

NIGHTINGALES CHILDRENS PROJECT

England & Wales · Charity number 1047698

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 1995-07-03

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: 1) THE RELIEF OF POVERTY, SICKNESS AND DISTRESS AND TO ADVANCE EDUCATION AND INTEGRATION AMONGST CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE IN CERNAVODA AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS. 2) THE RELIEF OF POVERTY, SICKNESS AND DISTRESS AMONGST THE DISADVANTAGED FAMILIES IN CERNAVODA AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS BY THE PROVISION OF SUPPORT AND RESOURCES.

Activities: The relief of poverty, sickness and distress and to advance education and integration amongst children and young people in Cernavoda and the surrounding areas;The relief of poverty, sickness and distress amongst the disadvantaged families in Cernavoda and the surrounding areas by the provision of support and resources.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Accommodation/housing, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** CONSTANTA, ROMANIA
- Romania

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£116,259	£109,241	-	-
2024-03-31	£65,293	£49,309	-	-
2023-03-31	£42,069	£44,374	-	-
2022-03-31	£55,322	£35,707	-	-
2021-03-31	£49,584	£28,251	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
FRANK PHILLIPS	Chair	
AS Wells		2013-11-30
Chris Tonkiss		2025-05-01
Emily Tonkiss		2025-05-01
GAYNER A MORAN		2001-03-12
GAYNER MORAN		2001-03-12
Lee Anthony Moran		2016-04-16
Patrick Robert Moran		2016-04-16

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TRUSTEES REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

NIGHTINGALES CHILDRENS PROJECT

TRUSTEES REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The Trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Nightingales Childrens Project is a registered Charity, charity no 1047698. The charity's principal UK office is 2 Lily Close, Springfield, Chelmsford, Essex, CM1 6YN.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charity's Trust Deed, applicable law and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice – Accounting and Reporting by Charities (revised 2005).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Nightingales Childrens Project was established by a charitable trust deed on 27 June 1995.

The objectives of the Trust are:-

The Trustees shall hold the trust fund and its income upon trust to apply them for the following objects ("the objects") (in Romania) ("the area of benefit")

- 1 The relief of poverty sickness and distress and to advance education and integration amongst children and young people in Cernavoda and the surrounding areas;*
- 2 The relief of poverty, sickness and distress amongst the disadvantaged families in Cernavoda and the surrounding areas by the provision of support and resources.*

The trustees who served during the period were:-

LA Moran

PR Moran

F Phillips - Chairman

GA Smith

C Tonkiss

E Tonkiss

AS Wells

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Trust Deed. They meet at least annually and all decisions are reached by agreement.

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Under the terms of the Trust Deed, the Trustees have wide discretionary powers as to distributions of income and capital in pursuance of the objects of the Trust as stated above.

CERNAVODA ORPHANAGE AND CASA FERICIRII ("Home of Happiness")

Nightingales Childrens Project is the brain child of David Savage MBE, who during the 1990's, gave up his life in England to set up and run the project, which initially consisted of providing a supported volunteer network to visit the children in the Cernavoda Orphanage, giving them one to one attention, love and stimulation to enable them to develop. The Orphanage was closed during 2004/05 and the children living there were either fostered or transferred to other Orphanages within the Constanta area. Nightingales continued to provide support for these children via support for their new families and regular visits until the end of 2007.

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David Savage MBE also raised money for and built a home, Casa Fericii, (meaning "Home of Happiness"), for a group of 22 HIV positive young people (aged 10 to 11) whom it adopted from the Cernavoda Orphanage in 1998. At the time of fostering the young people were not expected to live beyond their early teens, and the aim was to provide them with a loving caring home and the necessary medication and stimulation to make their lives as happy and comfortable as possible. Over the years Casa Fericii has also opened its doors to a number of other HIV positive children that the state was unable to accommodate due to their specialist needs.

A number of the originally fostered HIV positive children have died, but as a result of the care provided by Nightingales, many are now in their early 30s and have good standards of health. Whilst some are now independent, for a handful, the years of institutionalisation prior to their move to Casa Fericii, means that they have been unable to develop fully into self sufficient adults.

Currently we have 4 young people with severe learning difficulties living in the home. We also have a further 9 young adults living in independent units in the town, working and supporting themselves and requiring only moral and social support from Nightingales. They have a full programme of activities each day, interacting with all beneficiaries of the Charity. These young people are now in their thirties and continue to need the care that Nightingales provides. They love coming to the Charity daily to help out with the cleaning and spend time there hanging out there with the other beneficiaries of the Charity.

OTHER PROJECTS

For the last 19 years, the work at Casa Fericii and the other projects detailed below, has continued under the control of Ben Wells who has overseen all day to day activities, as well as starting a number of other projects for the relief of poverty in Cernavoda which is a particularly poor area of Romania. Like David Savage, Ben has given up his life in England to care for these people and we owe a great debt of gratitude to him for this. Ben was awarded the Beacon Fellowship Prize for Young Philanthropist of the Year in 2006, a huge accolade that gave recognition to the dedication and hard work that Ben has committed to Nightingales.

Community Outreach Project

Nightingales cares as much for the local community as it does for the people we look after and has a Community Outreach Project which has been running alongside our other projects since Nightingales arrived in Cernavoda in the 1990s. We provide some of the poorest children and their families with clothes, medicines and toys as well as repairing their houses to a basic standard of living.

With a team of 10 volunteers, we also collect short life food at no cost from local supermarkets and deliver it to about 100 people in Cernavoda each month. Since starting this scheme, we have been able also to reduce our own food costs by providing our 4 differently abled adults with food too.

"DRAGONS DEN" Coffee Shop and play area – (formerly "Tereza" Community Centre)

The Coffee Shop building was funded in 2004 by a London based volunteer, Miki Jablkowska, founder of the charity "2 Wheel Appeal".

It employs 2 of the girls from our Human Trafficking Prevention Programme, providing them with valuable work experience for 2 hours each day alongside their education.

The Coffee Shop is self-sufficient and provides a welcoming space used by the whole community and an increased means of outreach and contact with the community. We run arts and crafts for the local community and a library for 1 to 12 year olds. It also offers a place where the local young people can display and sell the many items including candles, bags, skirts, jewellery and wooden furniture, they make.

Adjoining the coffee shop is a park, built by young men in the Nightingales mentoring scheme, a reading and colouring room, a water play feature, and play and seating areas.

The Centre also provides education and practical skills to help young people gain employment giving them a chance to break out of the poverty in which they currently live. It also offers an after school club for local

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children, run by volunteers, where they can receive help with their homework, and a "Stay and Play" children's play area.

Following a flood, two of the rooms at Nightingales were renovated during the year, one of which has been converted into a youth room with an air hockey table, basketball, table football, cards and a board game area. This has been very popular and, as well as providing activities for parents whilst their children are having lessons, has also seen a number of young teens join us.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION PROGRAMMES

This project was set up to combat the large number of young people in Cernavoda who are forced into prostitution or trafficked each year. Nightingales works in partnership with the Human Trafficking Foundation, two local schools and a local church to deliver various projects which provide opportunity and hope to vulnerable young people.

Trafficking Prevention for young girls

In Cernavoda, one of the biggest growth industries is the trafficking of young women to work in the sex industry in Western Europe. Nightingales works in partnership with two local schools, a local church and local authorities to deliver a number of projects which provide opportunity and hope to vulnerable young people.

- This group meets every day for sessions that incorporate one to one mentoring and discussion groups and provision of financial, academic and practical support
- Through Nightingales they run a successful social enterprise, "Light for Night" that makes candles, bags, Christmas cards and jewellery
- They learn various skills including hairdressing, cooking and make-up
- They are provided with a hot meal each day
- They have their own football team
- They coordinate programmes for younger children in Cernavoda

As well as the opportunities for serious discussion on personal subjects the girls have the chance to develop new skill sets and enjoy themselves within a supportive network. This is a pilot scheme which it is hoped will be replicated in other towns around Eastern Europe.

Academically, the girls had a great year with several passing their year groups and moving upwards in the school system. One passed from middle school to High School, the first in her family

Trafficking prevention for young men - The Football Team

The programme with the young ladies at risk lead us to recognise the need to provide a similar programme for the young men at risk of getting involved in trafficking or in drug related activities. The majority of these young men have dropped out of school without gaining their High School Certificate and consequently have been drawn into the cycle of trafficking.

In September 2012 Nightingales Childrens' Project started a 5-a-side football team in a local league, alongside which the young men worked doing small amounts of DIY at the charity. The only stipulation to being allowed to train and play is a commitment to attending and behaving at school thereby enabling them to gain their High School Certificate.

Currently Nightingales mentors over 100 young men providing them with the incentive to stay in education and to find jobs after education, so as not to get involved in the trafficking industry. These young men are from Cernavoda and Constanta; many have spent time in orphanages and care. Football continues to be a focal point. Since 2018 we have had an 11-a-side team in the Romanian 4th division where over 30 members of the

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scheme pay in our senior and junior teams. The coaches use the training sessions to teach life skills and build character and confidence through football. Each is provided with a hot meal every day. Over the last few years, the original 6 young men have been coaching some of the younger teams and running a business making and selling wooden pens and furniture made from pallets and some of the young men have also been volunteering in local prisons and schools to teach life skills through football. In 2025, one of our former players was chosen for the under 14s National side.

Outward Bound Centre

During the year, we sold the land in Corbu previously purchased for use as a Holiday Home and, with the proceeds, purchased some land in Rasova which is now being developed as an Outward Bound Centre which can be used both internally as an activity holiday centre and let externally to the public, thereby generating funds.

It is hoped that the Centre, which will ultimately include numerous activities as well as a community coffee shop, a playground a campsite and cabins, will open for paying guests in summer 2026.

SPONSORSHIP

Nightingales has a number of different sponsorship programmes where everyone can get involved in the fight against trafficking by supporting one of our projects. Please visit our website at www.nightingaleschildrensproject.co.uk for full details.

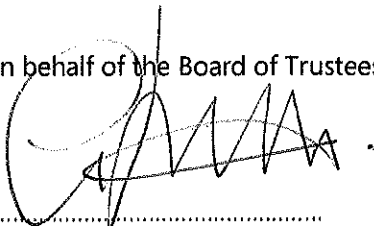
FINANCIAL REVIEW AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Nightingales' aim is to keep its expenditure funded by donations to approximately £30,000 per annum and to have at least 3 years of reserves to ensure that it can continue to care for the individuals at Casa Fericii and continue all other projects into the foreseeable future.

As a consequence of several long term partnership alliances and funding campaigns, as well as cost cutting exercises, the results for the year ended 31 March 2025 were considered satisfactory. There was a surplus of income over expenditure of £42,835 (2024: £15,986). Unrestricted reserves totalled £173,386 at 31 March 2025 (2024: £126,383), which included cash of £158,255 (2024: £109,602), leaving us well placed to fund our various projects over the coming years.

The Trustees send their heartfelt thanks to everyone who has supported us throughout the year, particularly our regular donors who give monthly to us and Dauntseys School who, not only raise significant sums for us but also, but provide practical assistance in their annual visits to Romania. Without your help, our work cannot continue as we are reliant on donations and, every penny really is most gratefully received and put to good use.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees



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G Smith (Treasurer)

29th January 2026

NIGHTINGALES CHILDREN'S PROJECT

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	As at 31 March 2025		As at 31 March 2024		TOTAL
		General Funds	Restricted Funds	General Funds	Restricted Funds	
		£	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS IN ROMANIA						
Donated freehold property	1.6.2	100	-	100	-	100
Sports Hall/Community Centre	6.1	532	529	1,432	1,436	2,868
Holiday Home	6.2	14,500	-	14,500	-	14,500
		<u>15,132</u>	<u>529</u>	<u>16,032</u>	<u>1,436</u>	<u>17,468</u>
CURRENT ASSETS						
Sundry debtors		-	-	-	-	-
Bank balances		62,327	2,142	15,005	6,152	21,157
- Current accounts		95,928	-	94,597	-	94,597
- Deposit accounts		158,256	2,142	109,602	6,152	115,754
		<u>173,387</u>	<u>2,671</u>	<u>125,634</u>	<u>7,588</u>	<u>133,222</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS		<u>173,387</u>	<u>2,671</u>	<u>125,634</u>	<u>7,588</u>	<u>133,222</u>
INCOME FUNDS						
Unrestricted funds						126,384
Restricted funds						6,838
Reserves carried forward 31 March 2025						<u>133,222</u>

Approved on behalf of the Board of Trustees

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G Smith - Treasurer

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	NOTES	Year ended 31 March 2025		Year ended 31 March 2024		TOTAL	TOTAL		
		Restricted Funds		Restricted Funds				General Funds	General Funds
		£	£	£	£				
INCOMING RESOURCES FROM GENERATED FUNDS									
Donations and legacies									
- Regular income		8,339	120	8,459	8,739	360	8,499		
- Donations via website (Paypal)		-	-	-	44	-	44		
- For specific projects	3.1	-	786	786	-	710	710		
- From Fund Aid campaign		29,850	-	29,850	28,550	-	28,550		
- General other	3.2	34,937	-	34,937	26,404	-	26,404		
		<u>73,126</u>	<u>906</u>	<u>74,032</u>	<u>63,137</u>	<u>1,070</u>	<u>64,207</u>		
Activities for generating funds	4	-	-	-	29	-	29		
Investment income									
Interest received on deposit account		1,331	-	1,331	1,058	-	1,058		
Other income									
Tax refund on donations given under gift aid in previous years		8,318	-	8,318	-	-	-		
Total incoming resources		<u>82,775</u>	<u>906</u>	<u>83,681</u>	<u>64,224</u>	<u>1,070</u>	<u>65,294</u>		
RESOURCES EXPENDED									
Charitable activities									
Funds to Romania	5.2	26,594	3,406	30,000	38,180	1,820	40,000		
Goods to Romania		90	-	90	120	-	120		
Bank charges (net of refunds) on transfers to Romania		6,017	-	6,017	7,237	-	7,237		
Fund Aid Campaign		900	907	1,807	900	907	1,807		
Depreciation on fixed assets in Romania	6.1	-	-	-	-	-	-		
- Sports Hall and Community Centre Project		-	-	-	-	-	-		
Total charitable expenditure		<u>(33,601)</u>	<u>(4,313)</u>	<u>(37,914)</u>	<u>(46,437)</u>	<u>(2,727)</u>	<u>(49,164)</u>		
Governance costs									
Just Giving - monthly fee		-	-	-	144	-	144		
National Insurance contributions for UK volunteer in Romania		2,932	2,932	2,932	-	-	-		
Computer, stamps, stationery		-	-	-	-	-	-		
		<u>(2,932)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,932)</u>	<u>(144)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(144)</u>		
Total resources expended		<u>(36,533)</u>	<u>(4,313)</u>	<u>(40,846)</u>	<u>(46,581)</u>	<u>(2,727)</u>	<u>(49,308)</u>		
Net movement in funds		46,242	(3,407)	42,835	17,843	(1,657)	15,986		
Fund balances at 1 April 2024		126,384	6,838	133,222	108,741	8,495	117,236		
Transfers between funds and reallocations		760	(760)	-	-	-	-		
Fund balances at 31 March 2025		<u>173,386</u>	<u>2,671</u>	<u>176,057</u>	<u>126,584</u>	<u>6,838</u>	<u>133,222</u>		

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 and comply with the Charity's Trust Deed, applicable law and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice - Account and reporting by charities (revised 2005).

1.2 INCOMING RESOURCES

Donations and income from fundraising events are accounted for on the receipts and payments basis.

Tax reclaimable on donations received under gift aid is accounted for on the receipts and payments basis.

1.3 DONATED ASSETS

Donated assets are capitalised in the Balance Sheet at their estimated market value when received, with the corresponding entry being included in the Statement of Financial Activities as a donation, except for the following assets which were donated in prior years:-

"Casa Fericii" building - owned by Townhall but leased to Nightingales free of charge

"Tereza Sala de Sport" - (aka Sports Hall/Community Centre) - land owned by Townhall but leased to Nightingales free of charge

Str Panait Cernavoda - Bloc E12 Apartment 9 - "Volunteers Apartment" - freehold registered in name of Nightingales

The following properties are registered in the name of D Savage and/or his wife Elena but are used free of charge by Nightingales:-

Str Panait Cernavoda - Bloc E10, Apartment 9 - "Jane's Apartment"

Str. Horia nr 20, Cernavoda - "Gloarsa's House"

Com. Rasova, intre Draghici Lufian and Curaion Gheorghe - "Rasova"

1.4 COSTS RE CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

All costs re charitable activities are accounted for on the receipts and payments basis.

1.5 GOVERNANCE COSTS

Governance costs are accounted for on an accruals basis

1.6 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS AND DEPRECIATION

1.6.1 Tangible fixed assets purchased are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its estimated useful life at the following rates:-

Sports Hall and Community Project/Day Centre	- 5% per annum straight line commencing 1.8.05
Gym equipment for Sports Hall	- 20% per annum straight line commencing 1.8.05
Motor Vehicles	- 25% per annum straight line
Land	- nil

1.6.2 The donated freehold property held in the Charity's name - Str Panait Cernavoda - Bloc E12 Apartment 9 known as the "Volunteers Apartment" is stated in the accounts at a nominal amount of £100 with no depreciation being charged

1.7 EMPLOYEES

There are no UK based employees. All UK based participators provide their services to the Charity on a voluntary basis. None of the UK based trustees receive any remuneration for their services.

Where funds allow, National Insurance contributions are paid to HM Revenue & Customs to secure pension entitlements for UK persons working long term in Romania.

1.8 SUPPORT FOR UKRAINIAN REFUGEES

Since the start of the war in Ukraine, Nightingales has housed a number of Ukrainian refugees. Their living costs have been paid for by a combination of funds they have paid in themselves, from support they have received from the authorities, as well as specific donations made to them.

All income and expenditure relating to the Ukrainian refugees is segregated in the Romanian accounts and shown as a restricted fund.

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2 RESTRICTED FUNDS

Goods and funds donated for a specific purpose are designated as Restricted Funds in Nightingales' accounts, and are used solely in accordance with the donor's wishes.

	Y/e 31.3.25 £	Y/e 31.3.24 £
3 DONATIONS AND LEGACIES		
3.1 Donations - Specific includes amounts received from the following:-		
K&A Bianca re Jayda	120	120
St George's Church Fatfield - Independent Living	666	590
Ukraine	-	-
TOTAL FOR PERIOD PER STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	<u><u>786</u></u>	<u><u>710</u></u>
3.2 General - other donations comprise		
Josh Hayles	2,225	1,800
Dauntseys School	22,642	20,577
C3 Hope Sheffield	1,750	1,506
Rickard Luckin Limited	1,000	-
Connected Life	2,400	2,400
	<u>30,017</u>	<u>26,283</u>
Donations under £250 each	4,920	121
TOTAL FOR PERIOD PER STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	<u><u>34,937</u></u>	<u><u>26,404</u></u>
4 ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS		
Fundraising		
Just Giving	-	29
Virgin Money Giving	-	-
TOTAL FOR PERIOD PER STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>29</u></u>

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	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
5 FUNDS TO ROMANIA			
5.1 SUMMARY OF MOVEMENT			
Romanian bank and cash balances brought forward 1 April 2024		7,929	3,042
Exchange differences on opening bank balance		3	(97)
Funds sent from Nightingales UK	5.2	30,137	39,336
Sundry other income including sponsorship, donations, governmental refunds and loan repayments	5.3	32,578	36,009
		<u>70,647</u>	<u>78,290</u>
Ukrainian refugee support covered by donations	5.4	(406)	(971)
Less expenditure in Romania	5.5	(68,395)	(69,390)
Romanian bank balances carried forward 31 March 2025		<u>1,846</u>	<u>7,929</u>
5.2 FUNDS SENT FROM NIGHTINGALES UK			
Funds to Romania - General running costs	Per SOFA	26,594	38,180
Funds to Romania - for specific items	Per SOFA	3,406	1,820
Exchange differences		137	(664)
	5.1	<u>30,137</u>	<u>39,336</u>
5.3 Sundry other income including sponsorship, donations, governmental refunds and loan repayments, comprises:-			
Loans repaid		508	520
Donations		2,385	2,221
Reallocation of ODM income for Ukrainians in previous year		-	-
Living costs reimbursed from independent adults		372	416
Money from the State for food		6,099	6,285
Proceeds from sale of car		-	2,419
Money from the State for child allowance		23,214	23,713
Heating pellets		-	434
	5.1	<u>32,578</u>	<u>36,008</u>
5.4 Restricted income and expenditure relating to support of Ukrainian refugees and held in Romania	1.8		
Income from ODM		-	-
Reallocation of ODM income from previous year		-	-
Expenditure		(406)	(971)
		<u>(406)</u>	<u>(971)</u>

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5 FUNDS TO ROMANIA (Continued)

Funds sent to Romania during the period were applied as follows:-

	Notes	2025		2024	
		£	£	£	£
5.5.1 Expenditure at Casa Fericiril					
Light, heat, power and utilities, phone, etc		3,900		6,504	
Celebrations - festivals and birthdays, etc		734		485	
Clothes		360		358	
Construction/building maintenance		1,763		2,083	
Excursions including camping		1,326		3,384	
Food and cleaning		5,774		8,634	
Fuel/diesel and other vehicle expenses		2,561		5,029	
Loan to Coffee Shop		1,649		520	
Medication		391		369	
Other payments (inc petty cash expenses)		1,242		1,593	
Salaries	5.5	28,027		24,451	
Salary taxes and related costs		9,701		7,717	
A Steen Project		4,266		4,040	
Apartment costs		2,926		785	
Volunteer costs		2,694		2,337	
			67,315		68,289
5.5.2 Expenditure at Community Centre/Coffee Shop					
Alarm system			-		361
5.5.3 Other costs					
Literacy Project (restricted fund)			855		496
Nightingales Library			-		-
Bank commission			226		244
Total expenditure in year		5.1	68,395		69,390

Volunteers' living expenses

Volunteers helping out in Romania are required to fund their flight costs and living expenses.

Volunteer costs included above are more than fully covered by donations received from the volunteers.

5.5 SALARIES

Salaries comprise amounts paid to Romanian locals employed by the Charity to assist with the various projects and day to day operations. Rates of pay are consistent with those in the Romanian economy generally.

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6	FIXED ASSETS	General £	Restricted £	Total £
6.1	<u>SPORTS HALL AND COMMUNITY CENTRE PROJECT</u>			
	COST			
	Brought forward 1 April 2024	18,007	18,140	36,147
	Additions	-	-	-
	Carried forward 31 March 2025	<u>18,007</u>	<u>18,140</u>	<u>36,147</u>
	DEPRECIATION			
	Brought forward 1 April 2024	16,575	16,704	33,279
	Charge for period	900	907	1,807
	Carried forward 31 March 2025	<u>17,475</u>	<u>17,611</u>	<u>35,086</u>
	NET BOOK VALUE 31 MARCH 2025	<u>532</u>	<u>529</u>	<u>1,061</u>
	NET BOOK VALUE 31 MARCH 2024	<u>1,432</u>	<u>1,436</u>	<u>2,868</u>
6.4	<u>HOLIDAY HOME</u>			
	COST AND NET BOOK VALUE B/F 1 APRIL 2024	14,500		14,500
	Additions	14,500		14,500
	Disposals	(14,500)		(14,500)
	AND 31 MARCH 2025	<u>14,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,500</u>

The original Holiday Home in Corbu was sold during the year for its original cost and the money reinvested into land in Rasova, the seller of which agreed to accept a price equal to the sales value of the Corbu land. The Rasova land is more suited to Nightingales current needs and has more potential for generating external income as well as being used by us and is currently being developed into an Outward Bound Centre.

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
NIGHTINGALES CHILDRENS' PROJECT**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Nightingales Childrens' Project (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on pages 5 to 11.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

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

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Basis of independent examiner's report

I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of ICAEW, which is one of the bodies listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act.

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the financial statements present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and confirm that no matters have come to my attention which give me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
- the financial statements do not accord with the accounting records; or
- the financial statement do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have not come across any matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

This report is made solely to the Charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's trustees those matters which I am required to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's Trustees as a body, for my work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.


.....
J Woodcock FCA

..... 29th January 2026
Date

NIGHTINGALES CHILDRENS PROJECT

England & Wales - Charity number 1047698

Accounts

NIGHTINGALES CHILDREN'S PROJECT
(www.nightingaleschildrensproject.co.uk)

Registered charity number 1047698

TRUSTEES REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

NIGHTINGALES CHILDRENS PROJECT

TRUSTEES REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

The Trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Nightingales Childrens Project is a registered Charity, charity no 1047698. The charity's principal UK office is 2 Lily Close, Springfield, Chelmsford, Essex, CM1 6YN.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charity's Trust Deed, applicable law and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice – Accounting and Reporting by Charities (revised 2005).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Nightingales Childrens Project was established by a charitable trust deed on 27 June 1995.

The objectives of the Trust are:-

The Trustees shall hold the trust fund and its income upon trust to apply them for the following objects ("the objects") (in Romania) ("the area of benefit")

- 1 The relief of poverty sickness and distress and to advance education and integration amongst children and young people in Cernavoda and the surrounding areas;*
- 2 The relief of poverty, sickness and distress amongst the disadvantaged families in Cernavoda and the surrounding areas by the provision of support and resources.*

The trustees who served during the period were:-

LA Moran
PR Moran
F Phillips - Chairman
GA Smith
AS Wells

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Trust Deed. They meet at least annually and all decisions are reached by agreement.

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Under the terms of the Trust Deed, the Trustees have wide discretionary powers as to distributions of income and capital in pursuance of the objects of the Trust as stated above.

CERNAVODA ORPHANAGE AND CASA FERICIRII ("Home of Happiness")

Nightingales Childrens Project is the brain child of David Savage MBE, who during the 1990's, gave up his life in England to set up and run the project, which initially consisted of providing a supported volunteer network to visit the children in the Cernavoda Orphanage, giving them one to one attention, love and stimulation to enable them to develop. The Orphanage was closed during 2004/05 and the children living there were either fostered

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or transferred to other Orphanages within the Constanta area. Nightingales continued to provide support for these children via support for their new families and regular visits until the end of 2007.

David Savage MBE also raised money for and built a home, Casa Fericirii, (meaning "Home of Happiness"), for a group of 22 HIV positive young people (aged 10 to 11) whom it adopted from the Cernavoda Orphanage in 1998. At the time of fostering the young people were not expected to live beyond their early teens, and the aim was to provide them with a loving caring home and the necessary medication and stimulation to make their lives as happy and comfortable as possible. Over the years Casa Fericirii has also opened its doors to a number of other HIV positive children that the state was unable to accommodate due to their specialist needs.

A number of the originally fostered HIV positive children have died, but as a result of the care provided by Nightingales, many are now in their early 30s and have good standards of health. Whilst some are now independent, for a handful, the years of institutionalisation prior to their move to Casa Fericirii, means that they have been unable to develop fully into self sufficient adults.

Currently we have 3 young people with severe learning difficulties living in the home. We also have a further 9 young adults living in independent units in the town, working and supporting themselves and requiring only moral and social support from Nightingales. They have a full programme of activities each day, interacting with all beneficiaries of the Charity. These young people are now in their thirties and continue to need the care that Nightingales provides. They love coming to the Charity daily to help out with the cleaning and spend time there hanging out there with the other beneficiaries of the Charity.

OTHER PROJECTS

For the last 18 years, the work at Casa Fericirii and the other projects detailed below, has continued under the control of Ben Wells who has overseen all day to day activities, as well as starting a number of other projects for the relief of poverty in Cernavoda which is a particularly poor area of Romania. Like David Savage, Ben has given up his life in England to care for these people and we owe a great debt of gratitude to him for this. Ben was awarded the Beacon Fellowship Prize for Young Philanthropist of the Year in 2006, a huge accolade that gave recognition to the dedication and hard work that Ben has committed to Nightingales.

Community Outreach Project

Nightingales cares as much for the local community as it does for the people we look after and has a Community Outreach Project which has been running alongside our other projects since Nightingales arrived in Cernavoda in the 1990s. We provide some of the poorest children and their families with clothes, medicines and toys as well as repairing their houses to a basic standard of living.

"DRAGONS DEN" Coffee Shop and play area – (formerly "Tereza" Community Centre)

The Coffee Shop building was funded in 2004 by a London based volunteer, Miki Jablkowska, founder of the charity "2 Wheel Appeal".

It employs 6 of the girls from our Human Trafficking Prevention Programme and one of our special needs adults, providing them with valuable work experience for 2 hours each day alongside their education.

The Coffee Shop is self-sufficient and provides a welcoming space used by the whole community and an increased means of outreach and contact with the community. We run arts and crafts for the local community

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and a library for 1 to 12 year olds. It also offers a place where the local young people can display and sell the many items including candles, bags, skirts, jewellery and wooden furniture, they make.

Adjoining the coffee shop is a park, built by young men in the Nightingales mentoring scheme, a reading and colouring room, a water play feature, and play and seating areas.

The Centre also provides education and practical skills to help young people gain employment giving them a chance to break out of the poverty in which they currently live and offers gymnasium facilities, and classes in boxing, weightlifting, dancing and football, which enable the locals to participate in sports related activities at an affordable price. It also offers an after school club for local children, run by volunteers, where they can receive help with their homework, and a "Stay and Play" children's' play area.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION PROGRAMMES

This project was set up to combat the large number of young people in Cernavoda who are forced into prostitution or trafficked each year. Nightingales works in partnership with the Human Trafficking Foundation, two local schools and a local church to deliver various projects which provide opportunity and hope to vulnerable young people.

Trafficking Prevention for young girls

In Cernavoda, one of the biggest growth industries is the trafficking of young women to work in the sex industry in Western Europe. Nightingales works in partnership with two local schools, a local church and local authorities to deliver a number of projects which provide opportunity and hope to vulnerable young people.

- This group meets every day for sessions that incorporate one to one mentoring and discussion groups and provision of financial, academic and practical support
- Through Nightingales they run a successful social enterprise, "Light for Night" that makes candles, bags, Christmas cards and jewellery
- They learn various skills including hairdressing, cooking and make-up
- They are provided with a hot meal each day
- They have their own football team
- They coordinate programmes for younger children in Cernavoda

As well as the opportunities for serious discussion on personal subjects the girls have the chance to develop new skill sets and enjoy themselves within a supportive network. This is a pilot scheme which it is hoped will be replicated in other towns around Eastern Europe.

Trafficking prevention for young men - The Football Team

The programme with the young ladies at risk lead us to recognise the need to provide a similar programme for the young men at risk of getting involved in trafficking or in drug related activities. The majority of these young men have dropped out of school without gaining their High School Certificate and consequently have been drawn into the cycle of trafficking.

In September 2012 Nightingales Childrens' Project started a 5-a-side football team in a local league, alongside which the young men worked doing small amounts of DIY at the charity. The only stipulation to being allowed to train and play is a commitment to attending and behaving at school thereby enabling them to gain their High School Certificate.

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Currently Nightingales mentors over 100 young men providing them with the incentive to stay in education and to find jobs after education, so as not to get involved in the trafficking industry. These young men are from Cernavoda and Constanta; many have spent time in orphanages and care. Football continues to be a focal point. Since 2018 we have had an 11-a-side team in the Romanian 4th division where over 30 members of the scheme pay in our senior and junior teams. The coaches use the training sessions to teach life skills and build character and confidence through football. Each is provided with a hot meal every day.

Over the last few years, the original 6 young men have started coaching some of the younger teams and running a business making and selling wooden pens and furniture made from pallets and some of the young men have also been volunteering in local prisons and schools to teach life skills through football.

In 2017, we had a representative for the Romanian national team at the Homeless World Cup in Oslo, Norway.

SPONSORSHIP

Nightingales has a number of different sponsorship programmes where everyone can get involved in the fight against trafficking by supporting one of our projects. Please visit our website at www.nightingaleschildrensproject.co.uk for full details.

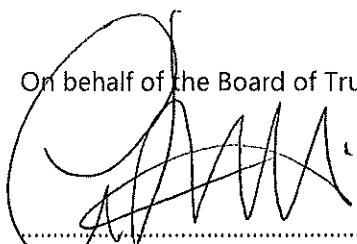
FINANCIAL REVIEW AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Nightingales' aim is to keep its expenditure funded by donations to approximately £30,000 per annum and to have at least 3 years of reserves to ensure that it can continue to care for the individuals at Casa Fericii and continue all other projects into the foreseeable future. As with the rest of the world, 2024 saw the impact of rising prices and this, alongside an issue with our transport vehicle, meant we exceeded the targeted expenditure levels by £10,000 this year.

However, as a whole, the results for the year ended 31 March 2024 were considered satisfactory. There was a surplus of income over expenditure of £15,985 (2023: surplus of expenditure over income of £2,306) due to an increase in donations received from funding campaigns, and in particular to a large one off donation from the Carla Trust on their closure, as well as £20,000 raised by Dauntseys School. Unrestricted reserves totalled £126,383 at 31 March 2024 (2023: £108,741), which included cash of £110,352 (2023: £91,809).

The Trustees send their heartfelt thanks to everyone who has supported us throughout the year, particularly our regular donors who give monthly to us and Dauntseys School who, not only raise significant sums for us but also, but provide practical assistance in their annual visits to Romania. Without your help, our work cannot continue as we are reliant on donations and, every penny really is most gratefully received and put to good use.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees

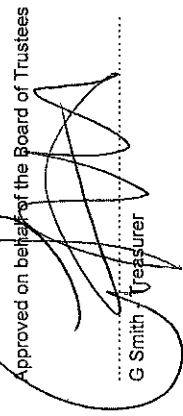


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G Smith (Treasurer)

12th January 2025

NIGHTINGALES CHILDREN'S PROJECT
 DRAFT BALANCE SHEET
 AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

Notes	As at 31 March 2024		As at 31 March 2023		TOTAL
	General Funds	Restricted Funds	General Funds	Restricted Funds	
	£	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS IN ROMANIA					
Donated freehold property	100	-	100	-	100
Sports Hall/Community Centre	1,432	1,436	2,332	2,343	4,675
Holiday Home	14,500	-	14,500	-	14,500
	<u>16,032</u>	<u>1,436</u>	<u>16,932</u>	<u>2,343</u>	<u>19,275</u>
CURRENT ASSETS					
Sundry debtors	-	-	-	-	-
Bank balances	15,755	5,402	41,281	6,152	47,433
- Current accounts	94,597	-	50,528	-	50,528
- Reserve accounts	110,352	5,402	91,809	6,152	97,961
	<u>126,383</u>	<u>6,838</u>	<u>108,741</u>	<u>8,495</u>	<u>117,236</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS					
	<u>126,383</u>	<u>6,838</u>	<u>108,741</u>	<u>8,495</u>	<u>117,236</u>
INCOME FUNDS					
Unrestricted funds					108,741
Restricted funds					8,495
Reserves carried forward 31 March 2024					<u>117,236</u>

Approved on behalf of the Board of Trustees

 G. Smith, Treasurer

12 January 2025

NIGHTINGALES CHILDRENS' PROJECT
DRAFT STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	NOTES	Year ended 31 March 2024		Year ended 31 March 2023		TOTAL	TOTAL		
		General Funds	Restricted Funds	General Funds	Restricted Funds			General Funds	Restricted Funds
		£	£	£	£			£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES FROM GENERATED FUNDS									
Donations and legacies									
- Regular income		8,139	360	8,499	10,259	10,259	10,259		
- Donations via website (Paypal)		44	-	44	1	1	1		
- For specific projects	3.1	-	710	710	-	1,460	1,460		
- From Fund Aid campaign		28,550	-	28,550	16,250	16,250	16,250		
- General other	3.2	26,404	-	26,404	10,061	10,061	10,061		
		63,136	1,070	64,206	36,571	1,460	38,031		
Activities for generating funds	4	29	-	29	3,818	-	3,818		
Investment income									
Interest received on deposit account		1,058	-	1,058	220	-	220		
Other income									
Tax refund on donations given under gift aid		-	-	-	-	-	-		
Total incoming resources		64,223	1,070	65,293	40,609	1,460	42,069		
RESOURCES EXPENDED									
Charitable activities									
Funds to Romania	5.2	38,180	1,820	40,000	29,880	120	30,000		
Goods to Romania		-	-	-	-	-	-		
Bank charges (net of refunds) on transfers to Romania		120	120	240	90	90	90		
Fund Aid Campaign		7,237	-	7,237	6,261	-	6,261		
Depreciation on fixed assets in Romania		-	-	-	-	-	-		
- Sports Hall and Community Centre Project	6.1	900	907	1,807	900	907	1,807		
Total charitable expenditure		(46,438)	(2,727)	(49,165)	(37,131)	(1,027)	(38,158)		
Governance costs									
Just Giving - monthly fee		144	-	144	216	-	216		
National Insurance contributions for UK volunteer in Romania		-	-	-	6,000	-	6,000		
Computer, stamps, stationery		-	-	-	-	-	-		
		(144)	-	(144)	(6,216)	-	(6,216)		
Total resources expended		(46,582)	(2,727)	(49,309)	(43,347)	(1,027)	(44,374)		
Net movement in funds		17,642	(1,657)	15,985	(2,739)	433	(2,306)		
Fund balances at 1 April 2023		108,741	8,495	117,236	111,480	8,062	119,542		
Transfers between funds and reallocations		-	-	-	-	-	-		
Fund balances at 31 March 2024		126,383	6,838	133,221	108,741	8,495	117,236		

NIGHTINGALES CHILDREN'S PROJECT

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 and comply with the Charity's Trust Deed, applicable law and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice - Account and reporting by charities (revised 2005).

1.2 INCOMING RESOURCES

Donations and income from fundraising events are accounted for on the receipts and payments basis.

Tax reclaimable on donations received under gift aid is accounted for on the receipts and payments basis.

1.3 DONATED ASSETS

Donated assets are capitalised in the Balance Sheet at their estimated market value when received, with the corresponding entry being included in the Statement of Financial Activities as a donation, except for the following assets which were donated in prior years:-

"Casa Fericiiri" building - owned by Townhall but leased to Nightingales free of charge

"Tereza Sala de Sport" - (aka Sports Hall/Community Centre) - land owned by Townhall but leased to Nightingales free of charge

Str Panait Cernavoda - Bloc E12 Apartment 9 - "Volunteers Apartment" - freehold registered in name of Nightingales

The following properties are registered in the name of D Savage and/or his wife Elena but are used free of charge by Nightingales:-

Str Panait Cernavoda - Bloc E10, Apartment 9 - "Jane's Apartment"

Str .Horia nr 20, Cernavoda - "Gloarsa's House"

Com. Rasova, intre Draghici Lulian and Curaion Gheorghe - "Rasova"

1.4 COSTS RE CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

All costs re charitable activities are accounted for on the receipts and payments basis.

1.5 GOVERNANCE COSTS

Governance costs are accounted for on an accruals basis

1.6 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS AND DEPRECIATION

1.6.1 Tangible fixed assets purchased are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its estimated useful life at the following rates:-

Sports Hall and Community Project/Day Centre	- 5% per annum straight line commencing 1.8.05
Gym equipment for Sports Hall	- 20% per annum straight line commencing 1.8.05
Motor Vehicles	- 25% per annum straight line
Land	- nil

1.6.2 The donated freehold property held in the Charity's name - Str Panait Cernavoda - Bloc E12 Apartment 9 known as the "Volunteers Apartment" is stated in the accounts at a nominal amount of £100 with no depreciation being charged

1.7 EMPLOYEES

There are no UK based employees. All UK based participators provide their services to the Charity on a voluntary basis. None of the UK based trustees receive any remuneration for their services.

Where funds allow, National insurance contributions are paid to HM Revenue & Customs to secure pension entitlements for UK persons working long term in Romania.

1.8 SUPPORT FOR UKRAINIAN REFUGEES

Since the start of the war in Ukraine, Nightingales has housed a number of Ukrainian refugees. Their living costs have been paid for by a combination of funds they have paid in themselves, from support they have received from the authorities, as well as specific donations.

All income and expenditure relating to the Ukrainian refugees is segregated in the Romanian accounts and shown as a restricted fund.

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2 RESTRICTED FUNDS

Goods and funds donated for a specific purpose are designated as Restricted Funds in Nightingales' accounts, and are used solely in accordance with the donor's wishes.

	Y/e 31.3.24 £	Y/e 31.3.23 £
3 DONATIONS AND LEGACIES		
3.1 Donations - Specific includes amounts received from the following:-		
K&A Bianca re Jayda	120	120
St George's Church Fatfield - Independent Living	590	590
Ukraine	-	750
TOTAL FOR PERIOD PER STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	710	1,460
3.2 General - other donations comprise		
Josh Hayles	1,800	1,800
Dauntseys School	20,577	6,063
C3 Hope Sheffield	1,506	1,044
Kingsley Napley	-	1,000
Connected Life	2,400	-
	26,283	9,907
Donations under £250 each	121	154
TOTAL FOR PERIOD PER STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	26,404	10,061
4 ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS		
Fundraising		
Just Giving	29	3,818
Virgin Money Giving	-	-
TOTAL FOR PERIOD PER STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	29	3,818

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	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
5 FUNDS TO ROMANIA			
5.1 SUMMARY OF MOVEMENT			
Romanian bank and cash balances brought forward 1 April 2023		3,042	4,498
Exchange differences on opening bank balance		(97)	-
Funds sent from Nightingales UK	5.2	39,336	29,240
Sundry other income including sponsorship, donations, governmental refunds and loan repayments	5.3	36,009	26,918
Less expenditure in Romania	5.4	(69,390)	(60,070)
Add income less expenditure re Ukrainian refugee support		(971)	2,456
Romanian bank and balances carried forward 31 March 2024		<u>7,929</u>	<u>3,042</u>
5.2 FUNDS SENT FROM NIGHTINGALES UK			
Funds to Romania - General running costs	Per SOFA	38,180	29,880
Funds to Romania - for specific items	Per SOFA	1,820	120
Exchange differences		(664)	(760)
	5.1	<u>39,336</u>	<u>29,240</u>
5.3 Sundry other income including sponsorship, donations, governmental refunds and loan repayments, comprises:-			
Loans repaid		520	-
Donations		2,221	8,431
Reallocation of ODM income for Ukrainians in previous year		-	(6,000)
Living costs reimbursed from independent adults		416	1,149
Money from the State for food		6,285	3,016
Proceeds from sale of car		2,419	-
Money from the State for child allowance		23,713	19,451
Heating pellets		434	871
	5.1	<u>36,009</u>	<u>26,918</u>
5.4 Restricted income and expenditure relating to support of Ukrainian refugees and held in Romania			
Income from ODM	1.8	-	9,264
Reallocation of ODM income from previous year		-	6,000
Expenditure		(971)	(12,808)
		<u>(971)</u>	<u>2,456</u>

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

5 FUNDS TO ROMANIA (Continued)

Funds sent to Romania during the period were applied as follows:-

	Notes	2024		2023	
		£	£	£	£
5.4.1 Expenditure at Casa Fericiarii					
Light, heat, power and utilities, phone, etc		6,504		9,441	
Celebrations - festivals and birthdays, etc		485		366	
Clothes		358		50	
Construction/building maintenance		2,083		1,739	
Excursions including camping		3,384		334	
Food and cleaning		8,634		8,693	
Fuel/diesel and other vehicle expenses		5,029		1,741	
Loan to Coffee Shop		520		-	
Medication		369		557	
Other payments (inc petty cash expenses)		1,593		833	
Salaries	5.5	24,451		19,948	
Salary taxes and related costs		7,717		7,734	
A Steen Project		4,040		5,437	
Apartment costs		785		1,708	
Volunteer costs		2,337		468	
			68,290		59,049
5.4.2 Expenditure at Community Centre/Coffee Shop					
Alarm system			361		395
5.4.3 Other costs					
Literacy Project (restricted fund)			496		395
Nightingales Library			-		21
Bank commission			244		210
Total expenditure in year		5.1	<u>69,390</u>		<u>60,070</u>

Volunteers' living expenses

Volunteers helping out in Romania are required to fund their flight costs and living expenses. Volunteer costs included above are more than fully covered by donations received from the volunteers.

5.5 SALARIES

Salaries comprise amounts paid to Romanian locals employed by the Charity to assist with the various projects and day to day operations. Rates of pay are consistent with those in the Romanian economy generally.

NIGHTINGALES CHILDREN'S PROJECT

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6	FIXED ASSETS	General £	Restricted £	Total £
6.1	<u>SPORTS HALL AND COMMUNITY CENTRE PROJECT</u>			
	COST			
	Brought forward 1 April 2023	18,007	18,140	36,147
	Additions	-	-	-
	Carried forward 31 March 2024	<u>18,007</u>	<u>18,140</u>	<u>36,147</u>
	DEPRECIATION			
	Brought forward 1 April 2023	15,675	15,797	31,472
	Charge for period	900	907	1,807
	Carried forward 31 March 2024	<u>16,575</u>	<u>16,704</u>	<u>33,279</u>
	NET BOOK VALUE 31 MARCH 2024	<u>1,432</u>	<u>1,436</u>	<u>2,868</u>
	NET BOOK VALUE 31 MARCH 2023	<u>2,332</u>	<u>2,343</u>	<u>4,675</u>
6.4	<u>HOLIDAY HOME</u>			
	COST AND NET BOOK VALUE 1 APRIL 2022 AND 31 MARCH 2023	<u>14,500</u>	-	<u>14,500</u>
	The Holiday Home was sold on XXXX			

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
NIGHTINGALES CHILDRENS' PROJECT**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Nightingales Childrens' Project (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2024, which are set out on pages 5 to 11.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

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

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Basis of independent examiner's report

I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of ICAEW, which is one of the bodies listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act.

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the financial statements present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

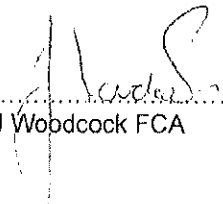
Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and confirm that no matters have come to my attention which give me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
- the financial statements do not accord with the accounting records; or
- the financial statement do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have not come across any matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

This report is made solely to the Charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's trustees those matters which I am required to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's Trustees as a body, for my work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.


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J Woodcock FCA

14 January 2025
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Date

NIGHTINGALES CHILDRENS PROJECT

England & Wales - Charity number 1047698

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NIGHTINGALES CHILDREN'S PROJECT
(www.nightingaleschildrensproject.co.uk)

Registered charity number 1047698

TRUSTEES REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

NIGHTINGALES CHILDRENS PROJECT

TRUSTEES REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The Trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Nightingales Childrens Project is a registered Charity, charity no 1047698. The charity's principal office is First Floor, County House, 100, New London Road, Chelmsford, Essex, CM2 0RG.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charity's Trust Deed, applicable law and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice – Accounting and Reporting by Charities (revised 2005).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Nightingales Childrens Project was established by a charitable trust deed on 27 June 1995.

The objectives of the Trust are:-

The Trustees shall hold the trust fund and its income upon trust to apply them for the following objects ("the objects") (in Romania) ("the area of benefit")

- 1 The relief of poverty sickness and distress and to advance education and integration amongst children and young people in Cernavoda and the surrounding areas;*
- 2 The relief of poverty, sickness and distress amongst the disadvantaged families in Cernavoda and the surrounding areas by the provision of support and resources.*

The trustees who served during the period were:-

LA Moran
PR Moran
F Phillips - Chairman
GA Smith
AS Wells

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Trust Deed. They meet at least annually and all decisions are reached by agreement.

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Under the terms of the Trust Deed, the Trustees have wide discretionary powers as to distributions of income and capital in pursuance of the objects of the Trust as stated above.

CERNAVODA ORPHANAGE AND CASA FERICIRII ("Home of Happiness")

Nightingales Childrens Project is the brain child of David Savage MBE, who during the 1990's, gave up his life in England to set up and run the project, which initially consisted of providing a supported volunteer network to visit the children in the Cernavoda Orphanage, giving them one to one attention, love and stimulation to enable them to develop. The Orphanage was closed during 2004/05 and the children living there were either fostered

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or transferred to other Orphanages within the Constanta area. Nightingales continued to provide support for these children via support for their new families and regular visits until the end of 2007.

David Savage MBE also raised money for and built a home, Casa Fericii, (meaning "Home of Happiness"), for a group of 22 HIV positive young people (aged 10 to 11) whom it adopted from the Cernavoda Orphanage in 1998. At the time of fostering the young people were not expected to live beyond their early teens, and the aim was to provide them with a loving caring home and the necessary medication and stimulation to make their lives as happy and comfortable as possible. Over the years Casa Fericii has also opened its doors to a number of other HIV positive children that the state was unable to accommodate due to their specialist needs.

A number of the originally fostered HIV positive children have died, but as a result of the care provided by Nightingales, many are now in their early 30s and have good standards of health. Whilst some are now independent, for a handful, the years of institutionalisation prior to their move to Casa Fericii, means that they have been unable to develop fully into self sufficient adults.

Currently we have 4 young people with severe learning difficulties living in the home. We also have a further 9 young adults living in independent units in the town, working and supporting themselves and requiring only moral and social support from Nightingales. They have a full programme of activities each day, interacting with all beneficiaries of the Charity. These young people are now in their thirties and continue to need the care that Nightingales provides. They love coming to the Charity daily to help out with the cleaning and spend time there hanging out there with the other beneficiaries of the Charity.

OTHER PROJECTS

For the last 17 years, the work at Casa Fericii and the other projects detailed below, has continued under the control of Ben Wells who has overseen all day to day activities, as well as starting a number of other projects for the relief of poverty in Cernavoda which is a particularly poor area of Romania. Like David Savage, Ben has given up his life in England to care for these people and we owe a great debt of gratitude to him for this. Ben was awarded the Beacon Fellowship Prize for Young Philanthropist of the Year in 2006, a huge accolade that gave recognition to the dedication and hard work that Ben has committed to Nightingales.

Community Outreach Project

Nightingales cares as much for the local community as it does for the people we look after and has a Community Outreach Project which has been running alongside our other projects since Nightingales arrived in Cernavoda in the 1990s. We provide some of the poorest children and their families with clothes, medicines and toys as well as repairing their houses to a basic standard of living.

"DRAGONS DEN" Coffee Shop and play area – (formerly "Tereza" Community Centre)

The Coffee Shop building was funded in 2004 by a London based volunteer, Miki Jabkowska, founder of the charity "2 Wheel Appeal".

It employs 6 of the girls from our Human Trafficking Prevention Programme and one of our handicapped adults, providing them with valuable work experience for 2 hours each day alongside their education.

The Coffee Shop is self-sufficient and provides a welcoming space used by the whole community and an increased means of outreach and contact with the community. We run arts and crafts for the local community

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and a library for 1 to 12 year olds. It also offers a place where the local young people can display and sell the many items including candles, bags, skirts, jewellery and wooden furniture, they make.

Adjoining the coffee shop is a park, built by young men in the Nightingales mentoring scheme, a reading and colouring room, a water play feature, and play and seating areas.

The Centre also provides education and practical skills to help young people gain employment giving them a chance to break out of the poverty in which they currently live and offers gymnasium facilities, and classes in boxing, weightlifting, dancing and football, which enable the locals to participate in sports related activities at an affordable price. It also offers an after school club for local children, run by volunteers, where they can receive help with their homework, and a "Stay and Play" children's play area.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION PROGRAMMES

This project was set up to combat the large number of young people in Cernavoda who are forced into prostitution or trafficked each year. Nightingales works in partnership with the Human Trafficking Foundation, two local schools and a local church to deliver various projects which provide opportunity and hope to vulnerable young people.

Trafficking Prevention for young girls

In Cernavoda, one of the biggest growth industries is the trafficking of young women to work in the sex industry in Western Europe. Nightingales works in partnership with two local schools, a local church and local authorities to deliver a number of projects which provide opportunity and hope to vulnerable young people.

- This group meets every day for sessions that incorporate one to one mentoring and discussion groups and provision of financial, academic and practical support
- Through Nightingales they run a successful social enterprise, "Light for Night" that makes candles, bags, Christmas cards and jewellery
- They learn various skills including hairdressing, cooking and make-up
- They are provided with a hot meal each day
- They have their own football team
- They coordinate programmes for younger children in Cernavoda

As well as the opportunities for serious discussion on personal subjects the girls have the chance to develop new skill sets and enjoy themselves within a supportive network. This is a pilot scheme which it is hoped will be replicated in other towns around Eastern Europe.

Trafficking prevention for young men - The Football Team

The programme with the young ladies at risk lead us to recognise the need to provide a similar programme for the young men at risk of getting involved in trafficking or in drug related activities. The majority of these young men have dropped out of school without gaining their High School Certificate and consequently have been drawn into the cycle of trafficking.

In September 2012 Nightingales Childrens' Project started a 5-a-side football team in a local league, alongside which the young men worked doing small amounts of DIY at the charity. The only stipulation to being allowed to train and play is a commitment to attending and behaving at school thereby enabling them to gain their High School Certificate.

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Currently Nightingales mentors over 100 young men providing them with the incentive to stay in education and to find jobs after education, so as not to get involved in the trafficking industry. These young men are from Cernavoda and Constanta; many have spent time in orphanages and care. Football continues to be a focal point. Since 2018 we have had an 11-a-side team in the Romanian 4th division where over 30 members of the scheme pay in our senior and junior teams. The coaches use the training sessions to teach life skills and build character and confidence through football. Each is provided with a hot meal every day.

Over the last few years, the original 6 young men have started coaching some of the younger teams and running a business making and selling wooden pens and furniture made from pallets and some of the young men have also been volunteering in local prisons and schools to teach life skills through football.

In 2017, we had a representative for the Romanian national team at the Homeless World Cup in Oslo, Norway.

SPONSORSHIP

Nightingales has a number of different sponsorship programmes where everyone can get involved in the fight against trafficking by supporting one of our projects. Please visit our website at www.nightingaleschildrensproject.co.uk for full details.

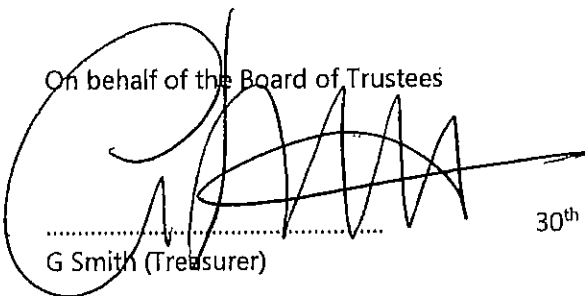
FINANCIAL REVIEW AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Nightingales aim is to keep its expenditure funded by donations to approximately £30,000 per annum and to have at least 3 years of reserves to ensure that it can continue to care for the individuals at Casa Fericii and all other projects into the foreseeable future.

The results for the year ended 31 March 2023 were considered satisfactory. There was a surplus of expenditure over income of £2,306 (2022: surplus of income over expenditure of £19,615). Unrestricted reserves totalled £108,741 at 31 March 2023 (2022: £111,480), which included cash of £91,809 (2022: £93,648).

The Trustees send their heartfelt thanks to everyone who has supported us throughout the year, particularly Dauntseys School, (and in Romania, the Canadian Embassy), as well as our regular donors. Without your help, our work cannot continue as we are reliant on donations and, every penny really is most gratefully received and put to good use.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees

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G Smith (Treasurer)

30th January 2024

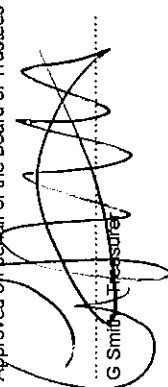
NIGHTINGALES CHILDREN'S PROJECT

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	As at 31 March 2023		As at 31 March 2022		
		General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL £
FIXED ASSETS IN ROMANIA						
Donated freehold property	1.6.2	100	-	100	-	100
Sports Hall/Community Centre	6.1	2,332	2,343	3,232	3,260	6,482
Holiday Home	6.2	14,500	-	14,500	-	14,500
		<u>16,932</u>	<u>2,343</u>	<u>17,832</u>	<u>3,250</u>	<u>21,082</u>
CURRENT ASSETS						
Sundry debtors		-	-	-	-	-
Bank balances						
- Current accounts		41,281	6,152	47,158	4,812	51,970
- Reserve accounts		50,528	-	46,490	-	46,490
		<u>91,809</u>	<u>6,152</u>	<u>93,648</u>	<u>4,812</u>	<u>98,460</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS		<u>108,741</u>	<u>8,495</u>	<u>111,480</u>	<u>8,062</u>	<u>119,542</u>
INCOME FUNDS						
Unrestricted funds						111,480
Restricted funds						8,062
Reserves carried forward 31 March 2023						<u>119,542</u>

Approved on behalf of the Board of Trustees


G Smith, Treasurer

30th January 2024

NIGHTINGALES CHILDRENS' PROJECT
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	NOTES	Year ended 31 March 2023			Year ended 31 March 2022		
		General Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL	General Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL
		£	£	£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES FROM GENERATED FUNDS							
Donations and legacies							
- Regular income		10,259	-	10,259	12,491	390	12,881
- Donations via website (Paypal)		1	-	1	-	-	-
- For specific projects	3.1	-	1,460	1,460	-	3,420	3,420
- From Fund Aid campaign		16,250	-	16,250	19,150	-	19,150
- General other	3.2	10,061	-	10,061	3,394	-	3,394
		<u>36,571</u>	<u>1,460</u>	<u>38,031</u>	<u>35,035</u>	<u>3,810</u>	<u>38,845</u>
Activities for generating funds	4	3,818	-	3,818	5,755	-	5,755
Investment income					4	-	4
Interest received on deposit account		220	-	220			
Other income							
Tax refund on donations given under gift aid		-	-	-	10,718	-	10,718
Total incoming resources		<u>40,609</u>	<u>1,460</u>	<u>42,069</u>	<u>51,512</u>	<u>3,810</u>	<u>55,322</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED							
Charitable activities							
Funds to Romania	5.2	28,880	120	30,000	16,750	7,250	24,000
Goods to Romania		-	-	-	5,869	-	5,869
Bank charges (net of refunds) on transfers to Romania		90	-	90	(21)	-	(21)
Fund Aid Campaign		6,261	-	6,261	3,836	-	3,836
Depreciation on fixed assets in Romania		900	-	900	900	907	1,807
- Sports Hall and Community Centre Project	6.1		907	907			
Total charitable expenditure		<u>(37,131)</u>	<u>(1,027)</u>	<u>(38,158)</u>	<u>(27,334)</u>	<u>(8,157)</u>	<u>(35,491)</u>
Governance costs							
Just Giving - monthly fee		216	-	216	216	-	216
National Insurance contributions for UK volunteer in Romania		6,000	-	6,000	-	-	-
Computer, stamps, stationery		-	-	-	-	-	-
		<u>(6,216)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(6,216)</u>	<u>(216)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(216)</u>
Total resources expended		<u>(43,347)</u>	<u>(1,027)</u>	<u>(44,374)</u>	<u>(27,550)</u>	<u>(8,157)</u>	<u>(35,707)</u>
Net movement in funds		<u>(2,739)</u>	<u>433</u>	<u>(2,306)</u>	<u>23,962</u>	<u>(4,347)</u>	<u>19,615</u>
Fund balances at 1 April 2022		111,480	8,062	119,542	87,518	12,409	99,927
Transfers between funds and reallocations		-	-	-	-	-	-
Fund balances at 31 March 2023		<u>108,741</u>	<u>8,495</u>	<u>117,236</u>	<u>111,480</u>	<u>8,062</u>	<u>119,542</u>

NIGHTINGALES CHILDREN'S PROJECT

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 and comply with the Charity's Trust Deed, applicable law and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice - Account and reporting by charities (revised 2005).

1.2 INCOMING RESOURCES

Donations and income from fundraising events are accounted for on the receipts and payments basis. Tax reclaimable on donations received under gift aid is accounted for on the receipts and payments basis.

1.3 DONATED ASSETS

Donated assets are capitalised in the Balance Sheet at their estimated market value when received, with the corresponding entry being included in the Statement of Financial Activities as a donation, except for the following assets which were donated in prior years:-

"Casa Fericii" building - owned by Townhall but leased to Nightingales free of charge
"Tereza Sala de Sport" - (aka Sports Hall/Community Centre) - land owned by Townhall but leased to Nightingales free of charge
Str Panait Cernavoda - Bloc E12 Apartment 9 - "Volunteers Apartment" - freehold registered in name of Nightingales

The following properties are registered in the name of D Savage and/or his wife Elena but are used free of charge by Nightingales:-

Str Panait Cernavoda - Bloc E10, Apartment 9 - "Jane's Apartment"
Str .Horla nr 20, Cernavoda - "Gloarsa's House"
Com. Rasova, Intre Draghici Lulian and Curailon Gheorghe - "Rasova"

1.4 COSTS RE CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

All costs re charitable activities are accounted for on the receipts and payments basis.

1.5 GOVERNANCE COSTS

Governance costs are accounted for on an accruals basis

1.6 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS AND DEPRECIATION

1.6.1 Tangible fixed assets purchased are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its estimated useful life at the following rates:-

Sports Hall and Community Project/Day Centre	- 5% per annum straight line commencing 1.8.05
Gym equipment for Sports Hall	- 20% per annum straight line commencing 1.8.05
Motor Vehicles	- 25% per annum straight line
Land	- nil

1.6.2 The donated freehold property held in the Charity's name - Str Panait Cernavoda - Bloc E12 Apartment 9 known as the "Volunteers Apartment" is stated in the accounts at a nominal amount of £100 with no depreciation being charged

1.7 EMPLOYEES

There are no UK based employees. All UK based participants provide their services to the Charity on a voluntary basis. None of the UK based trustees receive any remuneration for their services.

Where funds allow, National Insurance contributions are paid to HM Revenue & Customs to secure pension entitlements for UK persons working long term in Romania.

1.8 SUPPORT FOR UKRAINIAN REFUGEES

Since the start of the war in Ukraine, Nightingales has housed a number of Ukrainian refugees. Their living costs have been paid for by a combination of funds they have paid in themselves, from support they have received from the authorities and specific donations.

All income and expenditure relating to the Ukrainian refugees is segregated in the Romanian accounts and shown as a restricted fund.

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2 RESTRICTED FUNDS

Goods and funds donated for a specific purpose are designated as Restricted Funds in Nightingales' accounts, and are used solely in accordance with the donor's wishes.

	Y/e 31.3.23 £	Y/e 31.3.22 £
3 DONATIONS AND LEGACIES		
3.1 Restricted donations		
K&A Bianca re Jayda	120	120
Alina Hales - Back to School	-	500
Tatty Amory	-	1,000
G Arnstein - Roof/holiday	-	750
Grace Arnstein - Christmas	-	500
St George's Church, Fatfield	590	550
Ukraine	750	-
TOTAL FOR PERIOD PER STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	<u>1,460</u>	<u>3,420</u>
3.2 General - other donations comprise		
Josh Hayles	1,800	1,800
Dauntseys School	6,063	-
C3 Hope Sheffield	1,044	-
Galampton Primary School	-	403
Downe House School	-	593
Kingsley Napley	1,000	-
	<u>9,907</u>	<u>2,796</u>
Donations under £250 each	154	598
TOTAL FOR PERIOD PER STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	<u>10,061</u>	<u>3,394</u>
4 ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS		
Fundraising:-		
Just Giving	3,818	3,923
Virgin Money Giving	-	1,833
TOTAL FOR PERIOD PER STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	<u>3,818</u>	<u>5,756</u>

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	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
5 FUNDS TO ROMANIA			
5.1 SUMMARY OF MOVEMENT			
Romanian bank and cash balances brought forward 1 April 2022		4,498	5,468
Funds sent from Nightingales UK	5.2	29,240	28,031
Sundry other income including sponsorship, donations, governmental refunds and loan repayments	5.3	26,918	38,982
Less expenditure in Romania	5.5	(60,070)	(62,405)
Add income less expenditure re Ukrainian refugee support	5.4	2,456	(5,578)
Romanian bank and balances carried forward 31 March 2023		<u>3,042</u>	<u>4,488</u>
5.2 Funds Sent from Nightingales UK			
Funds to Romania - General running costs	Per SOFA	29,880	25,881
Funds to Romania - for specific items	Per SOFA	120	4,119
Exchange differences		(760)	(1,969)
	5.1	<u>29,240</u>	<u>28,031</u>
5.3 Sundry other income including sponsorship, donations, governmental refunds and loan repayments, comprises:-			
Loans repaid		-	26
Donations		8,431	10,419
Reallocation of ODM income for Ukrainians in previous year		(6,000)	-
Income from the Community Centre		-	258
Living costs reimbursed from independent adults		1,149	1,137
Money from the State for food		3,018	3,908
Money from the State for child allowance		19,451	20,528
Heating Pellets		871	2,708
	5.1	<u>26,918</u>	<u>38,982</u>
5.4 Restricted income and expenditure relating to support of Ukrainian refugees and held in Romania	1.8		
Income from ODM		9,264	-
Reallocation of ODM income from previous year		6,000	-
Expenditure		(12,808)	(5,578)
Restricted funds held in Romania forming part of bank balance at 5.1 above		<u>2,456</u>	<u>(5,578)</u>

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6 FUNDS TO ROMANIA (Continued)

Funds sent to Romania during the period were applied as follows:-

	Notes	2023		2022	
		£	£	£	£
5.4.1	Expenditure at Casa Fericiiri				
	Light, heat, power and utilities, phone, etc	9,441		4,031	
	Camping and excursions	334		1,465	
	Celebrations - festivals and birthdays, etc	366		821	
	Clothes	50		291	
	Construction/building maintenance	1,739		5,025	
	Food and cleaning	8,693		7,016	
	Fuel/diesel and other vehicle expenses	1,741		1,866	
	Loan to Coffee Shop	-		367	
	Medication	557		753	
	Other payments (inc petty cash expenses)	833		2,092	
	Salaries 5.5	19,948		21,075	
	Salary taxes and related costs	7,734		6,277	
	A Steen Project (restricted fund)	5,437		4,406	
	Apartment costs	1,708		1,792	
	Volunteer costs	468		288	
			59,049		57,665
5.4.2	Expenditure at Community Centre/Coffee Shop				
	Alarm system		395		389
5.4.3	Other costs				
	Football Project - match costs		0		1,930
	Literacy Project (restricted fund)		395		772
	Nightingales Library		21		-
	Bank commission		210		135
	Total expenditure in year	5.1	60,070		60,871

Volunteers' living expenses

Volunteers helping out in Romania are required to fund their flight costs and living expenses.

Volunteer costs included above are more than fully covered by donations received from the volunteers.

5.5 SALARIES

Salaries comprise amounts paid to Romanian locals employed by the Charity to assist with the various projects and day to day operations. Rates of pay are consistent with those in the Romanian economy generally.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

6	FIXED ASSETS	General £	Restricted £	Total £
6.1	<u>SPORTS HALL AND COMMUNITY CENTRE PROJECT</u>			
	COST			
	Brought forward 1 April 2022	18,007	18,140	36,147
	Additions	-	-	-
	Carried forward 31 March 2023	<u>18,007</u>	<u>18,140</u>	<u>36,147</u>
	DEPRECIATION			
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	Charge for period	900	907	1,807
	Carried forward 31 March 2023	<u>15,675</u>	<u>15,797</u>	<u>31,472</u>
	NET BOOK VALUE 31 MARCH 2023	<u>2,332</u>	<u>2,343</u>	<u>4,675</u>
	NET BOOK VALUE 31 MARCH 2022	<u>3,232</u>	<u>3,250</u>	<u>6,482</u>
6.4	<u>HOLIDAY HOME</u>			
	COST AND NET BOOK VALUE 1 APRIL 2022 AND 31 MARCH 2023	<u>14,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,500</u>

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF

NIGHTINGALES CHILDRENS' PROJECT

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Nightingales Childrens' Project (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2023, which are set out on pages 5 to 11.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

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

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Basis of independent examiner's report

I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of ICAEW, which is one of the bodies listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act.

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the financial statements present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

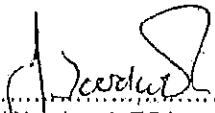
Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and confirm that no matters have come to my attention which give me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
- the financial statements do not accord with the accounting records; or
- the financial statement do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have not come across any matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

This report is made solely to the Charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's trustees those matters which I am required to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's Trustees as a body, for my work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.


.....
J Woodcock FCA

30th January 2024
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Date

NIGHTINGALES CHILDRENS PROJECT

England & Wales - Charity number 1047698

Accounts

NIGHTINGALES CHILDREN'S PROJECT
(www.nightingaleschildrensproject.co.uk)

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TRUSTEES REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

NIGHTINGALES CHILDRENS PROJECT

TRUSTEES REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

The Trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Nightingales Childrens Project is a registered Charity, charity no 1047698. The charity's principal office is First Floor, County House, 100, New London Road, Chelmsford, Essex, CM2 0RG.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charity's Trust Deed, applicable law and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice – Accounting and Reporting by Charities (revised 2005).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Nightingales Childrens Project was established by a charitable trust deed on 27 June 1995.

The objectives of the Trust are:-

The Trustees shall hold the trust fund and its income upon trust to apply them for the following objects ("the objects") (in Romania) ("the area of benefit")

- 1 The relief of poverty sickness and distress and to advance education and integration amongst children and young people in Cernavoda and the surrounding areas;*
- 2 The relief of poverty, sickness and distress amongst the disadvantaged families in Cernavoda and the surrounding areas by the provision of support and resources.*

The trustees who served during the period were:-

LA Moran
PR Moran
F Phillips - Chairman
GA Smith
AS Wells

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Trust Deed. They meet at least annually and all decisions are reached by agreement.

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Under the terms of the Trust Deed, the Trustees have wide discretionary powers as to distributions of income and capital in pursuance of the objects of the Trust as stated above.

CERNAVODA ORPHANAGE AND CASA FERICIRII ("Home of Happiness")

Nightingales Childrens Project is the brain child of David Savage MBE, who during the 1990's, gave up his life in England to set up and run the project, which initially consisted of providing a supported volunteer network to visit the children in the Cernavoda Orphanage, giving them one to one attention, love and stimulation to enable them to develop. The Orphanage was closed during 2004/05 and the children living there were either fostered

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or transferred to other Orphanages within the Constanta area. Nightingales continued to provide support for these children via support for their new families and regular visits until the end of 2007.

David Savage MBE also raised money for and built a home, Casa Fericirii, (meaning "Home of Happiness"), for a group of 22 HIV positive young people whom it adopted from the Cernavoda Orphanage in 1998. At the time of fostering the young people were not expected to live beyond their early teens, and the aim was to provide them with a loving caring home and the necessary medication and stimulation to make their lives as happy and comfortable as possible. Over the years Casa Fericirii has opened its doors to a number of other HIV positive children that the state was unable to accommodate due to their specialist needs.

Over the years, several of the originally fostered HIV positive children died, but as a result of the care provided by Nightingales, many are now in their early 30s and have good standards of health. Whilst some are now independent, for a number, the years of institutionalisation prior to their move to Casa Fericirii, means that they have been unable to develop fully into self sufficient adults.

Currently we have 4 young people with severe learning difficulties living in the home. We also have a further 9 young adults living in independent units in the town, working and supporting themselves and requiring only moral and social support from Nightingales. They have a full programme of activities each day, interacting with all beneficiaries of the Charity. These young people are now in their thirties and continue to need the care that Nightingales provides. They love coming to the Charity daily to help out with the cleaning and spend time there hanging out there with the other beneficiaries of the Charity.

OTHER PROJECTS

For the last 16 years, the work at Casa Fericirii and the other projects detailed below, has continued under the control of Ben Wells who has overseen all day to day activities, as well as starting a number of other projects for the relief of poverty in Cernavoda which is a particularly poor area of Romania. Like David Savage, Ben has given up his life in England to care for these people and we owe a great debt of gratitude to him for this. Ben was awarded the Beacon Fellowship Prize for Young Philanthropist of the Year in 2006, a huge accolade that gave recognition to the dedication and hard work that Ben has committed to Nightingales.

Community Outreach Project

Nightingales cares as much for the local community as it does for the people we look after and has a Community Outreach Project which has been running alongside our other projects since Nightingales arrived in Cernavoda in the 1990s. We provide some of the poorest children and their families with clothes, medicines and toys as well as repairing their houses to a basic standard of living.

"DRAGONS DEN" Coffee Shop and play area – (formerly "Tereza" Community Centre)

The Coffee Shop building was funded in 2004 by a London based volunteer, Miki Jablkowska, founder of the charity "2 Wheel Appeal".

It employs 6 of the girls from our Human Trafficking Prevention Programme and one of our handicapped adults, providing them with valuable work experience for 2 hours each day alongside their education.

The Coffee Shop is self-sufficient and provides a welcoming space used by the whole community. An increased means of outreach and contact with the community. We run arts and crafts for the local community and a

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library for 1 to 12 year olds. It also offers a place where the local young people can display and sell the many items including candles, bags, skirts, jewellery and wooden furniture, they make.

Adjoining the coffee shop is a park, built by young men in the Nightingales mentoring scheme, a reading and colouring room, a water play feature, and play and seating areas.

The Centre also provides education and practical skills to help young people gain employment giving them a chance to break out of the poverty in which they currently live and offers gymnasium facilities, and classes in boxing, weightlifting, dancing and football, which enable the locals to participate in sports related activities at an affordable price. It also offers an after school club for local children, run by volunteers, where they can receive help with their homework, and a "Stay and Play" children's play area.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION PROGRAMMES

This project was set up to combat the large number of young people in Cernavoda who are forced into prostitution or trafficked each year. Nightingales works in partnership with the Human Trafficking Foundation, two local schools and a local church to deliver various projects which provide opportunity and hope to vulnerable young people.

Trafficking Prevention for young girls

In Cernavoda one of the biggest growth industries is the trafficking of young women to work in the sex industry in Western Europe, as highlighted in an article in the Guardian newspaper on November 30th 2020. We are working in partnership with two local schools, a local church and local authorities to deliver a number of projects which provide opportunity and hope to vulnerable young people.

- This group meets every day for sessions that incorporate one to one mentoring and discussion groups and provision of financial, academic and practical support
- Through Nightingales they run a successful social enterprise, "Light for Night" that makes candles, bags, Christmas cards and jewellery
- They learn various skills including hairdressing, cooking and make-up
- They are provided with a hot meal each day
- They have their own football team
- They coordinate programmes for younger children in Cernavoda

As well as the opportunities for serious discussion on personal subjects the girls have the chance to develop new skill sets and enjoy themselves within a supportive network. This is a pilot scheme which it is hoped will be replicated in other towns around Eastern Europe.

Trafficking prevention for young men - The Football Team

The programme with the young ladies at risk lead us to recognise the need to provide a similar programme for the young men at risk of getting involved in trafficking girls or in drug related activities. The majority of these young men have dropped out of school without gaining their High School Certificate and consequently have been drawn into the cycle of trafficking.

In September 2012 Nightingales Childrens' Project started a 5-a-side football team in a local league, alongside which the young men worked doing small amounts of DIY at the charity. The only stipulation to being allowed

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to train and play is a commitment to attending and behaving at school thereby enabling them to gain their High School Certificate.

Currently Nightingales mentors over 100 young men providing them with the incentive to stay in education and to find jobs after education, so as not to get involved in the trafficking industry. These young men are from Cernavoda and Constanta; many have spent time in orphanages and care. Football continues to be a focal point. Since 2018 we have had an 11-a-side team in the Romanian 4th division where over 30 members of the scheme play in our senior and junior teams. The coaches use the training sessions to teach life skills and build character and confidence through football. Each is provided with a hot meal every day.

Over the last few years, the original 6 young men have started coaching some of the younger teams and running a business making and selling wooden pens and furniture made from pallets and some of the young men have also been volunteering in local prisons and schools to teach life skills through football.

In 2017, we had a representative for the Romanian national team at the Homeless World Cup in Oslo, Norway.

SPONSORSHIP

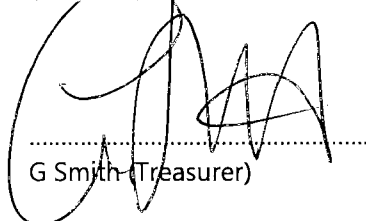
Nightingales has a number of different sponsorship programmes where everyone can get involved in the fight against trafficking by supporting one of our projects. Please visit our website at www.nightingaleschildrensproject.co.uk for full details.

FINANCIAL REVIEW AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The results were considered satisfactory although it was pleasing to note that, for the first time in a number of years, there was an excess of income over expenditure. This surplus totalled £19,615, (2021: £21,334). Unrestricted reserves totalled £111,480 at 31 March 2022 (2021: £87,517), which included cash of £93,648 (2021: £68,785).

The Trustees send their heartfelt thanks to everyone who has supported us throughout the year, particularly Dauntseys School, (and in Romania, the Canadian Embassy), as well as our regular donors. Without your help, our work cannot continue as we are totally reliant on donations and, every penny really is most gratefully received and put to good use.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees



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G Smith (Treasurer)

31 January 2023

NIGHTINGALES CHILDRENS' PROJECT
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	NOTES	Year ended 31 March 2022				Year ended 31 March 2021					
		General Funds		Restricted Funds		General Funds		Restricted Funds		TOTAL	
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	
INCOMING RESOURCES FROM GENERATED FUNDS											
Donations and legacies											
- Regular income		12,491	390	12,881	12,197	-	-	12,197	-	12,197	
- Donations via website (Paypal)		-	-	-	2,572	-	-	2,572	-	2,572	
- For specific projects	3.1	-	3,420	3,420	-	832	832	-	832	832	
- From Fund Aid campaign		19,150	-	19,150	14,660	-	-	14,660	-	14,660	
- General other	3.2	3,394	-	3,394	8,469	-	-	8,469	-	8,469	
		<u>35,035</u>	<u>3,810</u>	<u>38,845</u>	<u>37,898</u>	<u>832</u>	<u>832</u>	<u>38,730</u>		<u>38,730</u>	
Activities for generating funds	4	5,755	-	5,755	10,838	-	-	10,838		10,838	
Investment income											
Interest received on deposit account		4	-	4	17	-	-	17		17	
Other income											
Tax refund on donations given under gift aid		10,717	-	10,717	-	-	-	-		-	
Total incoming resources		<u>51,512</u>	<u>3,810</u>	<u>55,322</u>	<u>48,753</u>	<u>832</u>	<u>832</u>	<u>49,585</u>		<u>49,585</u>	
RESOURCES EXPENDED											
Charitable activities											
Funds to Romania	5.2	16,750	7,250	24,000	16,301	3,699	20,000	20,000		20,000	
Goods to Romania		5,869	-	5,869	-	-	-	-		-	
Bank charges (net of refunds) on transfers to Romania		(21)	-	(21)	60	-	60	60		60	
Fund Aid Campaign		3,836	-	3,836	6,168	-	6,168	6,168		6,168	
Depreciation on fixed assets in Romania		900	907	1,807	900	907	1,807	1,807		1,807	
- Sports Hall and Community Centre Project	6.1										
Total charitable expenditure		<u>(27,334)</u>	<u>(8,157)</u>	<u>(35,491)</u>	<u>(23,429)</u>	<u>(4,606)</u>	<u>(4,606)</u>	<u>(28,035)</u>		<u>(28,035)</u>	
Governance costs											
Just Giving - monthly fee		216	-	216	216	-	-	216		216	
Computer, stamps, stationery		-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	
Total resources expended		<u>(27,550)</u>	<u>(8,157)</u>	<u>(35,707)</u>	<u>(23,649)</u>	<u>(4,606)</u>	<u>(4,606)</u>	<u>(28,255)</u>		<u>(28,255)</u>	
Net movement in funds		23,962	(4,347)	19,615	25,108	(3,774)	(3,774)	21,334		21,334	
Fund balances at 1 April 2021		87,518	12,409	99,927	62,410	16,183	16,183	78,593		78,593	
Transfers between funds and reallocations		-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	
Fund balances at 31 March 2022		<u>111,480</u>	<u>8,062</u>	<u>119,542</u>	<u>87,518</u>	<u>12,409</u>	<u>12,409</u>	<u>99,927</u>		<u>99,927</u>	

NIGHTINGALES CHILDREN'S PROJECT

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 and comply with the Charity's Trust Deed, applicable law and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice - Account and reporting by charities (revised 2005).

1.2 INCOMING RESOURCES

Donations and income from fundraising events are accounted for on the receipts and payments basis.

Tax reclaimable on donations received under gift aid is accounted for on the receipts and payments basis.

1.3 DONATED ASSETS

Donated assets are capitalised in the Balance Sheet at their estimated market value when received, with the corresponding entry being included in the Statement of Financial Activities as a donation, except for the following assets which were donated in prior years:-

"Casa Fericii" building - owned by Townhall but leased to Nightingales free of charge

"Tereza Sala de Sport" - (aka Sports Hall/Community Centre) - land owned by Townhall but leased to Nightingales free of charge

Str Panait Cernavoda - Bloc E12 Apartment 9 - "Volunteers Apartment" - freehold registered in name of Nightingales

The following properties are registered in the name of D Savage and/or his wife Elena but are used free of charge by Nightingales:-

Str Panait Cernavoda - Bloc E10, Apartment 9 - "Jane's Apartment"

Str .Horia nr 20, Cernavoda - "Gioarsa's House"

Com. Rasova, intre Draghici Lulian and Curaion Gheorghe - "Rasova"

1.4 COSTS RE CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

All costs re charitable activities are accounted for on the receipts and payments basis.

1.5 GOVERNANCE COSTS

Governance costs are accounted for on an accruals basis

1.6 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS AND DEPRECIATION

1.6.1 Tangible fixed assets purchased are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its estimated useful life at the following rates:-

Sports Hall and Community Project/Day Centre	- 5% per annum straight line commencing 1.8.05
Gym equipment for Sports Hall	- 20% per annum straight line commencing 1.8.05
Motor Vehicles	- 25% per annum straight line
Land	- nil

1.6.2 The donated freehold property held in the Charity's name - Str Panait Cernavoda - Bloc E12 Apartment 9 known as the "Volunteers Apartment" is stated in the accounts at a nominal amount of £100 with no depreciation being charged

1.7 EMPLOYEES

There are no UK based employees. All UK based participators provide their services to the Charity on a voluntary basis. None of the UK based trustees receive any remuneration for their services.

UK persons working long term in Romania do not receive any funding from the Charity.

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2 RESTRICTED FUNDS

Goods and funds donated for a specific purpose are designated as Restricted Funds in Nightingales' accounts, and are used solely in accordance with the donor's wishes.

	Y/e 31.3.22 £	Y/e 31.3.21 £
3 DONATIONS AND LEGACIES		
3.1 Donations - Specific includes amounts received from the following:-		
K&A Bianca re Jayda	120	120
Fatfield Church	550	712
Tatty Amory	1,000	
G Arnstein - roof/holiday	750	
G Arnstein - Christmas	500	-
Alina Hales - Back to School	500	
TOTAL FOR PERIOD PER STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	<u>3,420</u>	<u>832</u>
3.2 General - other donations comprise		
Josh Hayles	1,800	-
Galampton Primary School	403	-
Downe House School	593	-
Dauntseys School		
- Volunteer Project re accommodation	-	5,800
- G Arnstein - Christmas and New Year	-	750
	<u>2,796</u>	<u>6,550</u>
Donations under £250 each	598	1,919
TOTAL FOR PERIOD PER STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	<u>3,394</u>	<u>8,469</u>

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	Y/e 31.3.22 £	Y/e 31.3.21 £
4 ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS		
Fundraising:-		
Virgin Money Giving	1,833	9,183
Just Giving	3,923	-
Sponsored Events		
Auction	-	1,499
B Lacey	-	155
Other	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>1,654</u>
TOTAL FOR PERIOD PER STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	<u><u>5,755</u></u>	<u><u>10,837</u></u>

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
5 FUNDS TO ROMANIA			
5.1 SUMMARY OF MOVEMENT			
Romanian bank and cash balances brought forward 1 April 2021		5,468	9,544
Exchange differences		(1,969)	-
Funds sent from Nightingales UK	5.2	29,474	19,306
Sundry other income including sponsorship, donations, governmental refunds and loan repayments	5.3	38,982	30,287
Less expenditure in Romania	5.4	(60,871)	(53,669)
Less heating pellets		(5,869)	-
Romanian bank and balances carried forward 31 March 2022		<u>5,215</u>	<u>5,468</u>
5.2 FUNDS SENT FROM NIGHTINGALES UK			
Funds to Romania - General running costs	Per SOFA	24,000	16,301
Funds to Romania - for specific items (2022 heating pellets)	Per SOFA	5,869	3,699
Exchange differences		(395)	(694)
	5.1	<u>29,474</u>	<u>19,306</u>
5.3 Sundry other income including sponsorship, donations, governmental refunds and loan repayments, comprises:-			
Loans repaid		26	-
Donations		10,419	3,109
Income from the Community Centre		258	-
Living costs reimbursed from independent adults		1,137	1,317
Money from the State for food		3,906	4,474
Money from the State for child allowance		20,528	21,387
Heating pellets		2,708	-
	5.1	<u>38,982</u>	<u>30,287</u>

NIGHTINGALES CHILDREN'S PROJECT

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

5 FUNDS TO ROMANIA (Continued)

Funds sent to Romania during the period were applied as follows:-

	Notes	2022		2021	
		£	£	£	£
5.4.1	Expenditure at Casa Fericirii				
	Light, heat, power and utilities, phone, etc	4,031		2,900	
	Camping and excursions	1,465		549	
	Celebrations - festivals and birthdays, etc	821		753	
	Clothes	291		522	
	Construction/building maintenance	5,025		2,714	
	Food and cleaning	7,016		5,099	
	Fuel/diesel and other vehicle expenses	1,966		1,025	
	Loan to Coffee Shop	367		301	
	Medication	753		370	
	Other payments (inc petty cash expenses)	2,092		1,500	
	Salaries 5.5	21,075		20,525	
	Salary taxes and related costs	6,277		7,029	
	A Steen Project (restricted fund)	4,406		4,767	
	Apartment costs (restricted fund)	1,792		3,523	
	Volunteer costs	288		-	
	Food parcels for local community during lockdown	-		1,220	
			57,665		52,797
5.4.2	Expenditure at Community Centre/Coffee Shop				
	Alarm system	369		392	
			369		392
	Football Project - match costs		1,930		210
	Literacy Project (restricted fund)		772		-
	Nightingales Library		-		66
	Bank commission		135		204
	Total expenditure in year	5.1	60,871		53,669

Volunteers' living expenses

Volunteers helping out in Romania are required to fund their flight costs and living expenses.

Volunteer costs included above are more than fully covered by donations received from the volunteers.

5.5 SALARIES

Salaries comprise amounts paid to Romanian locals employed by the Charity to assist with the various projects and day to day operations. Rates of pay are consistent with those in the Romanian economy generally.

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6	FIXED ASSETS	General £	Restricted £	Total £
6.1	<u>SPORTS HALL AND COMMUNITY CENTRE PROJECT COST</u>			
	Brought forward 1 April 2021	18,007	18,140	36,147
	Additions	-	-	-
	Carried forward 31 March 2022	<u>18,007</u>	<u>18,140</u>	<u>36,147</u>
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6.2 **HOLIDAY HOME**

COST AND NET BOOK VALUE 1 APRIL 2021 AND 31 MARCH 2022	<u>14,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,500</u>
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The Holiday Home is currently registered in the names of Mark Kime and Angie Bray, who hold this on behalf of Nightingales.

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
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Basis of independent examiner's report

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My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the financial statements present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

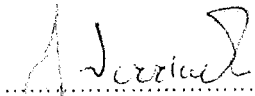
Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and confirm that no matters have come to my attention which give me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
- the financial statements do not accord with the accounting records; or
- the financial statement do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have not come across any matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

This report is made solely to the Charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's trustees those matters which I am required to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's Trustees as a body, for my work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.


.....
J Woodcock FCA

28th January 2023
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Date

NIGHTINGALES CHILDRENS PROJECT

England & Wales - Charity number 1047698

Accounts

NIGHTINGALES CHILDREN'S PROJECT
(www.nightingaleschildrensproject.co.uk)

Registered charity number 1047698

TRUSTEES REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

NIGHTINGALES CHILDRENS PROJECT

TRUSTEES REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

The Trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Nightingales Childrens Project is a registered Charity, charity no 1047698. The charity's principal office is First Floor, County House, 100, New London Road, Chelmsford, Essex, CM2 0RG.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charity's Trust Deed, applicable law and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice – Accounting and Reporting by Charities (revised 2005).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Nightingales Childrens Project was established by a charitable trust deed on 27 June 1995.

The objectives of the Trust are:-

The Trustees shall hold the trust fund and its income upon trust to apply them for the following objects ("the objects") (in Romania) ("the area of benefit")

- 1 The relief of poverty sickness and distress and to advance education and integration amongst children and young people in Cernavoda and the surrounding areas;*
- 2 The relief of poverty, sickness and distress amongst the disadvantaged families in Cernavoda and the surrounding areas by the provision of support and resources.*

The trustees who served during the period were:-

L Holmyard (appointed 9 January 2020, resigned 30 January 2021).

LA Moran

PR Moran

F Phillips - Chairman

GA Smith

AS Wells

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Trust Deed. They meet at least annually and all decisions are reached by agreement.

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Under the terms of the Trust Deed, the Trustees have wide discretionary powers as to distributions of income and capital in pursuance of the objects of the Trust as stated above.

CERNAVODA ORPHANAGE AND CASA FERICIRII ("Home of Happiness")

Nightingales Childrens Project is the brain child of David Savage MBE, who during the 1990's, gave up his life in England to set up and run the project, which initially consisted of providing a supported volunteer network to visit the children in the Cernavoda Orphanage, giving them one to one attention, love and stimulation to enable them to develop. The Orphanage was closed during 2004/05 and the children living there were either fostered

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or transferred to other Orphanages within the Constanta area. Nightingales continued to provide support for these children via support for their new families and regular visits until the end of 2007.

David Savage MBE also raised money for and built a home, Casa Fericii, (meaning "Home of Happiness"), for a group of 22 HIV positive young people whom it adopted from the Cernavoda Orphanage in 1998. At the time of fostering the young people were not expected to live beyond their early teens, and the aim was to provide them with a loving caring home and the necessary medication and stimulation to make their lives as happy and comfortable as possible. Over the years Casa Fericii has opened its doors to a number of other HIV positive children that the state was unable to accommodate due to their specialist needs.

Over the years, several of the originally fostered HIV positive children died, but as a result of the care provided by Nightingales, many are now in their early 30s and have good standards of health. Whilst some are now independent, for a number, the years of institutionalisation prior to their move to Casa Fericii, means that they have been unable to develop fully into self sufficient adults.

Currently we have 5 young people with severe learning difficulties living in the home. We also have a further 9 young adults living in independent units in the town, working and supporting themselves and requiring only moral and social support from Nightingales. They have a full programme of activities each day, interacting with all beneficiaries of the Charity. These young people are now in their thirties and continue to need the care that Nightingales provides. They love coming to the Charity daily to help out with the cleaning and spend time there hanging out there with the other beneficiaries of the Charity.

OTHER PROJECTS

For the last 14 years, the work at Casa Fericii and the other projects detailed below, has continued under the control of Ben Wells who has overseen all day to day activities, as well as starting a number of other projects for the relief of poverty in Cernavoda which is a particularly poor area of Romania. Like David Savage, Ben has given up his life in England to care for these people and we owe a great debt of gratitude to him for this. Ben was awarded the Beacon Fellowship Prize for Young Philanthropist of the Year in 2006, a huge accolade that gave recognition to the dedication and hard work that Ben has committed to Nightingales.

Community Outreach Project

Nightingales cares as much for the local community as it does for the people we look after and has a Community Outreach Project which has been running alongside our other projects since Nightingales arrived in Cernavoda in the 1990s. We provide some of the poorest children and their families with clothes, medicines and toys as well as repairing their houses to a basic standard of living.

"DRAGONS DEN" Coffee Shop and play area – (formerly "Tereza" Community Centre)

The Coffee Shop building was funded in 2004 by a London based volunteer, Miki Jablkowska, founder of the charity "2 Wheel Appeal".

It employs 6 of the girls from our Human Trafficking Prevention Programme and one of our handicapped adults, providing them with valuable work experience for 2 hours each day alongside their education.

The Coffee Shop is self-sufficient and provides a welcoming space used by the whole community. It is an increased means of outreach and contact with the community. We run arts and crafts for the local community and a

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library for 1 to 12 year olds. It also offers a place where the local young people can display and sell the many items including candles, bags, skirts, jewellery and wooden furniture, they make.

Adjoining the coffee shop is a park, built by young men in the Nightingales mentoring scheme, a reading and colouring room, a water play feature, and play and seating areas.

The Centre also provides education and practical skills to help young people gain employment giving them a chance to break out of the poverty in which they currently live and offers gymnasium facilities, and classes in boxing, weightlifting, dancing and football, which enable the locals to participate in sports related activities at an affordable price. It also offers an after school club for local children, run by volunteers, where they can receive help with their homework, and a "Stay and Play" children's play area.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION PROGRAMMES

This project was set up to combat the large number of young people in Cernavoda who are forced into prostitution or trafficked each year. Nightingales works in partnership with the Human Trafficking Foundation, two local schools and a local church to deliver various projects which provide opportunity and hope to vulnerable young people.

Trafficking Prevention for young girls

In Cernavoda one of the biggest growth industries is the trafficking of young women to work in the sex industry in Western Europe, as highlighted in an article in the Guardian newspaper on November 30th 2020. We are working in partnership with two local schools, a local church and local authorities to deliver a number of projects which provide opportunity and hope to vulnerable young people.

- This group meets every day for sessions that incorporate one to one mentoring and discussion groups and provision of financial, academic and practical support
- Through Nightingales they run a successful social enterprise, "Light for Night" that makes candles, bags, Christmas cards and jewellery
- They learn various skills including hairdressing, cooking and make-up
- They are provided with a hot meal each day
- They have their own football team
- They coordinate programmes for younger children in Cernavoda

As well as the opportunities for serious discussion on personal subjects the girls have the chance to develop new skill sets and enjoy themselves within a supportive network. This is a pilot scheme which it is hoped will be replicated in other towns around Eastern Europe.

Trafficking prevention for young men - The Football Team

The programme with the young ladies at risk lead us to recognise the need to provide a similar programme for the young men at risk of getting involved in trafficking girls or in drug related activities. The majority of these young men have dropped out of school without gaining their High School Certificate and consequently have been drawn into the cycle of trafficking.

In September 2012 Nightingales Childrens' Project started a 5-a-side football team in a local league, alongside which the young men worked doing small amounts of DIY at the charity. The only stipulation to being allowed

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to train and play is a commitment to attending and behaving at school thereby enabling them to gain their High School Certificate.

Currently Nightingales mentors over 100 young men providing them with the incentive to stay in education and to find jobs after education, so as not to get involved in the trafficking industry. These young men are from Cernavoda and Constanta; many have spent time in orphanages and care. Football continues to be a focal point. Since 2018 we have had an 11-a-side team in the Romanian 4th division where over 30 members of the scheme play in our senior and junior teams. The coaches use the training sessions to teach life skills and build character and confidence through football. Each is provided with a hot meal every day.

Over the last few years, the original 6 young men have started coaching some of the younger teams and running a business making and selling wooden pens and furniture made from pallets and some of the young men have also been volunteering in local prisons and schools to teach life skills through football.

In 2017, we had a representative for the Romanian national team at the Homeless World Cup in Oslo, Norway.

THE IMPACT OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

2020 changed the way the world functions and this was the same for Nightingales. It has meant supporting out beneficiaries in other ways, giving them access to school online, weekly food parcels during lockdown and football training on Zoom. It has been hard for everyone but our focus has been on keeping everyone healthy.

SPONSORSHIP

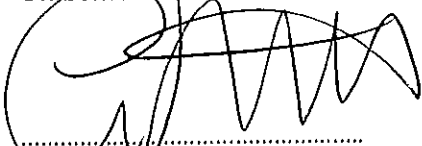
Nightingales has a number of different sponsorship programmes where everyone can get involved in the fight against trafficking by supporting one of our projects. Please visit our website at www.nightingaleschildrensproject.co.uk for full details.

FINANCIAL REVIEW AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The results were considered satisfactory although it was pleasing to note that, for the first time in a number of years, there was an excess of income over expenditure. This surplus totalled £21,333, (2020: £8,726 deficit of expenditure over income). Unrestricted reserves totalled £87,517 at 31 March 2021 (2020: £62,410), which included cash of £68,785 (2020: £42,778).

The Trustees send their heartfelt thanks to everyone who has supported us throughout the year, particularly Dauntseys School, (and in Romania, the Canadian Embassy), as well as our regular donors. Without your help, our work cannot continue as we are totally reliant on donations and, every penny really is most gratefully received and put to good use.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees



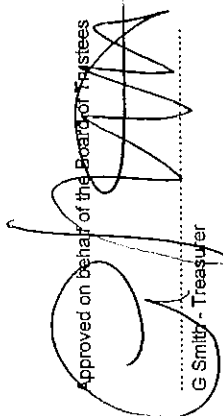
G. Smith (Treasurer)

31 January 2022

NIGHTINGALES CHILDREN'S PROJECT
DRAFT BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	As at 31 March 2021 General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL £
FIXED ASSETS IN ROMANIA				
Donated freehold property	1.6.2	100	-	100
Sports Hall/Community Centre	6.1	4,132	4,157	8,289
Holiday Home	6.2	14,500	-	14,500
		<u>18,732</u>	<u>4,157</u>	<u>22,889</u>
CURRENT ASSETS				
Sundry debtors		-	-	-
Bank balances		26,222	8,252	34,474
- Current accounts		42,563	-	42,563
- Reserve accounts		68,785	8,252	77,037
		<u>87,517</u>	<u>12,409</u>	<u>99,926</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS				
		<u>87,517</u>	<u>12,409</u>	<u>99,926</u>
INCOME FUNDS				
Unrestricted funds				87,517
Restricted funds				12,409
Reserves carried forward 31 March 2021				<u>99,926</u>

Approved on behalf of the Board of Trustees

 G Smitty, Treasurer

31 January 2022

As at 31 March 2021	As at 31 March 2021	TOTAL
General Funds	£ 87,517	£ 87,517
Restricted Funds	£ 12,409	£ 12,409
		<u>£ 99,926</u>

NIGHTINGALES CHILDRENS' PROJECT
DRAFT STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	NOTES	Year ended 31 March 2021		Year ended 31 March 2020		TOTAL	
		General Funds	Restricted Funds	General Funds	Restricted Funds		TOTAL
		£	£	£	£		£
INCOMING RESOURCES FROM GENERATED FUNDS							
Donations and legacies							
- Regular income		12,197	-	11,169	-	11,169	
- Donations via website (Paypal)		2,572	-	332	-	332	
- For specific projects	3.1	-	832	-	1,044	1,044	
- From Fund Aid Campaign		14,680	-	16,050	2,000	18,050	
- General other	3.2	8,469	-	336	-	336	
		<u>37,896</u>	<u>832</u>	<u>27,867</u>	<u>3,044</u>	<u>30,931</u>	
Activities for generating funds	4	10,838	-	625	-	625	
Investment income							
Interest received on deposit account		17	-	83	-	83	
Other income							
Tax refund on donations given under gift aid		-	-	-	-	-	
Total incoming resources		<u>48,752</u>	<u>832</u>	<u>28,595</u>	<u>3,044</u>	<u>31,639</u>	
RESOURCES EXPENDED							
Charitable activities							
Funds to Romania		16,301	3,699	21,573	8,427	30,000	
Goods to Romania	5.2	60	-	90	-	90	
Bank charges (net of refunds) on transfers to Romania		6,168	-	3,525	-	3,525	
Fund Aid Campaign		-	-	4,727	-	4,727	
Payments to long term volunteers based in Romania		-	-	-	-	-	
Depreciation on fixed assets in Romania		900	907	900	907	1,807	
- Sports Hall and Community Centre Project	6.1	-	-	-	-	-	
Total charitable expenditure		<u>(23,429)</u>	<u>(4,606)</u>	<u>(30,815)</u>	<u>(9,334)</u>	<u>(40,149)</u>	
Governance costs							
Just Giving - monthly fee		216	-	216	-	216	
Computer, stamps, stationery		-	-	-	-	-	
Total resources expended		<u>(23,645)</u>	<u>(4,606)</u>	<u>(31,051)</u>	<u>(9,334)</u>	<u>(40,385)</u>	
Net movement in funds		25,107	(3,774)	(2,456)	(6,290)	(8,726)	
Fund balances at 1 April 2020		62,410	16,183	64,846	22,473	87,319	
Transfers between funds and reallocations		-	-	-	-	-	
Fund balances at 31 March 2021		<u>87,517</u>	<u>12,409</u>	<u>62,410</u>	<u>16,183</u>	<u>78,593</u>	

NIGHTINGALES CHILDREN'S PROJECT

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 and comply with the Charity's Trust Deed, applicable law and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice - Account and reporting by charities (revised 2005).

1.2 INCOMING RESOURCES

Donations and income from fundraising events are accounted for on the receipts and payments basis.

Tax reclaimable on donations received under gift aid is accounted for on the receipts and payments basis.

1.3 DONATED ASSETS

Donated assets are capitalised in the Balance Sheet at their estimated market value when received, with the corresponding entry being included in the Statement of Financial Activities as a donation, except for the following assets which were donated in prior years:-

"Casa Fericiul" building - owned by Townhall but leased to Nightingales free of charge

"Tereza Sala de Sport" - (aka Sports Hall/Community Centre) - land owned by Townhall but leased to Nightingales free of charge

Str Panait Cernavoda - Bloc E12 Apartment 9 - "Volunteers Apartment" - freehold registered in name of Nightingales

The following properties are registered in the name of D Savage and/or his wife Elena but are used free of charge by Nightingales:-

Str Panait Cernavoda - Bloc E10, Apartment 9 - "Jane's Apartment"

Str .Horia nr 20, Cernavoda - "Gioarsa's House"

Com. Rasova, intre Draghici Lullian and Curaion Gheorghe - "Rasova"

1.4 COSTS RE CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

All costs re charitable activities are accounted for on the receipts and payments basis.

1.5 GOVERNANCE COSTS

Governance costs are accounted for on an accruals basis

1.6 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS AND DEPRECIATION

1.6.1

Tangible fixed assets purchased are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its estimated useful life at the following rates:-

Sports Hall and Community Project/Day Centre	- 5% per annum straight line commencing 1.8.05
Gym equipment for Sports Hall	- 20% per annum straight line commencing 1.8.05
Motor Vehicles	- 25% per annum straight line
Land	- nil

1.6.2

The donated freehold property held in the Charity's name - Str Panait Cernavoda - Bloc E12 Apartment 9 known as the "Volunteers Apartment" is stated in the accounts at a nominal amount of £100 with no depreciation being charged

1.7 EMPLOYEES

There are no UK based employees. All UK based participants provide their services to the Charity on a voluntary basis. None of the UK based trustees receive any remuneration for their services.

UK persons working long term in Romania do not receive any funding from the Charity.

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2 RESTRICTED FUNDS

Goods and funds donated for a specific purpose are designated as Restricted Funds in Nightingales' accounts, and are used solely in accordance with the donor's wishes.

	Y/e 31.3.21 £	Y/e 31.3.20 £
3 DONATIONS AND LEGACIES		
3.1 Donations - Specific includes amounts received from the following:-		
K&A Bianca re Jayda	120	120
Fatfield Church	712	-
Trinity Methodist Church	-	142
St George's Church Fatfield - Independent Living	-	782
Anthony Steen re prevention of Human Trafficking	-	-
TOTAL FOR PERIOD PER STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	<u>832</u>	<u>1,044</u>
3.2 General - other donations comprise		
Dauntseys School		
- Volunteer Project re accommodation	5,800	-
- G Arnstein - Christmas and New Year	750	-
	<u>6,550</u>	<u>-</u>
Donations under £250 each	1,919	336
TOTAL FOR PERIOD PER STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	<u>8,469</u>	<u>336</u>

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	Y/e 31.3.21 £	Y/e 31.3.20 £
4 ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS		
Fundraising:-		
Virgin Money Giving	9,183	-
The Darling Experience - Honey's Candles	-	600
Sponsored Events		
Auction	1,499	-
B Lacey	155	-
Other	-	25
	1,654	25
 TOTAL FOR PERIOD PER STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	10,838	625

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	2021 £	2020 £
5 FUNDS TO ROMANIA			
5.1 SUMMARY OF MOVEMENT			
Romanian bank and cash balances brought forward 1 April 2020		9,544	1,757
Funds sent from Nightingales UK	5.2	19,306	28,931
Sundry other income including sponsorship, donations, governmental refunds and loan repayments	5.3	30,287	50,531
Less expenditure in Romania	5.4	(53,669)	(71,675)
Romanian bank and balances carried forward 31 March 2021		<u>5,467</u>	<u>9,544</u>
5.2 FUNDS SENT FROM NIGHTINGALES UK			
Funds to Romania - General running costs	Per SOFA	16,301	21,573
Funds to Romania - for specific items	Per SOFA	3,699	8,427
Exchange differences		(694)	(1,069)
	5.1	<u>19,306</u>	<u>28,931</u>
5.3 Sundry other income including sponsorship, donations, governmental refunds and loan repayments, comprises:-			
Loans repaid		-	2,341
Donations		3,109	21,827
Income from the Community Centre		-	-
Living costs reimbursed from independent adults		1,318	1,401
Money from the State for food		4,474	4,345
Money from the State for child allowance		21,387	20,340
Coffee Shop		-	277
	5.1	<u>30,287</u>	<u>50,531</u>

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5 FUNDS TO ROMANIA (Continued)

Funds sent to Romania during the period were applied as follows:-

	Notes		2021		2020	
			£	£	£	£
5.4.1 Expenditure at Casa Ferliciril						
Light, heat, power and utilities, phone, etc			2,901		5,864	
Camping and excursions			549		1,141	
Celebrations - festivals and birthdays, etc			753		757	
Clothes			522		180	
Construction/building maintenance			2,714		5,548	
Food and cleaning			5,099		10,950	
Fuel/diesel and other vehicle expenses			1,025		3,223	
Loan to Coffee Shop			301		618	
Other loans			91		1,420	
Medication			370		768	
Other payments (inc petty cash expenses)			1,409		2,192	
Payments for Corbu camps			-		-	
Salaries	5.5		20,525		18,370	
Salary taxes and related costs			7,029		6,639	
A Steen Project			4,767		5,129	
Apartment costs			3,523		2,898	
Volunteer costs			-		3,060	
Food parcels for local community during lockdown			1,220		487	
				52,797		69,224
5.4.2 Expenditure at Community Centre/Coffee Shop						
Sundry repairs and decorations			-		-	
Alarm system			392		394	
				392		394
Football Project				210		1,401
Nightingales Library				66		443
Bank commission				204		213
Total expenditure in year		5.1		53,669		71,675

Volunteers' living expenses

Volunteers helping out in Romania are required to fund their flight costs and living expenses.

Volunteer costs included above are more than fully covered by donations received from the volunteers.

5.5 SALARIES

Salaries comprise amounts paid to Romanian locals employed by the Charity to assist with the various projects and day to day operations. Rates of pay are consistent with those in the Romanian economy generally.

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6	FIXED ASSETS	General £	Restricted £	Total £
6.1	<u>SPORTS HALL AND COMMUNITY CENTRE PROJECT COST</u>			
	Brought forward 1 April 2020	18,007	18,140	36,147
	Additions	-	-	-
	Carried forward 31 March 2021	<u>18,007</u>	<u>18,140</u>	<u>36,147</u>
	DEPRECIATION			
	Brought forward 1 April 2019	12,975	13,076	26,051
	Charge for period	900	907	1,807
	Carried forward 31 March 2020	<u>13,875</u>	<u>13,983</u>	<u>27,858</u>
	NET BOOK VALUE 31 MARCH 2021	<u>4,132</u>	<u>4,157</u>	<u>8,289</u>
	NET BOOK VALUE 31 MARCH 2020	<u>5,032</u>	<u>5,064</u>	<u>10,096</u>

6.4 **HOLIDAY HOME**

**COST AND NET BOOK VALUE 1 APRIL 2020
AND 31 MARCH 2021**

14,500	-	14,500
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The Holiday Home is currently registered in the names of Mark Kime and Angie Bray, who hold this on behalf of Nightingales.

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
NIGHTINGALES CHILDRENS' PROJECT**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Nightingales Childrens' Project (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2021, which are set out on pages 5 to 12.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

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

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Basis of independent examiner's report

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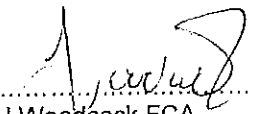
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- the financial statement do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have not come across any matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

This report is made solely to the Charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's trustees those matters which I am required to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's Trustees as a body, for my work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.


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J Woodcock FCA

151 February 2022
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Date