

CHILDREN OF COLOMBIA

England & Wales · Charity number 1095987

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2003-02-17

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

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Activities

Objects: THE RELIEF OF CHILDREN IN COLOMBIA, SOUTH AMERICA, WHO BY REASON OF THEIR SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CONDITIONS ARE IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE.

Activities: Children of Colombia raises funds for three selected charities involved with the education, care and welfare of poor, disadvantaged and sick children in Colombia and with environmental education in the Colombian Amazon by donations and events organised by supporters. It also raises awareness of the work of the charities and Colombia through the website and social media.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations
- **What:** Education/training, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Environment/conservation/heritage
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** COLOMBIA, SOUTH AMERICA
- Colombia
- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£35,154	£48,147	-	-
2024-03-31	£36,717	£45,756	-	-
2023-03-31	£27,290	£16,716	-	-
2022-03-31	£22,232	£36,476	-	-
2021-03-31	£41,495	£23,899	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Kate Seal	Chair	2018-03-17
Alexandra Raikes		2018-04-29
Antonia Bonilla Mora		2019-02-23
Bryony Simmons		2016-12-12
FRANCISCA SANKSON		2002-11-08
GWYNETH SIMMONS		

CHILDREN OF COLOMBIA

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **01/04/2024** Period start date To **31/03/2025** Period end date

Charity name: **Children of Colombia**

Charity registration number: **1095987**

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To raise funds for three recognised and respected organisations providing care and education to sick, impoverished and disadvantaged young people in Colombia.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Funds have been raised by sponsorship, donations and fundraising events. These funds have been paid out to the specified foundations supported by Children of Colombia which provide support to disadvantaged young people in line with our charity's objectives.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission has been considered by the trustees. No personal benefit is received by the board as all funds are used for the support of our three carefully chosen foundations, with whom trustees maintain close contact to monitor activities and developments.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
<p>Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.</p>	<p>Para 1.20</p>	<p>Funds were donated by a combination of regular and one-off donors. Children of Colombia was therefore able to distribute over £47,500 to the foundations over the year.</p> <p>Fundacion Natutama celebrated its 20th anniversary in 2025. Still recovering from the effects of Covid on tourism and unpredictable climate conditions in the Amazon, the charity continued to make improvements and repairs to its Education Centre which welcomes international visitors and local communities to learn about the underwater world and the conservation of this delicate ecosystem. It purchased equipment to improve essential communications and audio-visual displays in the centre. The education programme covered over 400 children aged 4-12. Its team of educators works closely with schools and the local community, giving classes, field trips and rubbish clean ups.</p> <p>Hogares Luz y Vida continues to offer the highest standards of professional healthcare to over 220 children and young people with mental and physical disabilities, serious and chronic diseases and others who have been abandoned or orphaned. They run two homes in downtown Bogota and another in the countryside, all offering a bright, cheerful and caring environment. Their current project to construct a new, purpose-built home for chronically ill youngsters in Bogota requires major funding which Children of Colombia has plans to contribute towards in 2025/26.</p> <p>After helping many girls from abusive, extremely poor and disadvantaged backgrounds through high school, technical training and university, Fundacion Fenix is expected to close down in the near future (2026). No new students are being recruited and all resources are being used to ensure funding and support for the last two young women taking degrees in Nursing and Social Work, one of whom graduated in early 2025.</p>

		Funds from Children of Colombia helped to support all these essential projects benefiting both individuals and their communities.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	The high level of donations has continued due to the generosity of our donors which allowed us to provide a similar level of support to the foundations as in previous years. We wanted to liaise effectively with the foundations with a view to winding down the charity in 2025/26, and we have done so.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	We did not run any specific appeals or engage in direct fundraising activity this year, but we continued to enjoy the financial support of both regular and new donors in 2024/25.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	£430 cash held in the bank. The charity ended the period in a very healthy financial position having transferred the balance of funds to the foundations and achieved all its objectives during the year.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<p>The charity maintains a reserve to cover regular costs eg Just Giving subscriptions and website maintenance.</p> <p>Funds are periodically distributed to the three foundations supported by Children of Colombia when a sufficient balance in excess of £500 has accumulated to justify the transfer costs or as requested by the foundations.</p> <p>It is the trustees' stated aim to move funds to the foundations as regularly as possible to maximise the funds available to them.</p> <p>Since the year end, more than £16,174 has been transferred to Natutama, Fenix and Luz y Vida in 2025/26 to date.</p>

Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Policy to maintain reserve of approximately £500. The final reserve at 31 March 2025 was £430 due to timing differences of expenses and donations.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	n/a
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	n/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	<p>At the meeting on Thursday 27 March 2025 Trustees voted unanimously to close the charity Children of Colombia in the 2025/26 year, with major activity due to cease in June 2025 (although final transactions are expected to go through later in the year).</p> <p>The charity continued to receive high levels of financial support from donors and transferred £47,560 to its three nominated educational fundaciones in Colombia in 2024/25 compared with £45,756 in 2023/24 so is happy to end on a high, fulfilling its responsibilities to donors and foundations.</p> <p>Over the past 23 years since it was set up in 2002, Children of Colombia has helped to fund medicines, beds, salaries, books, computers, educational courses and building materials and repairs. The charity is proud to have made a significant difference to the lives of many children and young people in Colombia. It has adhered to the principles of founder Rachel Leighton of keeping overheads to a bare minimum, maintaining regular contact with the organisations in Colombia and monitoring how the money is spent.</p> <p>However, circumstances change and key Trustees are leaving due to pressures of family, work and age. Regular visits to Colombia to monitor how the children are benefiting from the donations are no longer possible. The foundations have also experienced important changes. Some directors are retiring and many of the children are now young adults resulting in the loss of long-established personal contacts.</p> <p>The charity's website and Just Giving pages have been closed in 2025/26. All remaining funds will be distributed and reported to the Charity Commission in the 2025/26 year.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The charity raises funds from the public who contribute chiefly via the charity's Just Giving page or directly to the charity's bank account.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Declaration of Trust
How is the charity constituted? (e.g. unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Trust
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Appointed by the Board

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Children of Colombia
Registered charity number	1095987
Charity's principal address	97 Kingston Road Oxford OX2 6RL

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Ms Kate Seal	Chair		Board of Trustees
2	Mrs Gwyneth Simmons	Secretary/Publicity		
3	Miss Bryony Simmons	Treasurer		
4	Mrs Francisca Sankson			
5	Ms Alex Raikes			
6	Ms Antonia Bonilla			

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	n/a
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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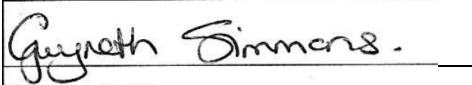
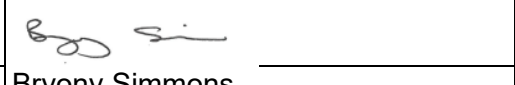
Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Gwyneth Simmons	Bryony Simmons
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Secretary	Treasurer
Date	18/12/2025	18/12/2025



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name Children of Colombia	No (if any) 1095987
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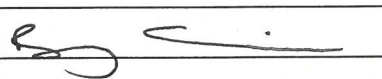
Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/04/2024	To	Period end date 31/03/2025
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	9,109	23,707	-	32,816	36,717
Gift Aid	1,300	1,038	-	2,338	-
Legacy				-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	10,409	24,745	-	35,154	36,717
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	10,409	24,745	-	35,154	36,717
A3 Payments					
Transfers to children's foundations	13,306	34,254	-	47,560	45,300
Website design fees	100	-	-	100	100
Bank transfer fees	245	-	-	245	115
Just Giving fees	216	-	-	216	216
Website hosting	26	-	-	26	25
Ebay charge (refunded)	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	13,893	34,254	-	48,147	45,756
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	13,893	34,254	-	48,147	45,756
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 3,484	- 9,509	-	- 12,993	- 9,039
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	3,956	9,467	-	13,423	22,462
Cash funds this year end	472	42	-	430	13,423

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cleared funds in bank	472	-	42
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	472	-	42
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Bryony Simmons	09/09/2025	

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Children of Colombia

This report on the financial statements of Children of Colombia (the "Charity") for the year ended 31 March 2025 is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the "Act").

Respective responsibilities of the Charity and the examiner

As trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Act. You consider that the audit requirements of section 144 of the Act does not apply. It is my responsibility to issue this report on those financial statements in accordance with the terms of Section 145 of the Act.

Basis of this report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the financial statements with those records. It also includes considering 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the financial statements.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Act, and
 - to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the Act

have not been met; or

- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Signed 

Name NICHOLA MORSE

Address 33 TOWER CLOSE, BASSINGBARN, ROYSTON, SG8 5JX.

Date 13 JANUARY 2026

CHILDREN OF COLOMBIA

England & Wales - Charity number 1095987

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **1/4/2023** Period start date To **31/3/2024** Period end date

Charity name: **Children of Colombia**

Charity registration number: **1095987**

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To raise funds for three recognised and respected organisations providing care and education for impoverished, sick and disadvantaged young people in Colombia.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Funds have been raised by sponsorship, donations and fundraising events organised by donors and by the charity. These funds have been paid out to the specific foundations supported by Children of Colombia which provide support to disadvantaged young people in line with our charity's objectives.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission has been considered by the trustees. No personal benefit is received by the board, as all funds are used for the support of our three carefully chosen foundations, with whom the trustees maintain close contact to monitor developments.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
<p>Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.</p>	<p>Para 1.20</p>	<p>Funds were donated by a combination of regular and one-off donors.</p> <p>Children of Colombia was therefore able to distribute over £45,000 to Fundacion Natutama and Fundacion Social Fenix over the year.</p> <p>Children of Colombia funding continued to help Fundacion Fenix to support vulnerable young women by covering education costs, particularly in the social welfare and health care sectors. Funding has also helped pay for rent, internet and food to keep particularly vulnerable students safe and in touch with the group so that they could receive essential support and mentoring and continue their studies, despite the challenges of their lives in Bogota.</p> <p>After recovering from the effects of the pandemic and floods, Fundacion Natutama once again suffered a reduction in visitor numbers in 2023, this time due to the severe drought in the Amazon. The funding from Children of Colombia was fortunately able to cover some of the financial deficit this has caused. Education programmes and workshops at the centre and in local schools have continued to expand, as has the environmental monitoring and community engagement run by the Fundacion.</p> <p>Hogares Luz y Vida continues to strive to offer the highest standards of professional healthcare in a cheerful, happy environment. They are caring for over 220 children and young people who have mental and physical disabilities, serious and chronic illnesses, and others who have been abandoned or orphaned, including some Venezuelan refugees. They run three homes in Bogota and in the countryside outside the city, and are currently building a new, purpose-built home for chronically ill youngsters in Bogota. They also still provide their own school for residents and nearby children who cannot afford to go to state school. Donations have gone towards wheelchairs, toys, beds and equipment for the children.</p>

		All this work has been supported by the funds raised by Children of Colombia.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	We wanted to maintain the level of support to the foundations while, which we achieved. We also wanted to ensure communication with each of them was both active and effective, and we now have even more engagement with each foundation than previously, particularly with regard to their future plans. In particular, our Secretary Gwyneth Simmons visited all three foundations in November 2023 and was able to see first-hand how they were managing and talk to them about their successes, challenges and hopes for the future.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Although we did not run a specific appeal this year, we continued to receive a high level of donations from regular and new donors. The involvement of new donors this year suggests that our focus on improving our social media presence and sharing news more regularly continues to be successful.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	£13,423
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<p>The charity maintains a reserve to cover regular costs eg JustGiving subscriptions and website maintenance.</p> <p>Funds are periodically distributed to the three foundations supported by Children of Colombia when a sufficient balance in excess of this £500 has accumulated to justify the transfer costs, or as requested by the foundations if necessary.</p> <p>It is the trustees' preference to move funds to the foundations as regularly as possible to maximise the funds available to them. Although we fully paid out the cash balance brought forward from the prior year in 2023-24, the level of donations has happily remained high. The funding from our donors continues to be relied on but until they are requested, it has been deemed better to</p>

		<p>hold them in the UK than to transfer them to Colombia due to the rate of exchange.</p> <p>Since the year end, £32,795 has been transferred to Natutama, Fenix and Luz y Vida in 2024/25 to date.</p>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£500
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	n/a
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	n/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	n/a

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	<p>The charity raises funds from the public, who contribute chiefly via the charity's Just Giving page, or directly to the charity's bank account.</p> <p>Supporters occasionally hold a fundraising event, the proceeds from which are donated to Children of Colombia. The charity itself organises occasional appeals through Just Giving eg the "Save the Amazon Education Centre" for Natutama in 2021-22.</p>
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Declaration of trust
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Trust
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Appointed by the Board

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Children of Colombia
Registered charity number	1095987
Charity's principal address	97 Kingston Road, Oxford, OX2 6RL

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Ms Kate Seal	Chairman		Board of Trustees
2	Mrs Gwyneth Simmons	Secretary/Publicity		
3	Miss Bryony Simmons	Treasurer		
4	Mrs Francisca Sankson			
5	Miss Alex Raikes			
6	Ms Antonia Bonilla Mora			

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	n/a
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
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Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

n/a

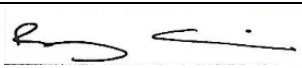
Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Bryony Simmons	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	
Date	2/1/2025	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Children of Colombia

No (if any)
1095987

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 01/04/2023	To	Period end date 31/03/2024
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	15,903	20,814	-	36,717	26,163
Gift Aid	-	-	-	-	1,127
Legacy	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	15,903	20,814	-	36,717	27,290
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	15,903	20,814	-	36,717	27,290
A3 Payments					
Transfers to children's foundations	20,165	25,135	-	45,300	16,330
Website design fees	100	-	-	100	100
Bank transfer fees	115	-	-	115	70
Just Giving fees	216	-	-	216	216
Website hosting	25	-	-	25	-
Ebay charge (refunded)	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	20,621	25,135	-	45,756	16,716
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	20,621	25,135	-	45,756	16,716
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 4,718	- 4,321	-	- 9,039	10,574
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	22,462	11,888
A6 Cash funds last year end	8,674	13,788	-	13,423	22,462
Cash funds this year end	3,956	9,467	-	-	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cleared funds in bank	3,956	9,467	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	3,956	9,467	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))				


Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Bryony Simmons	02/01/2025

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Children of Colombia

This report on the financial statements of Children of Colombia (the "Charity") for the year ended 31 March 2024 is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the "Act").

Respective responsibilities of the Charity and the examiner

As trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Act. You consider that the audit requirements of section 144 of the Act does not apply. It is my responsibility to issue this report on those financial statements in accordance with the terms of Section 145 of the Act.

Basis of this report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the financial statements with those records. It also includes considering 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the financial statements.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Act, and
 - to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the Act

have not been met; or

- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Signed



Name STUART ALLEN, FCCA, DIRECTOR, THE FOSSEWAY PRACTICE LIMITED

Address OFFICE 3, BATSFORD ESTATE, BATSFORD, MORETON IN MARSH, GL56 9QF

Date 14 JANUARY 2025

CHILDREN OF COLOMBIA

England & Wales - Charity number 1095987

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **1/4/2022** Period start date To **31/3/2023** Period end date

Charity name: **Children of Colombia**

Charity registration number: **1095987**

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To raise funds for three recognised and respected organisations providing care and education for impoverished, sick and disadvantaged young people in Colombia.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Funds have been raised by sponsorship, donations and fundraising events organised by donors and by the charity. These funds have been paid out to the specific foundations supported by Children of Colombia which provide support to disadvantaged young people in line with our charity's objectives.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission has been considered by the trustees. No personal benefit is received by the board, as all funds are used for the support of our three carefully chosen foundations, with whom the trustees maintain close contact to monitor developments.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
<p>Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.</p>	<p>Para 1.20</p>	<p>Funds were donated by a combination of regular and one-off donors.</p> <p>Children of Colombia was therefore able to distribute over £16,000 to Fundacion Natutama and Fundacion Social Fenix over the year.</p> <p>Children of Colombia funding has helped Fundacion Fenix to support vulnerable young women and fund education costs, particularly in the social welfare and health care sectors. The girls at Fenix continue to face a number of issues following the Covid 19 pandemic: terrible weather, floods and rocketing street crime, on top of a sharply rising cost of living and decreased opportunities. Funding has helped pay for rent, internet and food to keep particularly vulnerable students safe and in touch with the group so that they could receive essential support and mentoring and continue their studies, with some very high grades and graduations despite the challenges.</p> <p>Because of the pandemic, Fundacion Natutama received almost no visitor income in 2020-2022, and Children of Colombia was fortunately able to supply some of the deficit. The work to renovate the visitor centre roundhouse which was supported by CoC's Christmas appeal last year has now been completed, so the education and conservation work hosted there can continue. Visitor numbers have recovered, with 4000 visitors to the new centre, and education programmes at the centre and in local schools have been revitalised. There are plans to expand these further next year, with CoC's financial support.</p> <p>Hogares Luz y Vida continues to strive to offer the highest standards of professional healthcare in a cheerful, happy environment. They are caring for over 220 children and young people who have mental and physical disabilities, serious and chronic illnesses, and others who have been abandoned or orphaned, including some Venezuelan refugees. They run three homes in Bogota and in the countryside outside the city, and are currently building a new, purpose-built</p>

		<p>home for chronically ill youngsters in Bogota.</p> <p>All this work has been supported by the funds raised by Children of Colombia.</p>
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	We wanted to maintain the level of support to the foundations while they go through a time of change, which we achieved. We also wanted to ensure communication with each of them was both active and effective, and we now have even more engagement with each foundation than previously, particularly with regard to their future plans.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Although we did not run a specific appeal this year, we continued to receive a high level of donations from regular and new donors. Alex Raikes raised £1000 through participation in the Noosa Triathlon, and Becky Ruttenberg raised over £850 by walking and cycling 100km. We have also had an unusually high number of new donors this year, which suggests that our focus on improving our social media presence and sharing news more regularly may have been fruitful.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	£22,462
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<p>The charity maintains a reserve to cover regular costs eg JustGiving subscriptions and website maintenance.</p> <p>Funds are periodically distributed to the three foundations supported by Children of Colombia when a sufficient balance in excess of this £500 has accumulated to justify the transfer costs, or as requested by the foundations if necessary.</p> <p>It is the trustees' preference to move funds to the foundations as regularly as possible to maximise the funds available to them. Although we fully paid out the cash balance brought forward from the prior year in 2022-23, the level of donations has happily remained high</p>

		<p>while the residual impact of the Covid-19 pandemic and flooding affected the work of the foundations significantly, particularly Natutama. The funds are needed more than ever but we were asked to continue to hold some of them in reserve until they could be distributed effectively as staff return and work resumes. It continued to be deemed better to hold them in the UK than transfer them to Colombia due to the less than optimal rate of exchange.</p> <p>Since the year end, £45,300 has been transferred to Natutama, Fenix and Luz y Vida in 2023/24 to date.</p>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£500
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	n/a
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	n/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	n/a

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	<p>The charity raises funds from the public, who contribute chiefly via the charity's Just Giving page, or directly to the charity's bank account.</p> <p>Supporters occasionally hold a fundraising event, the proceeds from which are donated to Children of Colombia. The charity itself organises occasional appeals through Just Giving eg the "Save the Amazon Education Centre" for Natutama in 2021-22.</p>
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Declaration of trust
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Trust
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Additional information (optional)

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The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Children of Colombia
Registered charity number	1095987
Charity's principal address	97 Kingston Road, Oxford, OX2 6RL

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Ms Kate Seal	Chairman		Board of Trustees
2	Mrs Gwyneth Simmons	Secretary/Publicity		
3	Miss Bryony Simmons	Treasurer		
4	Mrs Francisca Sankson			
5	Miss Alex Raikes			
6	Ms Antonia Bonilla Mora			

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	n/a
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

n/a

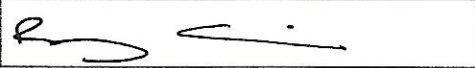
Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Bryony Simmons	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	
Date	7/1/2024	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name Children of Colombia	No (if any) 1095987
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/04/2022	To	Period end date 31/03/2023
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	7,605	18,558	-	26,163	17,998
Gift Aid	1,098	29	-	1,127	2,234
Legacy				-	2,000
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	8,703	18,587	-	27,290	22,232
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	8,703	18,587	-	27,290	22,232
A3 Payments					
Transfers to children's foundations	11,531	4,799	-	16,330	36,050
Website design fees	100	-	-	100	-
Bank transfer fees	70	-	-	70	210
Just Giving fees	216	-	-	216	216
Website hosting	-	-	-	-	-
Ebay charge (refunded)	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	11,917	4,799	-	16,716	36,476
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	11,917	4,799	-	16,716	36,476
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 3,214	13,788	-	10,574	- 14,244
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	11,888	-	-	11,888	26,132
Cash funds this year end	8,674	13,788	-	22,462	11,888

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cleared funds in bank	8,674	13,788	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	8,674	13,788	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			

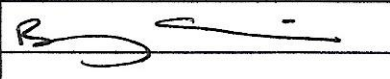
	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Bryony Simmons	07/01/2024

CHILDREN OF COLOMBIA

England & Wales - Charity number 1095987

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **1/4/2020** Period start date To **31/3/2021** Period end date

Charity name: **Children of Colombia**

Charity registration number: **1095987**

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To raise funds for three recognised and respected organisations providing care and education for impoverished, sick and disadvantaged children in Colombia.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Funds have been raised by sponsorship, donations and fundraising events organised by donors and by the charity. Funds have been paid out to the specific foundations supported by Children of Colombia which provide support to disadvantaged young people in line with our charity's objectives.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission has been considered by the trustees. No personal benefit is received by the board, as all funds are used for the support of our three carefully chosen foundations, with whom the trustees maintain close contact to monitor developments.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	

Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.

Para 1.20

Funds were donated by a combination of regular and one-off donors, including two legacies, giving the highest value of receipts in the last ten years of the charity's history.

Children of Colombia has therefore been able to distribute almost £23,000 to Fundacion Natutama, Fundacion Social Fenix, and Hogares Luz y Vida over the year.

Children of Colombia funding has helped Fundacion Fenix to support vulnerable young women and help fund education costs, particularly in the social welfare and health care sectors. It has also helped alleviate the additional problems caused by the Covid 19 pandemic. Apart from illness – many students and their families were infected – lockdowns increased the levels of domestic violence and isolation from support groups. Funding helped pay for rent, internet and food to keep particularly vulnerable students safe and in touch with the group so they could receive essential support and mentoring and continue their studies.

Children of Colombia responded to an urgent appeal to provide equipment and medicines in the Puerto Narino area of the Amazon. The isolated area – where Natutama is based – suffered very badly from the Covid-19 pandemic with a very high rate of infection and many deaths as well as hunger caused by the collapse of tourism. Children of Colombia set up an appeal on Just Giving which raised funds to send six shipments of medical material and to distribute food to dozens of families without resources.

"I want to express to all my sincere gratitude for your donations that contributed so much to meeting urgent needs at a critical moment," (Kilyam, a qualified nurse working in the region and a member of the Fenix education programme.)

Hogares Luz y Vida has been able to maintain its care for severely disadvantaged children in Bogota, Colombia. Many of these suffer from major health problems and trauma, and most require a lifetime of care. Covid 19 greatly increased the difficulties of providing high levels of professional

		<p>health care to these particularly vulnerable young people during lockdown. Children of Colombia responded to an appeal for new specialist hospital beds which will improve the quality of life for some of the young people in their care.</p> <p>All this work has been supported by the funds raised by Children of Colombia.</p>
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	Ran 2 successful Just Giving campaigns rather than 1 set as objective for the year
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Both campaigns exceeded expectations. The Amazon Appeal had no set target but raised £621.99 + Gift Aid. The Bed Appeal raised just over £3,000 (including Gift Aid, excluding Just Giving fees) far exceeding the original target of £725.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	£26,133
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<p>The charity maintains a reserve to cover regular costs eg JustGiving subscriptions and website maintenance.</p> <p>Funds are periodically distributed to the three foundations supported by Children of Colombia when a sufficient balance in excess of this £500 has accumulated to justify the transfer costs.</p> <p>It is our preference to move funds to the foundations as regularly as possible, to maximise the funds available to them. During the year 2020-21 however, a number of circumstances combined to leave a higher than usual balance at the end of the year. Partly this was due to the high level of donations in the year, particularly the £13,650 of legacies received. Additionally the Covid-19 pandemic affected the work of the foundations significantly. The funds are needed more than ever but we have been asked to hold them in reserve until they can be distributed effectively as staff return and work resumes. It is better to hold them in the UK than transfer them to Colombia at present due to the less than optimal rate of exchange.</p> <p>£14,000 has been transferred to Natutama and Luz y Vida in 2021/22 to date. Further transfers will continue to be made at the request of the foundations.</p>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£500
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	n/a
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	n/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	n/a

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	Para 1.47	The charity raises funds from the public, who contribute chiefly via the charity's
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<p>The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)</p>		<p>Just Giving page, or directly to the charity's bank account. Donations from individuals and organisations are the charity's main source of funds. These may include proceeds from fundraising events on the charity's behalf and occasionally legacies. The charity itself organised two appeals through Just Giving in 2020-21: an Amazon Covid-19 campaign, and a specialist bed appeal for Luz y Vida.</p>
<p>Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted</p>	<p>Para 1.46</p>	
<p>A description of the principal risks facing the charity</p>	<p>Para 1.46</p>	
<p>Other</p>		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Declaration of trust
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Trust
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Appointed by the Board

Additional information (optional)

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Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

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Registered charity number	1095987
Charity's principal address	97 Kingston Road, Oxford, OX2 6RL

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	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
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5	Miss Alex Raikes			
6	Ms Antonia Bonilla Mora			

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	n/a
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

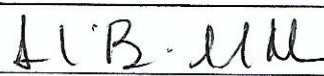
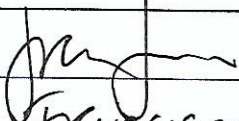
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Other optional information

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Antonia Bonilla Mora	FRANCISCA SEWKSON
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	Trustee.
Date	22 / 01 / 2022.	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Children of Colombia

No (if any)
1095987

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/04/2020	To	Period end date 31/03/2021
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	26,713	-	-	26,713	13,524
Legacy	13,650	-	-	13,650	-
Gift Aid	1,070	-	-	1,070	605
Bank interest	-	-	-	-	2
Bank charges refund	-	-	-	-	3
Ebay charge refund	62	-	-	62	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	41,495	-	-	41,495	14,133
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	41,495	-	-	41,495	14,133
A3 Payments					
Transfers to children's foundations	22,825	-	-	22,825	6,997
Website design fees	450	-	-	450	-
Bank transfer fees	245	-	-	245	105
Just Giving fees	216	-	-	216	216
Website hosting	101	-	-	101	288
Ebay charge (refunded)	62	-	-	62	-
Sub total	23,899	-	-	23,899	7,606
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	23,899	-	-	23,899	7,606
Net of receipts/(payments)	17,596	-	-	17,596	6,527
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	8,536	-	-	8,536	2,009
Cash funds this year end	26,132	-	-	26,132	8,536

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cleared funds in bank	26,132	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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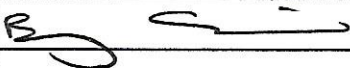
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B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Bryony Simmons	16/01/2022

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J W W Stevens FCA TEP
Dryer Barn, Stoke Doyle, Northamptonshire PE8 5TB

Date: 27 January 2022

