

Children for Christ England

Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st December 2021

The Trustees are pleased to present their report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2021.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity Number 1099276

Principal Address 1 Watermead Road, Portsmouth, PO6 1LL

Trustees

The trustees serving during the year and since the year-end were as follows:

Rachel Davis – Resigned February 2022

Val White

John McHardy

Philip Mansfield

Alison Mansfield

David Jack – Deceased Oct-21

Treasurer David Ferries

Secretary Val White

Objectives and Activities

The objects of the charity are:

- to advance the religious education of children (and, in particular but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, children in Romania) in accordance with the doctrine and principles of the Christian faith, including by means of Sunday schools and Bible clubs and otherwise;
- to advance the education (including the social and physical training) of children (and, in particular but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, children in Romania)
- to relieve children (and, in particular but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, children in Romania) who are in conditions of need, hardship or distress by reason of their social and economic circumstances or who are suffering from illness, disease or disability; and.

- to advance such other exclusively charitable purposes for the benefit of children (and, in particular but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, children in Romania) as the Trustees shall see fit.

Achievements and Performance

The charity seeks to achieve these objectives by its close work with Copii pentru Cristos ("CpC Romania"), a Romanian registered charity, by raising funds and other aid to support the work of CpC Romania. This is achieved through the delivery of regular newsletters to a large number of supporters in England and Northern Ireland to keep them updated and interested in the work. This, together with occasional presentation visits to churches by Trustees, does prompt financial support and camp visitor interest. In the UK Children for Christ England ("CfC England"), together with its team of supporters in Northern Ireland, has continued to work closely with its sister charity, Children for Christ Scotland (CfC Scotland"). CfC Scotland is a charity registered in Scotland with similar aims, namely to support the work of CpC Romania and Copii Pentru Hristos, Moldova. In this financial year grants totalling £33,000 were sent to CpC Romania. £24,700 as annual support to assist in the costs of holiday camps, bible study materials, leaders training packs. A grant of £2,700 was sent in March 2021 and a further £22,000 in November 2021. A further £8,300 grant specifically for the necessary roof repairs to the main building was sent in March 2021.

Due to the enforced travel restrictions in place because of the COVID pandemic there were no Trustee and or supporter visits to Varifurile in the reporting year.

Where requested the English charity will share its experience of the Romanian camp site with visiting teams but the responsibility for the visit remains entirely with the leaders of the visiting teams. Whilst not organising the teams the charity does seek to co-ordinate the visits so as not to overload the Romanian campsite with too many volunteers at any one time.

CfC Scotland collects, sorts and pack good quality second hand clothing and household items. Our team of supporters in Northern Ireland undertakes similar work. Each Spring, together with CfC Scotland, a lorry is organised to collect the boxes of clothing together with any other aid that has been donated. This is then transported to the site in Romania. CpC Romania gives some to needy local families and also sells some locally to raise funds to support the work, whilst other aid is used directly in the running or development of the campsite. The cost of the transportation of these goods is shared equally between CfC England and CfC Scotland and in this financial year the transportation costs borne by each charity was £3,597.

The UK exit from the EU caused issues with the aid consignment sent in April 2021. The aid lorry was held by Romanian customs until the EU import tax was paid on the goods. This had a significant financial impact on both the demurrage costs of the transport for the UK and the customs duty paid for by Copii Pentru Cristos in Romania. Significant changes have been implemented by CfC Scotland as to how we now manage and send aid to minimise the impact of these customs checks and where practicable to have the customs duties paid in advance.

Financial Review

Fund raising is mainly carried out through visits to churches, which have personal links with the trustees and other personal efforts of the trustees.

During the year the trustees have continued to seek to raise funds by promoting the work through regular newsletters to supporters and through a range of fund raising initiatives as well as encouraging supporters to make regular donations. A team of dedicated supporters in Northern Ireland continue to play a vital role in assisting with the fund raising.

As a small charity the income is very dependent upon the efforts of the individual trustees and supporters to publicise the work of the charity. As a result income is expected to fluctuate significantly from one year to the next. With that in mind the funds raised during 2021 were acceptable.

Plans for Future Periods

Together with CfC Scotland and the team in Northern Ireland it is our intention to continue to raise support for the on-going work in Romania and to support the leaders in Romania practically, financially and through prayer.

The ongoing promotion of the work by visits to interested churches will continue together with regular mailing to individual supporters. Other fund raising ideas are to be investigated throughout the coming year. We are also preparing for the deputation visit of the team from Romania in the latter part of 2022.

Initial investigations to the potential amalgamation of the trusteeships across Scotland and England and bringing in the team in Northern Ireland more formally showed that the present structure currently serves each charity satisfactorily in their geographical area. However, should the amalgamation of the England and Scotland charities prove to be more beneficial to the work in Romania then that would then be considered at that time.

Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

The trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enables them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2000).

The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets for the charity and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

By Order of the Trustees



John McHardy

Chairman of the Trustees

25th July 2022

CHILDREN FOR CHRIST (ENGLAND) - CHARITY NUMBER 1099276
SUMMARY OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE - 2021

	31-Dec-21	31-Dec-20
Balance Brought Forward at 1 January	17,559.02	19,643.68
Income - See Table 1		
General Donations	11,916.50	13,403.16
Restricted Donations	25,336.25	0.00
Fundraising	0.00	69.25
Gift Aid Tax Reclaim	49.96	2,216.59
Interest	0.71	2.49
Deputation Income	0.00	1,616.90
	37,303.42	17,308.39
General Expenditure - See Table 2		
Postage	224.40	305.46
Insurance	0.00	568.07
Bank charges	30.00	15.00
Fundraising expense	0.00	0.00
Trustees Travel	0.00	350.23
Miscellaneous Administration	0.00	3489.09
Stationery	0.00	32.39
Transport	3,597.00	1,770.00
Deputation Expenses	0.00	862.81
	(3,851.40)	(7,393.05)
Donations sent to Romania - See Table 3		
Equipment	8,300.00	0.00
Camp / Travel Food	0.00	0.00
Children's Camp fees	0.00	0.00
Specific Support Casa Harry	0.00	0.00
Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00
General Support	24,700.00	12,000.00
Volunteer grant	0.00	0.00
Transport	0.00	0.00
	(33,000.00)	(12,000.00)
Receipts over Expenditure	452.02	(2,084.66)
Balance Carried Forward at 31 December	18,011.04	17,559.02
Lloyds Current Account	6,563.78	7,211.47
Lloyds Deposit Account	7,005.81	7,005.10
Barclays NI Account	4,441.45	3,342.45
Balance Carried Forward	18,011.04	17,559.02

Approved by the Management Committee on 25/7/2022

and signed on its behalf by:-

Chairperson: 

Treasurer: 

The accounts of the charity Children for Christ (England) have been checked by me and found to be in agreement with the books, records and other explanations provided.

Signature: 

Date: 24/8/22

Name: LESLIE MOORE

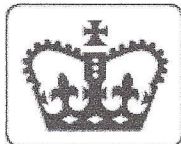
Qualification: Retired Accountant

CHILDREN FOR CHRIST (ENGLAND) - CHARITY NUMBER 1099276
BALANCE SHEET - 2021

		31-Dec-21	31-Dec-20
Balance at Bank	Lloyds Current Account	6,563.78	7,211.47
	Lloyds Deposit Account	7,005.81	7,005.10
	Barclays Current Account	4,441.45	3,342.45
Petty Cash	England	0.00	0.00
	N Ireland	0.00	0.00
Other Assets		0.00	0.00
Other Liabilities		0.00	0.00
Net Assets		18,011.04	17,559.02
General Reserves	England	6,569.59	7,216.57
General Reserves	N. Ireland	2,941.45	3,342.45
Specified Reserves	Romania Camp	1,500.00	0.00
	Camp Fees	0.00	0.00
	Casa Harry	0.00	0.00
	General	7,000.00	7,000.00
		18,011.04	17,559.02

The accounts of the charity Children for Christ (England) have been checked by me and found to be in agreement with the books, records and other explanations provided.

Signature: Leslie Moore Date: 24/8/22
 Name: LESLIE MOORE
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 Qualification: Retired Accountant



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Children for Christ (England)

On accounts for the year
ended

31st December 2021

Charity no
(if any) 1099276

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2021.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

Signed:

Date:

24th August 2022

Name:

Leslie A Moore

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

Retired accountant

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