

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 April 2022 Period start date To 31 March 2023 Period end date

**Charity name: Charles Booth Centre** 

Charity registration number: 1166944

### **Objectives and Activities**

|  | SORP reference     |   |
|--|--------------------|---|
| Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document  Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the | Para 1.17 and 1.19 | To run a Community Centre and to promote for the benefit of the inhabitants of the Parish of Thringstone and the surrounding Parishes of Whitwick, Swannington, Worthington, Osgathorpe, Coleorton and Belton ("area of benefit") without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, nationality, race or political, religious or other opinions the provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disablement, financial hardship or social and economic circumstances or for the public at large in the interests of social welfare and with the object of improving the conditions of life of the said inhabitants.  The Charity continues to manage the centre for the benefit of local inhabitants.  The Centre is a venue for social events |
| activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.   |                    | such as the regular coffee mornings and warm-hub. Our pre-school is open Monday to Friday during the working day. Local community groups such as art and craft, wellbeing, sport, language, music and amateur dramatic societies rent rooms on a weekly basis and local residents regularly book our function rooms for private parties which is a good source of income for the Centre.  |
| Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit   | Para 1.18          | It is confirmed that the Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity commission on public benefit.   |

## 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      | Throughout 2022-23 a small group of committed local residents volunteered to run our regular monthly coffee mornings which raised funds for other charities. We also have a volunteer gardener and one of our trustees puts in many additional volunteer hours doing DIY and maintenance to improve the building. The local scouts who meet on our premises help with our Santa fun run and also help around the garden. |
| 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      | Our main achievement has been to maintain the community centre for the local community, providing jobs to local people and a friendly welcoming environment to all of our users.  Notable achievements during 2022-23 were the improvement of our bars and downstairs kitchen facilities which allow better flexibility for user groups and those hiring the venue for parties.  We opened our doors to vulnerable village residents during the cold winter months as a warm hub where people could come for a warm drink and a chat and this has been particularly welcomed by locals. |

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

| Achievements against objectives set | Para 1.41 |  |
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| Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set | Para 1.41 |  |
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| Investment performance against objectives                    | Para 1.41 |  |
| Other  |           |  |

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## **Financial Review**

| Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period              | Para 1.21 | We have had a full year of bookings and events which has been a good source of income plus we have secured some small grants towards minor projects.  We have completed an extensive programme of building improvements, refurbishing both bars and the downstairs kitchen which has meant dipping into our surplus funds, but these have been completed within budget and have made a big difference to the working environment for our staff and for the user experience of our customers.  Bank balance at year end March 2023 is £5313.17 plus £965.36 petty cash. |
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| Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held   | Para 1.22 | There is no policy for retaining reserves, however surplus funds have been invested on the advice of an independent financial advisor and are readily accessible   |
| Amount of reserves held  | Para 1.22 | At year end March 2023 - 3 investment accounts £1972.79, £83047.97 and £26583.93 plus a Business Instant Access account holding £17260.71.   |
| Reasons for holding zero reserves  | Para 1.22 | N/A  |
| Details of fund materially in deficit  | Para 1.24 | N/A - There are no funds in deficit  |
| Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern | Para 1.23 | N/A - There are no uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern   |

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 | The sources of income this year have been: income from our user groups for renting rooms and from individual village residents for booking rooms for parties and events; small individual grants towards boxing classes, warm hub and funding towards village Jubilee party.  |
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| 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 | Rising energy prices are our current greatest risk. The community centre is a large old building that takes a lot of energy to heat and we have many elderly user groups in addition to our pre-school so the building needs to be kept warm. We are in the final stages of a national lottery grant to replace our old boiler and windows. |

| Other |  |
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# Structure, Governance and Management

| Description of charity's trusts:   | 1         |   |
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| Type of governing document   | Para 1.25 | CIO constitution – Charity Commission approved model  |
| How is the charity constituted?  | 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 | Existing Trustees may be re-elected at Annual General Meetings. Individuals may be proposed in writing by inhabitants of the area of benefit at least two weeks in advance of an Annual General Meeting and if deemed acceptable may be elected at the Annual General Meeting. User Groups may nominate an individual to represent them and if deemed acceptable may be appointed by existing trustees. Individuals may be co-opted by existing trustees. |

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 |  |
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| 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                | Charles Booth Centre |
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| Other name the charity uses | None                 |

| Registered charity number   | 1166944        |
|-----------------------------|----------------|
| Charity's principal address | The Green      |
|                             | Thringstone    |
|                             | Coalville      |
|                             | Leicestershire |
|                             | LE67 8NU       |
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# 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) entit to appoint trustee (if any) |
|----|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| 1  | Amanda Berry      | Chair           |                                   | Re-elected user group trustee at AGM                       |
| 2  | Pauline Pollard   | Secretary       |                                   | Re-elected at AGM  |
| 3  | Markas Marriot    |                 |                                   | Re-elected user group trustee at AGM                       |
| 4  | Antiony Dandy     |                 |                                   | Re-elected at AGM  |
| 5  | Geoff Cox         |                 | 1/4/22-27/9/22                    | Re-elected at AGM  |
| 6  | Hywel Tidley      |                 |                                   | Re-elected at AGM  |
| 7  | Katy Reddington   |                 |                                   | Elected at AGM   |
| 8  | Lydia Clark-Betts |                 |                                   | Elected at AGM   |
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Corporate trustees - names of the directors at the date the report was approved

| Director name |  |
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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

| Trustee name | Dates acted if not for whole year |  |
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Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

| Description of the assets held in this capacity                                  |  |
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| Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this |  |

| falls within the custodian charity's objects  Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets |                       |  |
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| Type of   | Name                  | ers (Optional information) Address                 |
| adviser   |                       |  |
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| Name of cl  | nief executive or nan | nes of senior staff members (Optional information) |
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| Exempt  | ions from disclo      | sure   |
| Reason for  | non-disclosure of key | y personnel details                                |
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| Other of  | otional informat      | ion  |
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# **Declarations**

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

| Signed on behalf of the                | e charity's trustees |                     |
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| Signature(s)                           | ATBerry              | Jay War             |
| Full name(s)                           | Dr Amanda Jill Berry | Antony Joseph Dandy |
| Position (e.g., Secretary, Chair, etc) | Chair                | Trustee             |
| Date                                   | 14/2/24              |                     |