

# Charity Health Check

## How healthy is your charity?

If you answer no to any of the below questions, we would really like to meet you and share with you how Hawsons may be able to help you. We offer all new clients a free initial, no-obligation consultation, at a time to suit you. Whether we are appointed as auditors/advisers, or helping with a one-off exercise, we look forward to meeting you.



## Questions

	YES
Do you feel that your charity has sufficient funds to undertake all of its aims?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Have the trustees outlined a policy for reserves setting out the amount the charity needs to hold in funds?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Have you reviewed the new charity SORP and understand how your charity's accounts may be affected?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Do the charity's accounts present the best image to funders and the public at large?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Are you making full use of the SORP exemptions to make the charity's published accounts easier to follow?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Have you undertaken a VAT health check in the last 12 months?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does the charity have incoming resources that may be VATable?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Are you confident that your charity is not undertaking trading activities?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Are you aware of the tax laws relating to charities and are confident that the charity is complying with them?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Do you find dealing with the charity's payroll and making HMRC returns a straightforward process?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Do the charity's trustees know about their responsibilities and level of personal risk?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Has the charity considered the potential benefits of incorporation?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Have you reviewed the structure of the charity recently to check that it's still appropriate for the activities that it undertakes?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Are you comfortable that the charity has control over all of its incoming resources and expenditure?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Can the charity demonstrate how funds have been applied to its aims with relative ease at any given point in time?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does the charity have a funding plan for the next 12-24 months?	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Did you answer no to any of these questions?**



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