

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024  
FOR  
SOLACE SURVIVING EXILE AND PERSECUTION**

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### REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

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#### TRUSTEES

Professor G M S Craig (resigned 6/12/23)  
C Follin  
P Gayford  
J C Habib (Chair) (resigned 31/12/23)  
A Khattab (resigned 18/9/23)  
C Reid (resigned 3/1/24)  
Mrs L Ward (resigned 28/6/24)  
E Goodwin (Chair from 1/1/24)  
L Bolton (appointed 25/3/24)  
P H Coltman (appointed 6/12/23)  
A Temple-Smith (resigned 1/7/24)  
Dr D Agoro (appointed 2/7/24)  
C O'Brien (appointed 2/7/24)  
N Moran (appointed 2/7/24)

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A Burghraef (Clinical Director)

## **SOLACE SURVIVING EXILE AND PERSECUTION**

### **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024**

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This year SOLACE has borne witness to the profoundly negative impact of the governments Illegal Migration and the Safety of Rwanda Acts on individuals who used our services. We have seen how these 'hostile environment' policies have led to a significant increase in people being fearful and anxious with subsequent negative impacts on their mental health. These rising concerns have been discussed throughout our board meetings with an agreement in March to publish a SOLACE statement on the situation. We have also joined coalitions believing in and campaigning for more compassionate approaches to refugees such as 'Together with Refugees' and 'Asylum Matters'.

Despite a tough economic climate with funding opportunities becoming more and more challenging, we're proud of what we've achieved as an organisation. Examples of work we have undertaken includes:

- Over 6300 therapy sessions delivered to more than 700 people.
- Farsi Speaking Mens, online Women's, Stress management, drama, music therapy and wellbeing groups.
- 11 training courses delivered to professionals across the region.
- Over 1000 people undertaking our e-learning courses.

Feedback from clients about their experience of SOLACE services continues to be excellent which is testament to the great work, skills and compassionate approach of our staff.

I'd like to thank all our fabulous staff - the managers, administrators, clinicians and volunteers, who provide essential therapeutic support for traumatised refugees at an individual, group and system level. A big thank you must also go to Kathryn our CEO for her continued brilliance in leading SOLACE and Anne as our Clinical Director in setting the continued standard of excellence and development of best practice in supporting this client group. A thank you must also go to our trustees for their support to ensure we deliver SOLACE's mission, use our resources wisely and strive to achieve the biggest impact we can.

This has been an extremely challenging year for the people we work with. As we move forward to a new year, we continue to commit to alleviating the suffering of refugees and people seeking asylum as we have done for the last twenty years.

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The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

#### OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

##### Objectives and aims

The main objective of the charity is to provide support to alleviate the distress and suffering of refugees and asylum seekers in the Yorkshire and Humberside region.

Refugees fleeing persecution arriving in our region face many challenges and Solace was established specifically to address their mental health needs and support their emotional wellbeing. The people we work with have experienced multiple losses, of home, family, culture, status and employment among other things. Many have endured torture or witnessed violence against their family members or their close community. Their journey to the UK can take many years and when they arrive they continue to face disbelief, hostility and many barriers to accessing support. As a result, refugees are often highly stressed and are much more likely than the general population to suffer from mental and physical illnesses.

Some of the stories of our clients are bravely demonstrated in videos on our website and in our online training. <https://www.solace-uk.org.uk/what-they-say/films>

<https://www.solace-uk.org.uk/training/new-free-e-learning>

To achieve our charitable purpose, Solace provides a range of services, and works as holistically as possible to support the people referred to us. We are well known in the region, and work closely with a number of partners both formally and informally to try and meet the multiple and complex needs of refugees.

Specifically we provide:

- Talking therapies for individuals, families and children
- Pain management therapy
- Group work
- Training and consultancy to other organisations to help them understand the mental health of refugees and asylum seekers
- Resources and videos in different languages to help refugees and asylum seekers.

Solace has two main strategic aims, to deliver transformative therapeutic support to people fleeing persecution, and to improve other services and systems so refugees are better able to access support and flourish in their community. We are very aware of the hostility faced by refugees in the UK, and during the year to March 2024 the policy of sending people arriving in the UK to Rwanda without hearing their claim for asylum had a particular impact on people's level of fear and distress. We are very relieved that this plan has now been abandoned; however as the recent racist violence demonstrated, there is still much hostility, confusion and misinformation circulating which has a direct impact on the wellbeing of refugees and consequently on the increased need for our specialist services.

Solace is committed to providing a place of welcome and safety where individuals and their achievements are celebrated. It is always very moving when people who have used our services choose to share important milestones with us, whether this is a family celebration, obtaining refugee status, getting a job or something else. We occasionally become aware of someone's birthday or exam success, for example, and we mark the occasion with them in a small way, knowing that often there is nobody else that knows, or can share the moment with them.

Isolation and loneliness remain a big difficulty for many of our clients. We are pleased that our groupwork programme has increased this year, with more than double the number of people being able to attend a group compared to the previous year. Attendees tell us that they learn a lot from each other and enjoy the experience of being in a safe environment with people who may have experienced similar things to them. This has been particularly noticeable in our Farsi Speaking Men's Group where our therapist has skilfully enabled trust to be developed so the men feel able to share their stories and support each other in dealing with very difficult life circumstances.

The Trustees have considered the guidance issued by the Charity Commissioner regarding "public benefit" and plan activities in line with this guidance.

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#### ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

##### Charitable activities

During the year 728 people attended a therapy appointment and 260 people attended a group session. The number of referrals we receive continues to increase, with 705 referrals being received throughout the year.

Each year we carry out a brief survey of all clients attending appointments during a 2 week period. This showed us that 49% of respondents rated Solace as 10 / 10 when asked if we had a positive effect on them and 77% said our impact was 7 or above.

We received many positive comments, for example:

Solace's sessions have been very good for me and in many ways helped me and I have learnt many new things. I appreciate it.

I offer my heartiest gratitude for Solace. Saved my life, which was due fade away.

My experience working with Solace is incredible, I believe I am gaining the necessary coping mechanisms and strategies to embrace and empower me throughout my journey of healing and recovery

Solace has changed my life

Connecting body pain and emotional pain helped a lot. You're a wonderful service.

Good knowledgeable service provider. Solace is the best service across Leeds & Bradford. Mr Paul and Mr. Nick helped and supported me very genuinely and honestly.

Solace highly knowledgeable service provider for human trafficking victims. I highly recommend solace service to the victims of modern slavery.

We use Core 10 to help us assess the difference we have made and last year 77% of the people who completed 2 or more measures had made improvements to their emotional wellbeing. Considering the high levels of distress and complex life situations people face this level of improvement is remarkable. It is a testament to the skill of our therapists and the dedication of all our team in creating a place that feels safe enough to begin the process of recovery or healing.

Our staff and volunteers are highly skilled and come from a range of training backgrounds. We have a variety of different roles making up our team including reception and welcoming, shiatsu massage, talking therapy, medicine reviewing, music therapy, group support, clinical supervision, delivery of training and operational management. Each role is vitally important as we work together to deliver an effective service which makes a real difference to people.

We were delighted to be able to secure some funding to enable us to develop our own learning platform this year which means that many more people can access our free e-learning courses. We know that over 1,000 people have completed the first course which is a huge step forward in our aspiration to share our knowledge and upskill other helping professionals to better meet the needs of asylum seekers and refugees. We were very grateful to the British Association for Counselling and Psychotherapy for undertaking a review of the impact of the course which was very encouraging in it's findings.

"Solace 'E-Learning for All Helping Professionals' is a valuable training resource for anyone working with asylum seekers and refugees".

"Completion of the course has altered respondents' attitudes and approaches to working with refugees and asylum seekers and many respondents intend to make meaningful changes to their practice going forward based on what they have learnt."

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#### FINANCIAL REVIEW

##### Financial position

Solace's income and expenditure increased from the previous year as we delivered more activities. After making a deficit last year we are pleased to be able to report a surplus this year which helps us become more sustainable. Most of our funding is annually renewable which puts us at significant financial risk. The trustees have spent time this year considering the level of reserves we should aim to hold so we are able to make redundancies, or restructure as and when short term funding comes to an end.

We are grateful for a number of funders who supported us through the year, including AB Charitable Trust, National Lottery Community Fund and Henry Smith Charity and we are very grateful for the continued support of a number of individuals who commit to regular giving to support our work.

Our largest sources of funding continue to be Local Authorities and Integrated Care Boards throughout the region. This means we are able to provide a service throughout the whole of Yorkshire and Humber, although what we are able to provide varies in each area.

Our largest item of expenditure continues to be salaries, and as Solace has grown, we have been moving towards having a "core team" of therapists who are skilled and experienced. Retention of these key personnel is important so that we can fulfil contract and grant requirements and provide our support to as many people as possible. This increases the risk due to the nature of our short term funding and we began the year with a forecast deficit; however we now have a highly skilled team who are working flexibly to meet the needs of the refugee community.

Our forecast for the next financial year is for a break-even position with some new funding required to cover existing salaries. Each of our statutory funders have made us aware of the financial pressures they face, but have indicated their intention in principle to continue to support our work although possibly to a reduced level.

##### Reserves policy

The Trustees have reviewed our reserves policy this year given the risks of short term funding, and the increasing amount of potential redundancy costs if we need to reduce the scale of our service delivery.

Solace's reserves policy states that "we aim to hold free reserves which can be used to meet short term cash flow difficulties, meet any unforeseen expenditure and wind up the charity, if necessary, in a planned manner meeting all legal requirements".

Our main expenditure item is salary payments which amount to approximately £75,000 per month including NI and pension costs. The only significant item of expenditure which is fixed and not directly related to the amount of work we do is our premises in Leeds, we have 22 months remaining as at April 2024.

The Trustees are confident that the risk of all funding streams ending at the same time or without notice is very low. With appropriate reserves in place, we therefore feel we have time to make changes necessary to remain financially viable, or wind up in a planned manner. The Trustees consider that we should have sufficient funds in reserve to enable us to pay staff for at least 3 months, pay necessary redundancy costs and end lease obligations.

The Trustees consider that we do not need to hold the full amount of redundancy and lease obligations in free reserves because we do not believe that we would need to pay this amount at the same time. Given the need to balance service delivery alongside prudent levels of free reserves our policy states that we aim to hold £271,000 in reserves which is the cost of 3 months salaries, plus 25% of our total lease £85,000 and redundancy obligations (£100,000).

At the end of the financial year we had a total of £279,223 in free reserves. £20,000 of this is due to an unrestricted grant being received towards the end of the financial year which will be used in the year to March 2025.

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#### **FUTURE PLANS**

We are committed to continuing our specialist service throughout the region, and to the activities above. We are currently working on translating and recording our "helpful resources for refugees" videos into more languages and aim to have 8 languages available on our website in the first half of 2024-25. We have approximately 20 different videos available so this is a considerable piece of work but is much needed. Our resources are based on what our clients have told us they find helpful and are aimed directly at people who are fleeing persecution. We are grateful to our clients for helping to shape this work.

We continue to develop and expand our training offer by preparing more of our therapists to deliver courses and workshops and through developing new materials. Currently we are working on a specific course for trainee GPs.

Our vision to introduce Refugee Mental Health Champions remains our long term aspiration and we are working closely with ICBs throughout the region to find ways to move closer to this vision.

#### **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

##### **Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and constitutes a company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006. The company was formed on the 14<sup>th</sup> April 2003 and registered as a charity on 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2004.

Solace's objects read:

"The objects of the Company shall be to alleviate the sickness, distress and suffering of refugees, asylum seekers and other displaced persons in the United Kingdom and particularly in the Yorkshire and Humber region ("the area of benefit"), in particular those suffering from mental health problems or emotional difficulties, by providing a range of services including but not limited to therapeutic interventions, advocacy, training and opportunities for social support with the object of improving the life of said persons."

##### **Recruitment and appointment of new trustees**

Solace advertises for trustees in a variety of ways, including information on its website, word of mouth and through Solace's Anti-discrimination & Inclusion sub-committee. There is an application form for potential trustees. When someone shows interest in becoming a trustee, they meet with two current trustees to discuss what is involved in more detail and the current trustees then bring the application to the Board. The Board of Trustees takes into account the need for a range of skills and experience to be represented to ensure effective management and the desirability of achieving diversity within the membership, particularly with regard to individual experiences, gained either through personal life experience, or through professional work background. The Trustees also reflect on the balance of gender, ethnicity and age.

The degree of training and support given to new trustees is dependent on a number of factors; for instance, how well they know Solace, how well they already understand the roles and responsibilities of a trustee, how much they know about the problems facing refugees and asylum seekers, and so on.

##### **Constitutional provisions regarding trustees**

Solace's Articles of Association require the automatic retirement of officers and longer-serving trustees at the AGM. Those so retired can be asked to continue serving. However, all trustees are required to resign after 6 years in post. They can rejoin the Board if they are asked and at least 12 months have passed.



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#### **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

##### **Decision making**

The Board meets at least quarterly, either in person or on zoom. This makes it easier for people who live at some distance from Leeds and those with other commitments to attend. Papers (including the minutes of sub-committees) are circulated in advance and minutes circulated afterwards.

There are three sub-committees that report to the Board: the Management committee, the Clinical committee and the Anti-discrimination & Inclusion committee. Trustees usually attend at least one of these. Both the Clinical and Anti-discrimination & Inclusion committees have knowledgeable non-trustee members to help the Board understand issues and make better decisions. The Board of Trustees signs off all formal Solace policies, makes decisions about acceptable levels of risk, and formally agrees significant new initiatives. Certain bank transactions must be authorised by a Trustee and expenditure over £7,000 must be approved by the Board. Day to day activities are delegated to staff.

A trustee is usually involved in the appointment of senior staff but not with the appointment of the majority of staff. Staff salaries are tied to external salary scales.

#### **STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES**

The trustees (who are also the directors of Solace Surviving Exile and Persecution for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

In so far as the trustees are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditors are unaware; and
- the trustees have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information.

#### **AUDITORS**

The auditors, Thomas Coombs Limited, will be proposed for re-appointment at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

E Goodwin - Trustee

## REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF SOLACE SURVIVING EXILE AND PERSECUTION

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### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Solace Surviving Exile and Persecution (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 31st March 2024 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31st March 2024 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

### Other information

The trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the financial statements and our Report of the Independent Auditors thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

### Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Report of the Trustees for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Report of the Trustees has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

## **REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF SOLACE SURVIVING EXILE AND PERSECUTION**

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### **Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Report of the Trustees.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the trustees were not entitled to take advantage of the small companies exemption from the requirement to prepare a Strategic Report or in preparing the Report of the Trustees.

### **Responsibilities of trustees**

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities, the trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

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### Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue a Report of the Independent Auditors that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

Based on our understanding of the entity and industries in which it operates, we identified the principal risks of non-compliance with laws and regulations related to the application of charitable funds and data protection. We also considered those laws and regulations that have a direct impact on the preparation of the financial statements such as the Charities Act 2011.

We assessed the susceptibility of the company's financial statements to material misstatement and how fraud might occur, including through discussions with the directors, discussions within our audit team planning meeting, updating our record of internal controls, and ensuring these controls operated as intended. We determined the principal risks were related to posting journal entries to manipulate profits, and management bias in accounting estimates, especially accrued and deferred income.

To address the risk of fraud through management bias and override of controls, we:

- Performed analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships.
- Identified and tested journal entries and identified any significant transactions that were unusual or outside the normal course of business.
- Investigated the rationale behind significant or unusual transactions.
- Challenged assumptions and judgements made by management in determining significant accounting estimates, in particular in relation to accrued and deferred income.

In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations, we designed audit procedures which included, but were not limited to:

- Agreeing financial statements disclosures to underlying supporting documentation.
- Discussions with management of known or suspected instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations.
- Reading the minutes of meetings of those charged with governance.

At the completion stage of the audit, the engagement partner's review included ensuring that the team had approached their work with appropriate professional scepticism and thus the capacity to identify non-compliance with laws and regulations and fraud.

There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above and the further removed non-compliance of laws and regulations is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely we would become aware of it. Also, the risk of not detecting a material misstatement relating to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at [www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities). This description forms part of our Report of the Independent Auditors.

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### **Use of our report**

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

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for and on behalf of Thomas Coombs Limited  
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Date: 10<sup>th</sup> December 2024

## SOLACE SURVIVING EXILE AND PERSECUTION

### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>					
Donation, grants and legacies	3	<u>394,626</u>	<u>783,375</u>	<u>1,178,001</u>	<u>1,067,808</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>					
<b>Charitable activities</b>	4				
General activities		<u>385,019</u>	<u>750,488</u>	<u>1,135,507</u>	<u>1,085,182</u>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>		<b>9,607</b>	<b>32,887</b>	<b>42,494</b>	<b>(17,374)</b>
Transfers between funds	16	<u>96,041</u>	<u>(96,041)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>105,648</b>	<b>(63,154)</b>	<b>42,494</b>	<b>(17,374)</b>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
Total funds brought forward		<u>173,575</u>	<u>92,424</u>	<u>265,999</u>	<u>283,373</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u><b>279,223</b></u>	<u><b>29,270</b></u>	<u><b>308,493</b></u>	<u><b>265,999</b></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

## SOLACE SURVIVING EXILE AND PERSECUTION

### BALANCE SHEET 31ST MARCH 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Tangible assets	11	-	-	-	-
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Debtors	12	17,144	17,595	34,739	203,276
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>315,630</u>	<u>99,087</u>	<u>414,717</u>	<u>213,369</u>
		332,774	116,682	449,456	416,645
<b>CREDITORS</b>					
Amounts falling due within one year	13	(48,551)	(87,412)	(135,963)	(145,646)
		<u>284,223</u>	<u>29,270</u>	<u>313,493</u>	<u>270,999</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
		284,223	29,270	313,493	270,999
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>					
		284,223	29,270	313,493	270,999
<b>PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES</b>	15	(5,000)	-	(5,000)	(5,000)
		<u>279,223</u>	<u>29,270</u>	<u>308,493</u>	<u>265,999</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>					
		279,223	29,270	308,493	265,999
<b>FUNDS</b>	16				
Unrestricted funds				279,223	173,575
Restricted funds				<u>29,270</u>	<u>92,424</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>				<u>308,493</u>	<u>265,999</u>

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

E Goodwin - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

**SOLACE SURVIVING EXILE AND PERSECUTION****CASH FLOW STATEMENT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024**

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	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Cash generated from operations	1	<u>201,348</u>	<u>(90,716)</u>
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities		<u>201,348</u>	<u>(90,716)</u>
		<hr/>	<hr/>
<b>Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period</b>		<b>201,348</b>	<b>(90,716)</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period</b>		<u>213,369</u>	<u>304,085</u>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period</b>		<u>414,717</u>	<u>213,369</u>

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## SOLACE SURVIVING EXILE AND PERSECUTION

### NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

#### 1. RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Net income/(expenditure) for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	42,494	(17,374)
Adjustments for:		
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	168,537	(38,220)
Decrease in creditors	<u>(9,683)</u>	<u>(35,122)</u>
Net cash provided by/(used in) operations	<u>201,348</u>	<u>(90,716)</u>

#### 2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 1/4/23	Cash flow	At 31/3/24
	£	£	£
Net cash			
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>213,369</u>	<u>201,348</u>	<u>414,717</u>
	<u>213,369</u>	<u>201,348</u>	<u>414,717</u>
Total	<u>213,369</u>	<u>201,348</u>	<u>414,717</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

## SOLACE SURVIVING EXILE AND PERSECUTION

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

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#### 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Solace Surviving Exile and Persecution is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is Manor House, Manor Street, Leeds, LS7 1PZ.

The members of the charitable company are the Trustees named on page 1. In the event of the charitable company being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the charitable company.

#### 2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

##### **Basis of preparing the financial statements**

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1st January 2019)'. Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

##### **Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty**

In the application of the charities accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised, if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

##### **Going concern**

At the time of signing these accounts, having considered the economic climate, the directors expectations and intentions for the next 12 months, and the availability of working capital, the directors are of the opinion that the company will remain viable for the foreseeable future and accordingly these financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis.

##### **Income**

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Grants are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on a receivable basis. The balance of income received for specific purposes but not expended during the period is shown in the relevant funds on the Balance Sheet. Where income is received in advance of entitlement of receipt, its recognition is deferred and included in creditors as deferred income. Where entitlement occurs before income is received, the income is accrued.

Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Income tax recoverable in relation to investment income is recognised at the time the investment income is receivable.

##### **Expenditure**

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the company's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

**Tangible fixed assets**

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost (or deemed cost) or valuation less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Costs includes costs directly attributable to making the asset capable of operating as intended.

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost less the estimated residual of tangible fixed assets by equal instalments over their estimated useful economic lives as follows:

Fixtures and fittings	- 100% straight line
Computer equipment	- 100% straight line

**Taxation**

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

**Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

**Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits**

The Charity pays defined contributions into the pension schemes of employees. These amounts are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities as they become payable and in accordance with their functional classification.

**Financial instruments**

The company only enters into transactions in 'basic' financial instruments which result in the recognition of assets and liabilities; these include trade and other debtors and creditors, bank balances, loans from banks and other third parties, and loans to related parties. These are recognised in the company's balance sheet when it becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial assets (other than those classified as payable within one year) are initially measured at cost and are subsequently carried at cost or amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment losses. Basic financial assets classed as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities (other than those classified as payable within one year) are initially measured at present value of future cash flows and subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Basic financial liabilities classed as payable within one year are not amortised.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amount reported in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

**Operating leases**

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to the SOFA on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

**Pension contributions**

The charity operates a defined pension contribution scheme for the benefit of its employees. The costs of contributions are recognised in the year they are payable.

**Liabilities and provisions**

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

## SOLACE SURVIVING EXILE AND PERSECUTION

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

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#### 2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

##### Liabilities and provisions

Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities as a finance cost.

#### 3. DONATION, GRANTS AND LEGACIES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Donations	9,287	17,022
Grants	792,467	726,930
Charges for services	376,247	323,856
	<u>1,178,001</u>	<u>1,067,808</u>

Grants received, included in the above, are as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
AB Charitable Trust	-	20,000
Bradford CHMT	21,781	16,336
Syrian Development Project	23,218	32,381
Connecting Opportunities	13,304	56,731
Family & Child Wellbeing	331,093	312,326
Spring (AMIF)	122,122	99,799
Henry Smith 2020	73,982	108,085
Covid-19	-	1,612
Leeds Lifeline	46,776	41,490
Asylum Seeker Mental Health	-	8,992
The Children's Society	32,008	9,178
Urban House Maternity Project	17,981	-
Refugee Therapy Project Wakefield	3,110	-
Leeds Asylum Support Grant	7,764	-
Resource Development	2,125	-
Bradford Wellbeing Network	49,953	-
Other Grants	20,000	20,000
LCC Winter Pressures	27,250	-
	<u>792,467</u>	<u>726,930</u>

# SOLACE SURVIVING EXILE AND PERSECUTION

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

### 4. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs (see note 5) £	Support costs (see note 6) £	Totals £
General activities	<u>1,125,007</u>	<u>10,500</u>	<u>1,135,507</u>

### 5. DIRECT COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2024 £	2023 £
Staff costs	895,897	854,229
Rates and water	38,100	50,670
Insurance	2,179	1,803
Telephone	7,628	7,549
Postage and stationery	4,324	2,294
Sundries	1,352	3,005
Interpreters	119,813	103,331
Client and staff	28,057	22,612
External Supervision	6,228	6,228
Bank Charges	287	320
Training	2,624	3,615
Publicity and marketing	-	113
IT support	9,870	7,100
Professional fees	8,648	9,773
	<u>1,125,007</u>	<u>1,072,642</u>

### 6. SUPPORT COSTS

	Governance costs £
General activities	<u>10,500</u>

Support costs, included in the above, are as follows:

	2024 General activities £	2023 Total activities £
Auditors' remuneration	10,500	10,200
Professional fees	-	2,340
	<u>10,500</u>	<u>12,540</u>

### 7. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2024 £	2023 £
Auditors' remuneration	<u>10,500</u>	<u>10,200</u>

## SOLACE SURVIVING EXILE AND PERSECUTION

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

#### 8. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31st March 2024 nor for the year ended 31st March 2023.

##### Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31st March 2024 nor for the year ended 31st March 2023.

#### 9. STAFF COSTS

	2024 £	2023 £
Wages and salaries	786,288	747,382
Social security costs	72,554	70,614
Other pension costs	37,055	36,233
	<u>895,897</u>	<u>854,229</u>

The charity considers its key management personnel (in addition to the board of trustees) to be the Chief Executive and the Clinical Director. The total employment costs to the Charity of the key management personnel was £107,483 (2023: £103,915).

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2024 <u>30</u>	2023 <u>30</u>
Staff		

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

The average full time equivalent of employees during the year was 25 (2023: 19).

#### 10. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>			
Donation, grants and legacies	<u>350,927</u>	<u>716,881</u>	<u>1,067,808</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>			
<b>Charitable activities</b>			
General activities	<u>392,967</u>	<u>692,215</u>	<u>1,085,182</u>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>	(42,040)	24,666	(17,374)
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
Total funds brought forward	215,615	67,758	283,373
	<u>173,575</u>	<u>92,424</u>	<u>265,999</u>

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

### 11. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
<b>COST</b>			
At 1st April 2023	<b>11,341</b>	<b>17,528</b>	<b>28,869</b>
Disposals	<u>-</u>	<u>(13,606)</u>	<u>(13,606)</u>
At 31st March 2024	<u><b>11,341</b></u>	<u><b>3,922</b></u>	<u><b>15,263</b></u>
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>			
At 1st April 2023	<b>11,341</b>	<b>17,528</b>	<b>28,869</b>
Eliminated on disposal	<u>-</u>	<u>(13,606)</u>	<u>(13,606)</u>
At 31st March 2024	<u><b>11,341</b></u>	<u><b>3,922</b></u>	<u><b>15,263</b></u>
<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>			
At 31st March 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
At 31st March 2023	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

### 12. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024 £	2023 £
Funding and other amounts receivable	<b>13,944</b>	117,202
Other debtors	<b>3,200</b>	-
Prepayments and accrued income	<u><b>17,595</b></u>	<u>86,074</u>
	<u><b>34,739</b></u>	<u>203,276</u>

## SOLACE SURVIVING EXILE AND PERSECUTION

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

#### 13. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Deferred income	125,463	135,446
Accrued expenses	10,500	10,200
	<u>135,963</u>	<u>145,646</u>

Deferred income is in relation to the following contracts:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Syrian Development Project	9,151	10,407
Henry Smith 2020	19,350	24,782
Kirklees	20,000	20,000
Bradford Wellbeing Hubs	7,273	20,866
Refugee Therapy Project Wakefield	12,500	-
Leeds Asylum Support	15,755	-
Resource Development	15,875	-
Leeds Lifeline	16,659	-
Therapy Sessions	8,900	-
Halifax CCG	-	32,141
LCC Winter Pressures	-	27,250
	<u>125,463</u>	<u>135,466</u>

#### 14. LEASING AGREEMENTS

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Within one year	36,918	35,137
Between one and five years	20,565	17,319
	<u>57,483</u>	<u>52,456</u>

#### 15. PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Provisions	<u>5,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>

Provisions are in relation to dilapidations.



# SOLACE SURVIVING EXILE AND PERSECUTION

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

### 16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/4/23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/3/24 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	173,575	9,607	96,041	279,223
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Connecting Opportunities	(6,032)	6,032	-	-
Family & Child Wellbeing	96,041	-	(96,041)	-
Spring (AMIF)	4,741	5,246	-	9,987
Leeds Lifeline. The National Lottery Community Fund RC Yorkshire and Humber Region	(849)	-	-	(849)
The Children's Society	(1,477)	1,477	-	-
Bradford Wellbeing Hubs	-	20,132	-	20,132
	<u>92,424</u>	<u>32,887</u>	<u>(96,041)</u>	<u>29,270</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>265,999</u>	<u>42,494</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>308,493</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	394,626	(385,019)	9,607
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Syrian Development Project	23,218	(23,218)	-
Connecting Opportunities	13,304	(7,272)	6,032
Family & Child Wellbeing	331,094	(331,094)	-
Spring (AMIF)	152,857	(147,611)	5,246
Henry Smith 2020	73,982	(73,982)	-
Leeds Lifeline. The National Lottery Community Fund RC Yorkshire and Humber Region	46,776	(46,776)	-
Asylum Seeker Mental Health	7,764	(7,764)	-
The Children's Society	39,410	(37,933)	1,477
Bradford Wellbeing Hubs	49,953	(29,821)	20,132
Urban House Maternity Project	17,981	(17,981)	-
Refugee Therapy Project Wakefield	16,110	(16,110)	-
Mental Health Assessment support at St Augustine's Centre Halifax	8,801	(8,801)	-
Resource Development	2,125	(2,125)	-
	<u>783,375</u>	<u>(750,488)</u>	<u>32,887</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>1,178,001</u>	<u>(1,135,507)</u>	<u>42,494</u>

# SOLACE SURVIVING EXILE AND PERSECUTION

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

### 16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

#### Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/4/22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/3/23 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	215,615	(42,040)	173,575
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Connecting Opportunities	-	(6,032)	(6,032)
Family & Child Wellbeing	67,758	28,283	96,041
Spring (AMIF)	-	4,741	4,741
Leeds Lifeline. The National Lottery Community Fund RC Yorkshire and Humber Region	-	(849)	(849)
The Children's Society	-	(1,477)	(1,477)
	<u>67,758</u>	<u>24,666</u>	<u>92,424</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>283,373</u>	<u>(17,374)</u>	<u>265,999</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	350,927	(392,967)	(42,040)
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Syrian Development Project	32,381	(32,381)	-
Connecting Opportunities	56,731	(62,763)	(6,032)
Family & Child Wellbeing	312,330	(284,047)	28,283
Spring (AMIF)	135,056	(130,315)	4,741
Henry Smith 2020	108,085	(108,085)	-
Covid-19	1,612	(1,612)	-
Leeds Lifeline. The National Lottery Community Fund RC Yorkshire and Humber Region	41,490	(42,339)	(849)
Asylum Seeker Mental Health	8,992	(8,992)	-
The Children's Society	16,061	(17,538)	(1,477)
Bradford Wellbeing Hubs	4,143	(4,143)	-
	<u>716,881</u>	<u>(692,215)</u>	<u>24,666</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>1,067,808</u>	<u>(1,085,182)</u>	<u>(17,374)</u>

#### Child and Family Wellbeing Project

A regional project led by Migration Yorkshire to support families arriving as part of the UK Resettlement Scheme. The focus is on helping children settle in school and providing information, training and advice to schools so they can better help families who have experienced traumatic events.

#### Connecting Opportunities

A regional partnership project led by Migration Yorkshire supporting refugees to settle in Yorkshire, access training and address barriers to employment.

## SOLACE SURVIVING EXILE AND PERSECUTION

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

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#### 16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

##### Henry Smith Charity

A 3 year grant towards Solace's running costs plus an additional grant to support refugees and asylum seekers affected by the pandemic

##### Syrian Development Project

Funded by Leeds City Council to help support people arriving into the city as part of the UK Resettlement Scheme.

##### Leeds Lifeline

A lottery funded project in partnership with PAFRAS to provide wrap around therapy and practical support to destitute asylum seekers.

##### Bradford CMHT (Refugee Advice and Wellbeing service)

A partnership with Refugee Action to provide therapy, advice and a wellbeing group for refugees and asylum seekers living in Bradford.

##### Spring Project

A partnership project led by Voluntary Action Sheffield to help refugees settle into their life in Sheffield.

##### Bradford Wellbeing Network

A partnership with Refugee Action and Bradford's Voluntary Sector Alliance to provide therapy for Refugees and Asylum Seekers referred via the Wellbeing Hubs throughout the city.

##### The Hearts Project

A partnership project with The Children's Society to provide therapy and group support for young refugees throughout the region.

##### Urban House Maternity Project

A partnership project with the Maternity Stream of City of Sanctuary to provide a wellbeing group and individual therapy to pregnant women and new mothers at the Asylum Seeker Initial Accommodation Centre in Wakefield.

##### Refugee therapy project Wakefield

Provision of one day per week of therapy for any refugee or asylum seeker living in Wakefield district alongside training and support for the refugee sector in Wakefield.

##### Mental Health Assessment support at St Augustine's Centre Halifax

Provision of support to Centre Members and the staff and volunteer team at St Augustine's centre to provide assessment, referral and follow up for any refugee or asylum seeker in distress.

##### Leeds Asylum Support Grant

A grant from Leeds City Council to expand the provision of therapy for asylum seekers and refugees in Leeds. Also to provide reflective practice, consultancy and training to the refugee sector in Leeds.

##### Resource Development

A grant from Leeds ICB and West Yorkshire ICB to create more resources for refugees and asylum seekers on our website. Also to create a new learning section for our website which will host our existing e-learning courses so more people are able to access them for free.

##### Transfers between funds

Transfers between restricted and general funds during the year ended 31st March 2024 represents the fulfilment of the restriction and the correction of the fund balance to account for the incorrect allocation of expenditure in prior periods.

**17. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31st March 2024.

# SOLACE SURVIVING EXILE AND PERSECUTION

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>		
<b>Donation, grants and legacies</b>		
Donations	9,287	37,022
Grants	792,467	706,930
Charges for services	376,247	323,856
	<u>1,178,001</u>	<u>1,067,808</u>
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b>1,178,001</b>	<b>1,067,808</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Wages	786,288	747,382
Social security	72,554	70,614
Pensions	37,055	36,233
Rates and water	38,100	50,670
Insurance	2,179	1,803
Telephone	7,628	7,549
Postage and stationery	4,324	2,294
Sundries	1,352	3,005
Interpreters	119,813	103,331
Client and staff	28,057	22,612
External Supervision	6,228	6,228
Bank Charges	287	320
Training	2,624	3,615
Publicity and marketing	-	113
IT support	9,870	7,100
Professional fees	8,648	9,773
	<u>1,125,007</u>	<u>1,072,642</u>
<b>Support costs</b>		
<b>Governance costs</b>		
Auditors' remuneration	10,500	10,200
Professional fees	-	2,340
	<u>10,500</u>	<u>12,540</u>
<b>Total resources expended</b>	<b>1,135,507</b>	<b>1,085,182</b>
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>	<b>42,494</b>	<b>(17,374)</b>

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