 24
Ordinary Income/Expense										
Income										
Donations received	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,100.00
Dividends and interest	3,846.83	2,776.13	0.00	0.00	7,850.80	7,205.51	6,127.64	5,963.33	17,825.27	15,944.97
Branch appropriations										
From Thomas Fysher	0.00	0.00	3,410.94	3,319.47	1,358.35	1,321.93	0.00	0.00	4,769.29	4,641.40
Total Branch appropriations	0.00	0.00	3,410.94	3,319.47	1,358.35	1,321.93	0.00	0.00	4,769.29	4,641.40
Agricultural land rents	5,003.82	6,401.22	0.00	0.00	3,335.88	4,267.47	0.00	0.00	8,339.70	10,668.69
Weekly maintenance charges	52,664.62	53,326.92	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	52,664.62	53,326.92
Total Income	61,515.27	62,504.27	3,410.94	3,319.47	12,545.03	13,894.91	6,127.64	5,963.33	83,599	85,681.98
Expense										
Property management	9,600.00	9,600.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,600.00	9,600.00
Finance officer	4,075.48	2,245.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,075.48	2,245.00
Clerk	6,037.50	5,807.99	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,037.50	5,807.99
Repairs	61,248.10	36,551.57	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	61,248.10	36,551.57
Utilities	-20.59	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-20.59	0.00
Insurance	1,536.94	1,505.68	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,536.94	1,505.68
Loan interest	5,228.27	352.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,228.27	352.08
Membership subscriptions	454.00	511.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	454.00	511.00
Administrative expenses	1,599.90	1,221.24	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,599.90	1,221.24
Legal and professional costs	6,713.40	726.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,713.40	726.00
Total Expense	96,473.00	58,520.56	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	96,473.00	58,520.56
Net Ordinary Income	-34,957.73	3,983.71	3,410.94	3,319.47	12,545.03	13,894.91	6,127.64	5,963.33	-12,874.12	27,161.42
Other Income/Expense										
Other Expense										
Grants allocated	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,726.24	22,587.46	0.00	0.00	7,726.24	22,587.46
APPROPRIATIONS ~ Educational										
Hertfordshire Educational Foundation	0.00	0.00	3,410.94	3,319.47	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,410.94	3,319.47
Total APPROPRIATIONS ~ Educational	0.00	0.00	3,410.94	3,319.47	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,410.94	3,319.47
APPROPRIATIONS ~ Thomas Fysher										
Christ's Hospital School	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,358.35	1,321.93	1,358.35	1,321.93
Relief in Need Branch	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,358.35	1,321.93	1,358.35	1,321.93
Educational Branch	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,410.94	3,319.47	3,410.94	3,319.47
Total APPROPRIATIONS ~ Thomas Fysher	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,127.64	5,963.33	6,127.64	5,963.33
Total Other Expense	0.00	0.00	3,410.94	3,319.47	7,726.24	22,587.46	6,127.64	5,963.33	17,264.82	31,870.26
Net Other Income	0.00	0.00	-3,410.94	-3,319.47	-7,726.24	-22,587.46	-6,127.64	-5,963.33	-17,264.82	-31,870.26
Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year	-34,957.73	3,983.71	0.00	0.00	4,818.79	-8,692.55	0.00	0.00	-30,138.94	-4,708.84



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name
Standon & Barclays United Charities

On accounts for the year
ended

31/3/2025

Charity no
(if any)

209195

Set out on pages

(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 31/03/2025

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

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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

John Harris

Date:

28/08/2025

Name:

John Harris

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

Address:

4 South Road, Puckeridge, Ware SG11 1TH

Section B	Disclosure
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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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