A Guide to CONSOLIDATED REPORTING for Charities

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About Charity Intelligence

In 2017, Lynn Pates and Guy Davies founded Charity Intelligence with the simple aim of helping charities and not-for-profit organisations find the right professional support services.

www.charityintelligence.co.uk is free for charities to use and allows them to efficiently review and compare investment managers, lawyers, accountants and insurance specialists, before selecting the provider or providers to meet their needs.

With 30 years' experience helping charities transform their precious money into effective investments, we understand the financial, regulatory and governance challenges faced by the sector.



Get to know about INVESTMENTS



Choosing investments is just the beginning of your work as a charity investor. As time goes by, you will need to monitor the performance of these investments to see how they are working together in your portfolio to help your charity achieve its goals.

As a charity, there are several reasons you might want to invest your money: To maximise your long-term funds, in line with Charity Commission guidance. To generate a sustainable, reliable income to support your charity. To potentially grow your money to fund future expansion. Whatever the size of your charity, making the most of your funds is one of the biggest responsibilities you face.

All investments carry risk, even a simple cash deposit, but it's important to understand and manage them. You need to think about everything, from how comfortable you are that the total value of your charity's assets might fluctuate, to how easily you need to access your money.

The benefits of CONSOLIDATED REPORTING



It can often be confusing to assess the investments your charity holds, including the overall allocation to different asset classes, such as equities, bonds, property and alternatives, and the risk they each carry.

Consolidated investment reporting is extremely helpful when your charity has more than one investment manager or different assets. It provides a complete overview of the investments held across all investment managers and therefore helps you to assess how your overall portfolio is valued and its performance. While you will receive valuations from different managers, combining them to give you a consolidated picture of your charity's overall portfolio will allow you to identify why the value is up or down, so you can decide on your next move.

As investment markets change, consolidated reports allow you to identify any opportunities to improve your portfolio's performance, perhaps by diversifying into a different sector of the economy or allocating into an alternative asset class. If you do not evaluate and compare the results of different asset managers, you may end up drawing the wrong conclusions.

Is Consolidated Reporting right for your CHARITY?

The Charity Intelligence Consolidation Report can be tailored to your charity's requirements to ensure it directly addresses your organisation's concerns and provides you with answers to your questions. Here are some key considerations to help identify whether consolidated reporting is a priority for you and your charity:



You need to have oversight and want to create transparency around the performance of your investments for all stakeholders.



You want to reduce the administration, accounting and data management related to your investments, which can be difficult, expensive and time consuming.



You want to view your portfolio more holistically and be able to spot overlapping assets and diversify better.



You need a true and fair view of your organisation's financial health.



You want to improve the way you manage investment expectations by understanding the different managers' attributes, assets and risk profiles.



You need to demonstrate that investment performance is achieving the best results for beneficiaries and other stakeholders.

How to manage PERFORMANCE REPORTING



With performance reporting from Charity Intelligence, you can benefit from an accessible, consolidated overview of your investments with the option to take a deep dive into the results of each asset manager and different parts of your portfolio.

Our consolidated reporting service will provide you with:

- A timely, independent and focused report
- A summary of the overall value of your investments
- Transparent asset management
- A foundation for confident decision-making
- Performance analysis
- Asset allocation
- Sector, market and currency exposure
- Risk-return analysis
- Comparison to the recommended asset allocation
- An overview of all your investments across all asset managers, portfolios and asset classes.

So how does this benefit your charity?

Consolidated reporting saves time and energy, enabling charities to concentrate on important core activities and providing a confident foundation for important investment decisions. Investing in this type of reporting not only reduces the risk of manual error but informs good financial governance, supporting your charity to meet its financial objectives.

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Let's Talk

To arrange a demonstration of the consolidated reports or a general no commitment chat, contact us today!



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To help charities to achieve great results, making the right connections through informed choices.

Great results start with

choices

