

THE COMMON, SOUTHWOLD

England & Wales · Charity number 304819

Details

Other names SOUTHWOLD COMMON TRUST

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1971-01-26

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

Contact

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Activities

Objects: RECREATIONAL GROUND FOR GENERAL BENEFIT OF INHABITANTS

Activities: Provision and maintenance of a recreational area.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Amateur Sport, Recreation
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** THE TOWN OF SOUTHWOLD
- Suffolk

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£33,718	£24,063	-	-
2024-03-31	£32,073	£30,278	-	-
2023-03-31	£14,163	£24,580	-	-
2022-03-31	£26,071	£18,257	-	-
2021-03-31	£12,705	£20,151	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Carl Hurr		2024-09-17
Cllr Simon Flunder		2018-08-08
David Beavan		2018-12-04
Dr Jane Miller		2024-02-12
Martin Palmer		2023-05-15
Paula Goldsmith		2019-05-07
Philip Davy		2023-05-15
Rhys Jarvis		2023-05-15
Robert Temple		2021-05-06
Victoria GLADWELL		2023-05-15
Victoria Redington		2023-05-15
michael Wells		2023-05-15

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Annual Report for The Common Trust Southwold 304819

For the year ended 31 March 2025

1. Charity Details

- **Charity Name:** The Common Trust Southwold
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2. Reference and Administrative Information

Governing Document:

The Trust is governed by its Trust Deed – see Charity Commission for full details; [The Charity Commission - GOV.UK](#)

Charity Trustees (Trustees) during the year and at the date of this report: [The Charity Commission - GOV.UK](#)

3. Structure, Governance and Management

a) Constitution:

The charity operates under the Trust Deed as per [The Charity Commission - GOV.UK](#)

b) Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees:

Trustees are appointed when they become a Southwold Town councillor

c) Induction and Training of Trustees:

New trustees receive induction materials including copies of governing documents, recent accounts, and Charity Commission guidance.

4. Objectives and Activities

a) Objects of the Charity:

The objects of The Common Trust Southwold are:

“To maintain and preserve The Southwold Common for the benefit of the public in perpetuity.”

b) Summary of Main Activities:

- Conservation and improvement of land and common areas on Southwold Common
- Community engagement and education activities
- Fundraising for maintenance and improvement projects

c) Public Benefit:

The trustees confirm that they have complied with Charity Commission guidance on public benefit, and all activities contribute to the charitable objects for the benefit of the public.

5. Financial Review

a) Principal Funding Sources:

Funds are derived from:

- Donations and gifts
- Grants
- Fundraising events
- Investment income

b) Reserves Policy:

The trustees aim to hold general reserves to meet planned maintenance work and unexpected costs.

c) Financial Position:

A full set of accounts is appended.

Date: 15th January 2026

The Common Southwold

Bank reconciliation to 31st March 2025

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<i>£49,402.56</i>	Total	£2,588.90 Dep	
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2023.2024	Description	2024.2025
Income		Income
£75.00	Shed rents	£145.84
£4,155.63	Car parking	£18,043.22
£5.75	Wayleaves	£5.75
£13,020.48	Rents	£15,495.00
£10,000.00	Donations	
£500.00	Grant ESC	
£26.97	interest for year	£28.55
£4,290.00	grant for bench	
£32,073.83		£33,718.36
Expenditure		Expenditure
£7,269.98	grounds maintenance	£11,043.40
£10,071.60	Legal/landlords resp	£1,228.80
£3,056.17	dog bins and bags	£2,735.14
£1,733.84	Insurance	£1,818.79
£68.70	electricity UKPN / water/ fire protection	£1,257.40
£360.00	signs / bird boxes	£288.00
£105.00	Tree and other grounds works	£5,570.40
£1,296.00	hemlock	
£80.00	lottery licence/ ico LICENCE	£92.00
£1,752.00	donation boxes	
£30.00	Audit	£30.00
£3,924.96	asset purchase - seat & fencing	
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Report Of The Trustees

for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Objectives and aims; Provision and maintenance of a recreational area.

The Charity principally receives income from rental of its property and from donations. The income is used to maintain the area known as The Common Southwold.

It is the Charity's and Trustees policy to maintain reserves at a level it considers necessary to; provide a contingency for emergencies and meet cash flow fluctuations.

The governing document of the charity is the Will Of William Godell Esq, Dated 22 May 1509

The Charity is an unincorporated Charity. The Charity was first registered on 26th January 1971.

The body of Trustees is made of the individuals who are the elected members of Southwold Town Council.

Registered Charity number 304819

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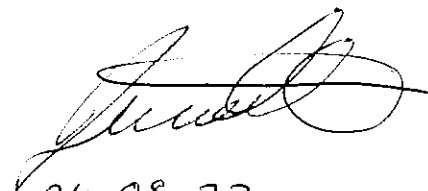
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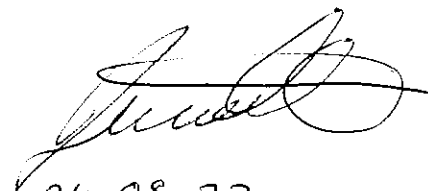
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