

ARMONIA UK TRUST

REPORT & ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

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LEGAL & ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

Registered Charity	1037177
Office Address	Freepost Armonia
Treasurer's Address	47b Prince of Wales Mansions Prince of Wales Drive Battersea London SW11 4BH
Governing Document	Declaration of Trust dated 28 September 1993, as amended O
Trustees	A Lobsinger P S Mills (Treasurer) S Mortin S L Seah M Smith S Webley (Chair)
Bankers	Barclays Bank PLC Moorgate London EC1
Independent Examiner	Jaimée Young Stewardship 1 Lamb's Passage London EC1Y 8AB

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

The trustees present the Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2020.

CHARITABLE OBJECTS

Armonia UK Trust is the UK organisation that supports Organizacion Armonia A.C., a Mexican Civil organisation supporting poor communities in Mexico City, its surrounding areas and in Oaxaca State. This support consists of educational aid, community support and development, and the advance of the Christian religion, as set out in the Statement of Beliefs annexed to the trust deed. The specific objectives of Armonia UK Trust are to advance the work of Organizacion Armonia A.C. in the UK, to raise funds and to seek to encourage volunteers to go to Mexico to provide resources for building projects, summer school teaching and other areas of need as required.

The trustees seek to ensure that all general donations given are forwarded to Mexico without deduction of expenses, and this has been the case throughout the year. An 'Office Account' is maintained within the charity to which donations are specifically designated, from which payments for all expenses, bank charges and resources are made.

ORGANISATION

The trustees currently meet on an occasional basis to set policy, review activities and monitor the financial situation.

REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES

The trustees sent the equivalent of £65,780 to Mexico during the year. Unfortunately, no volunteer groups went from the UK in 2020.

The funds were primarily spent on the support of indigenous Mexican students studying in Oaxaca and Mexico City and the maintenance of their buildings of residence. Matthew Smith (trustee) stayed at Armonia Mexico for several months in 2020 due to coronavirus travel restrictions. In addition, regular reports on the work in Mexico are received both directly at trustees' meetings by Skype and through regular newsletters and financial statements.

At the beginning of 2020, £2,626 was received for the Big Give Campaign launched in 2019 for scholarships for indigenous students housed at the Armonia residences in Oaxaca state. Towards the end of 2020, a further special appeal was made in conjunction with Virgin Money Giving to raise funds for aid for indigenous students' families. The latter campaign raised a total of £5,797 with £4,725 received and sent in 2020 with the balance due to be sent in 2021.

In considering the activities of the charity the trustees have had regard to the guidance of the Charity Commission on public benefit.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Receipts for the year of £107,154 were £65,085 more than in 2019, due to a substantial bequest (£56,250) and a sizeable donation (£10,000) for the students' residence. Payments to Mexico of £65,780 were £20,480 higher than in 2019 as a result of the increased income.

The trust's standing target for general fund giving of the equivalent of MXN1.75 mn (pesos) was not met. A total of MXN1.79 mn was sent in 2020 of which MXN1.37 mn was unrestricted.

RESERVES

With only limited UK operational expenditure, the trustees do not consider a formal reserves policy to be necessary, but have agreed that a balance of £2,000 should ideally be maintained in the Office account. At the end of the year the charity had balances of £40,500 compared to £421 the previous year as the dispatch of significant one-off receipts was smoothed over the 2020 and 2021 financial years. (Balances had been significantly reduced by end-March 2021). The balance in the main account was regularly sent to Mexico, usually once around £5,000 had accumulated or when a request for funds was made.

RISK STATEMENT

The trustees have examined the major risks that the charity faces. These are predominantly financial (shortfall of funds and fraud). Controls are in place to address the risk of financial misappropriation and the charity's accounts cannot be overdrawn. The trustees also initiated a review of safeguarding policy and requested that Armonia Mexico send a copy of its safeguarding practices.

TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

Under the Charities Act 2011, the trustees are required to prepare a statement of accounts for each accounting year.

They are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the trust and to ensure that such accounts and records comply with the Charities Act 2011.

They also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the trust and to take reasonable steps to detect fraud or other irregularities and to provide reasonable assurances that:

1. The trust is operating efficiently and effectively,
2. Its assets are safeguarded against unauthorised use or disposition,
3. Financial information used in the trust or for publication is reliable, and
4. The trust complies with relevant laws and regulations.

The accounts were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf on 24th May 2021 by:

Simon Webley

S Webley
Chairman of Trustees

Independent Examiner's Report
To the Trustees of
Armonia UK Trust

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Armonia UK Trust (the charity) for the year ended 31 December 2020 on pages 5 to 7 following.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Jaimée Young

Jaimée Young

For and on behalf of:
Stewardship
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LONDON
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Date: 31 / 5 / 21

ARMONIA UK TRUST
RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Notes	General Fund £	Designated Funds (Office) £	Restricted Funds £	2020 £	2019 £
Receipts						
<i>Voluntary receipts</i>						
Grants & gifts received		27,833	1,400	17,338	46,571	37,130
Legacy		56,250	-	-	56,250	-
Tax refunded under Gift Aid		2,748	255	1,330	4,333	4,939
Total Receipts		<u>86,830</u>	<u>1,655</u>	<u>18,668</u>	<u>107,154</u>	<u>42,069</u>
Payments						
Direct Charitable Costs	2	47,479	1,294	18,301	67,074	46,435
		<u>47,479</u>	<u>1,294</u>	<u>18,301</u>	<u>67,074</u>	<u>46,435</u>
Net Receipts/(Payments)		39,351	361	368	40,079	(4,366)
Balances 1 January		410	10	-	421	4,787
Transfers - Office a/c surplus transfer		-	-	-	-	-
Balances 31 December		<u>39,762</u>	<u>371</u>	<u>368</u>	<u>40,500</u>	<u>421</u>

Movements on reserves and all recognised gains and losses are shown above.

The notes on page 7 form part of these accounts.

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Notes	2020	2019
		£	£
Bank & Cash Balances			
Held at Bank	4	40,500	421
		<u>40,500</u>	<u>421</u>
Other Assets & Liabilities			
<i>Assets</i>			
Gift aid tax recovery not yet received		3,528	3,965
		<u>3,528</u>	<u>3,965</u>
<i>Liabilities</i>			
Unbilled fee for Independent Examination		570	570
		<u>570</u>	<u>570</u>

The accounts were approved by the trustees on 24th May 2021 and signed on their behalf

by Simon Webley

Simon Webley

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

1 Accounting policies

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis with a statement of assets and liabilities.

2 Charitable activities

	General Funds £	Designated Funds (Office) £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
a Direct Charitable Costs					
Grants paid					
Organizacion Armonia A.C. Mexico City	47,479	-		47,479	34,873
Travel costs		-		-	2,443
Student residence		-	10,000	10,000	-
Scholarships	-	-	3,576	3,576	2,575
Well project	-	-	-	-	5,409
Indigenous families appeal	-	-	4,725	4,725	-
	47,479	-	18,301	65,780	45,300
b Support & Administration					
Office costs	-	280	-	280	273
Bank charges	-	409	-	409	255
Administration services	-	35	-	35	35
Fundraising	-	-	-	-	62
Accounts examination	-	570	-	570	510
	-	1,294	-	1,294	1,135
Combined charitable activity cost	47,479	1,294	18,301	67,074	46,435

Staff and trustees

3 The Trust had no employees during the year.

No amounts were paid or are due to be paid to any trustee or to any person connected to them apart from reimbursed expenses.

4 Cash at bank balances

	2020 £	2019 £
Barclays main account	40,129	410
Barclays office account	371	10
Barclays business saver account	-	-
	40,500	421

Funds

5 The general fund excludes donations designated to ensure office administrative costs are fully covered. This means that general donations can be passed in full to Mexico. Where donations exceed requirements the trustees can, at their discretion, make use of the excess to supplement grants paid to Mexico.

	General £	Designated £	Restricted £	Total £
Balances at 1 January 2020	409	10	-	421
Incoming resources	86,830	1,655	18,668	107,154
Resources expended	(47,479)	(1,294)	(18,301)	(67,074)
Transfers	-	-	-	-
Balances at 31 December 2020	39,761	371	368	40,499