



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01 July 2019 Period start date To 30 June 2020 Period end date

Charity name: Tyneside Welcomes

Charity registration number: 1183738

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>Tyneside Welcomes exists for the public benefit of refugees and their host communities in Northeast England:-</p> <p>(1) To relieve poverty and to preserve and protect the physical and mental health of those granted refugee status and their dependants particularly by practical support, advice and assistance with the provision of housing;</p> <p>(2) To advance the education and training of those granted refugee status and their dependents in need thereof so as to advance them in life and assist them to adapt within a new community; and</p> <p>In furtherance of the above 2 purposes the organisation Tyneside Welcomes sponsors the integration of refugees and local communities through practical action and supportive partnerships with statutory and other agencies.</p>
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	<p>The main activities have been fundraising; and learning about life for refugees in the UK; resettlement; and the requirements of running a charity.</p> <p>We have developed a resettlement plan and liaised with Sponsorrefugees, RESET, the N East Migration Partnership, English Language providers, Karbon Homes, Bernicia, Home Group, North Tyneside Council and the Home Office. NTC and the Home Office have both approved our plan in principle. Home Group offered a suitable property.</p> <p>Many of our members have themselves volunteered with other organisations such as Walking With, Crossings, Tyne and Wear Citizens, and Citizens Advice to gain insight and skills that will be needed to support a resettled family. This has all enabled us to focus on embedding Tyneside Welcomes in the N East charitable and citizenship landscape</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have	Para 1.18	The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public

had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit		benefit, as expressed in the guidance at: https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/866947/CC3_feb20.pdf Trustees (and Co-ordinating Committee members) have engaged with online and face-to-face training by North Tyneside Council, VODA, RESET, and Sponsorrefugees.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	n/a
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	n/a
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	All Tyneside Welcomes activity is volunteer-led. No member or Trustee has received payment. Volunteers have given skills and resources to which they have access – their houses and gardens, culinary and musical skills, financial and administrative skills, friendship groups, time and effort. This has put us in the position that we have the financial, skills, support and statutory resources we need to now welcome a family. It is the Chair’s honour to thank everyone for what they have achieved together. In future we aim to develop more of a record of time spent and who spent it. For now, this information may be gleaned from minutes of meetings, sub-group documentation, etc. Individual members of the Co-ordinating Committee have taken Lead roles (or deputy roles) for Liaison, the management of sub-groups, etc., nas shown in the Resettlement Plan.
Other		The impact of Covid-19 since March 2020 has caused all resettlement flights to be paused. Tyneside Welcomes has supported the pressure from the Community Sponsorship movement on the Home Office to resume these, with the UNHCR. It is of enormous frustration that we are left in limbo despite the great amount of preparatory work we have achieved.

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	

<p>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.</p>	<p>Para 1.20</p>	<p>We would point to the involvement of a broader local community in events: over 250 people have taken part in musical evenings, a progressive supper, or garden events. We have developed a positive working relationship with Home Group and to some extent (e.g. through the musical evenings in a local Community Centre, our website and a Facebook and Twitter presence) enabled a wider community to be aware. Councillors, our local MP and the North Tyneside Strategic Partnership have all supported us and attended our events.</p> <p>We have developed links to Newcastle Central Mosque and some Catholic churches/Justice and Peace Groups – all of whom have sent representatives to meetings and/or events.</p> <p>The North Tyneside Strategic Partnership presentation and approval enabled us to successfully engage with a broader range of regional stakeholders – introducing Community Sponsorship to them for the first time.</p> <p>The main barrier we have experienced has been from Covid-19. We have also been reticent to publicise our work in too much detail in advance of a family coming as this was the guidance received from NTC.</p>
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Additional information (optional)

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<p>Achievements against objectives set</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	<p>We had an objective to welcome the first family, however the barriers from the Covid-19 pandemic have prevented this.</p>
<p>Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	<p>Our target was to raise £9k. This has been significantly exceeded.</p>
<p>Investment performance against objectives</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	<p>n/a</p>
<p>Other</p>		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Our position is healthy, although there have been few demands on our finances as yet. We set an objective of raising a minimum of £9,000 to meet the Home Office eligibility criteria for Community Sponsorship. We have exceeded this by £3,366.26. All our funds are currently unrestricted, general funds.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We have no formal reserve policy at present time, other than to be prudent and careful with the funds entrusted to us.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	n/a
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	All funds raised are specifically for the support of the families being re-settled. Tyneside Welcomes is run on a volunteer basis and does not employ staff so there is no need to build in a reserve for any staff related issues such as redundancy.
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	n/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	The main uncertainty is Government Policy related to the Community Sponsorship model and bringing refugee families into the UK in the context of Covid-19. Our reliance on volunteers brings with it the assumption (and associated risk) that there will be people willing to undertake the work on an ongoing basis.

Additional information (optional)

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The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Tyneside Welcomes' principal sources of funding are through fundraising events and donations. In the last financial year £6,142 was raised through fundraising and £5,947.11 raised through donations (the latter includes donations made at fundraising events as well as standing orders and one-off donations through other mechanisms). An additional £1,014.36 was gained through a gift aid claim of aggregate small donations and named donations where name and postcode details were collected. Expenditure for the period was £805.48 and this covered bank charges, expenses related to fundraising events and public liability insurance. The £5000 bank transfer between NE Credit Union and Triodos is added into the accounting system and shows up as 'expenditure' in the final summary.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	We have decided, as true to our values, to use an ethical bank (Triodos). We also have a local North East Credit Union account as this was convenient and quick to set up and helps our engagement with our local community.

A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	We have compiled a Risk Register which is appended below
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust deed
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	Appropriate relevant experience at right level, as decided by existing trustees. Two trustee references are taken up. We aim to increase diversity among the Trustees and are discussing with VODA as to how best we can do this. Tyne & Wear Citizens is entitled to nominate a Trustee, but has not yet done so (NB the Chair of Trustees is a Co-Chair of the Safer Cities Action Team and a current member of the Leadership Group of Tyne and Wear Citizens).

Additional information (optional)

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Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	Trustees meetings include informal time to support those new to the role and to discuss the attendant responsibilities. The Chair and other Trustees meet individually with new Trustees to help induct them. We have also encouraged and taken up training offered by RESET, Sponsorrefugees, VODA and others.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	The formal members of the CIO are the Trustees. All Trustees are also members of the Co-ordinating Committee (CC) which has a crucial role in agreeing expectations and informing and supporting the Trustees. Members of the CC lead sub-groups to deal with specific areas (housing, banking, benefits, volunteering, translation, data protection, communication, and ESOL, for example). Trustees maintain a full overview of these activities. All safeguarding and financial decisions are taken by Trustees, not the Co-ordinating Committee, although the Trustees seek the views of the CC. We hold important external links with – RESET, Sponsorrefugees, NTC/Baian Al-Chebib, Walking With, Newcastle Central Mosque, and Tyne & Wear Citizens.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	Tyneside Welcomes subscribes to the local chapter of Citizens UK, "Tyne & Wear Citizens" in pursuit of its objectives in listening to and supporting the local communities of which resettled refugees will be a part.

Other		
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Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Tyneside Welcomes
Other name the charity uses	@TyneWelcomes on Twitter
Registered charity number	1183738
Charity's principal address	11 Victoria Avenue Newcastle upon Tyne NE12 8AX

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	Richard Young	Chair	From 01 October 2019	
2	Alasdair Wilson	Treasurer		
3	Edwin Reavley	Chair	Until 30 September 2019	
4	Sally Mitchison	Safeguarding Lead	From 30 October 2019	
5	Jill Bradbury		From 30 October 2019	
6	Lindsay Brigham	Secretary	From 30 October 2019	
7	Jane Mary Young		From 27 November 2019	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	n/a
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	n/a
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)		
Full name(s)	Richard Getliff Young	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	24 th August 2020	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name Tyneside Welcomes	No (if any) 1183738
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 19-Feb-19	To	Period end date 30-Jun-20
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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 £
A1 Receipts				
Donations	5,947	-	-	5,947
Fundraising Events	6,142	-	-	6,142
HMRC Giftaid	1,014	-	-	1,014
Bank Interest	1	-	-	1
Cash in Hand	67	-	-	67
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	13,171	-	-	13,171
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).				
n/a	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	13,171	-	-	13,171
A3 Payments				
Hire Charges	465	-	-	465
Lottery Licence	20	-	-	20
Insurance	296	-	-	296
Sundries	19	-	-	19
Bank Charges	5	-	-	5
	-	-	-	-
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Sub total	805	-	-	805
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)				
n/a	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total payments	805	-	-	805
Net of receipts/(payments)	12,366	-	-	12,366
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	12,366	-	-	12,366

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	NE FirstCredit Union	5,724	-
	Triodos	6,575	-
	Cash +Paypal	67	-
	Total cash funds	12,366	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

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Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-
		-	-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name

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