



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	April	2016		31	March	2017

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Devon Ambulance Response Teams

Other names charity is known by

DART

Registered charity number (if any)

1167176

Charity's principal address

The Old Court House
South Molton Street
Chulmleigh, Devon
Postcode EX18 7BW

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	Philip French	Chairman		
2	Samuel Moyse	Treasurer		
3	Peter Older			
4	Ian Jury			
5	Ronald Pigott		Until 17 October 2016	
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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)	Trust Deed
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Trust
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Elected by existing trustees

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.

All trustees are bound by a Code of Conduct based on Best Practice. Our accounts are reviewed by an independent third party reviewer.

Section C Objectives and activities

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

The relief of sickness and the preservation of good health by the provision of equipment and training to support the charitable work of first responder schemes in the parish of chulmleigh and neighbouring parishes or of the immediate neighbourhood or any part of the county of Devon as the trustees shall from time to time in their discretion decide

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)

Provision of a 4x4 vehicle, training aids and ancillary equipment to Chulmleigh Fire Fighters carrying out Co-Responding duties on behalf of the Southwestern Ambulance Service.
Part funding [app 50%] of staff costs of each call out.
The responders have responded to 99 life threatening emergency call outs in their area in their first year [1st July 2016 to 30 June 2017] serving Chulmleigh and approximately a 10 mile radius around.

The trustees have had due regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

The responders have provided first aid and CPR demonstrations to local groups.

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

Scheme launch on 1st July 2016 of the Co-Responding Service in Chulmleigh following the establishment of a Memorandum Of Understanding [MOU] between DART and Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Service.

DART undertook, in the MOU, to supply a new liveried 4x4 vehicle and to fund approximately half of the staff costs of the service.

We have also supplied additional ancillary equipment as requested by our co-responders.

We have been well supported by our local community with a number of fundraising events and have been successful in obtaining some grants from our local parish, district, and county councils.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity has no formal policy on reserves but aims to hold at least six months normal running costs in order to meet commitments and to cover any unexpected expenditure.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

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.

The charities funds to date have been raised by obtaining grants from the local government [app. 50%] and raising monies within the local community through events [coffee mornings, pub quiz nights, curry benefit night etc.] We also have a number of collection boxes in local businesses.

Section F

Other optional information

The trustees are unpaid and do not claim expenses. The accounts are review by an independent 3rd party.

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)

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Date