

## **6. Trustee Report**

It has been immensely rewarding for the trustees to witness the continued success of Cambridge Student Community Action (SCA) over the past year, particularly in its flourishing projects and volunteer numbers. While we recognise the increasing challenges in securing grants amid growing competition, we remain steadfast in our commitment to ensuring the charity's financial sustainability in the year ahead.

Thanks to the dedication and hard work of our employees, Nicky and Laura, alongside the student steering group, SCA has had numerous highlights this year. In June, we were delighted to partner with the Fitzwilliam Museum to host a unique summer party for our young clients, featuring guided gallery tours and a pottery masterclass. Another significant achievement has been the successful relaunch of Betty's Musical Group. After a prolonged pause due to a lack of a project lead and regular volunteers, this project has been revitalised, largely due to Laura's unwavering commitment. Strengthening partnerships with local community and charitable organisations remains a priority for us as trustees.

Since our last report, we have welcomed three new trustees: Georgie Perrott, Suparna Dasgupta Ghose and Winny Li-Yan-Hui. Georgie has already made a substantial impact, particularly in employment matters, and we look forward to seeing how Suparna and Winny will contribute to advancing SCA's strategic mission. At the same time, we were saddened to bid farewell to Dwight Patten, who stepped down as a trustee this year. Since joining the board in 2021, Dwight played a pivotal role, particularly in supporting our Treasurer and Junior Treasurer through the finance sub-group.

I, too, will be stepping down as a trustee following the AGM. Serving on the board of SCA has been an incredibly enriching experience, and I am deeply grateful for the opportunity to learn from and work alongside the charity's trustees, employees, and steering group. It has been a privilege to support an organisation that empowers students from both Cambridge and Anglia Ruskin University to take on leadership roles and support community building in one of the UK's most unequal cities. For those considering joining SCA as a trustee, I strongly encourage you to reach out- we are always eager to hear from individuals who share a passion for our mission.

As always, we extend our heartfelt gratitude to our outgoing student trustees, Anoushka, Martin and Lucia. Special thanks go to Anoushka and Lucia, who have been steadfast members of the student steering group throughout their time at university. Their dedication and contributions have been invaluable.

Finally, we wish to express our appreciation to our funders and partners, whose generous support is essential to the continuation of our work in the Cambridge community. As a small charity, every donation makes a meaningful difference to the work we do, and we are eager to explore new avenues for corporate sponsorship and funding in the coming year. We have no doubt that SCA will remain a vital force for good, and we are excited to see how the charity continues to evolve in the coming year. If you are interested in supporting one of our projects financially, please do get in touch.

Frances Ballaster Harriss- Trustee appointed 2022





CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name  
Student Community Action

No (if any)  
263361

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## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/01/2024	To	Period end date 31/12/2024
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### 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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Grants	-	11 500	-	11 500	13 000
Donations	5 959	-	-	5 959	4 270
DBS income	19 569	-	-	19 569	14 861
Investment income	3 039	-	-	3 039	2 592
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>28 567</b>	<b>11 500</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>40 067</b>	<b>34 723</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>28 567</b>	<b>11 500</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>40 067</b>	<b>34 723</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Accountancy	263	-	-	263	241
Legal expenses	-	-	-	-	2 190
Activities	-	2 253	-	2 253	2 165
DBS Checks	13 274	906	-	14 180	10 760
Independent examination	450	-	-	450	500
Insurance	605	-	-	605	576
Sundry expenses	668	-	-	668	517
Post and stationery	485	-	-	485	1 069
Recruitment	-	-	-	-	392
Salaries and pensions	34 485	5 972	-	40 457	36 238
Telephone	-	-	-	-	44
Training	107	-	-	107	48
Travelling	60	-	-	60	1 582
Bank charges	65	-	-	65	60
Loss/(profit) on investment	-	-2 923	-	-2 923	221
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>50 462</b>	<b>6 208</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>56 670</b>	<b>56 161</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment Adjustment to cash basis</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>50 462</b>	<b>6 208</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>56 670</b>	<b>56 161</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>-21 895</b>	<b>5 292</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 16 603</b>	<b>- 21 438</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>56 920</b>	<b>86 449</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>143 369</b>	<b>164 807</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>35 025</b>	<b>91 741</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>126 766</b>	<b>143 369</b>

## 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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Investments	-	85 596	-
	Bank accounts	35 025	6 145	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>35 025</b>	<b>91 741</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Debtors	3 250	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	Independent examination	Unrestricted	450	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	



**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/  
members of**

Charity Name  
Student Community Action

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

31<sup>st</sup> December 2024

**Charity no  
(if any)**

263361

**Set out on pages**

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2024.

**Responsibilities and  
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 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:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

**Signed:**

**Date:**

21/07/2025

**Name:**

Brendan Chambers

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

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**Section B**

**Disclosure**

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