



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From April 2022 Period start date. To April 2023 Period end date.

Charity name: Stepping Stones Ministries UK

Charity registration number: 1104612

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>To raise finances for our sister charity in India for the purpose of:-</p> <p>1) The relief of financial hardship, either generally or individually, of people living in India by making grants of money for providing or paying for items, services or facilities for the relief of the sick/poor living in India either generally or individually through the provision of grants goods or services.</p> <p>2) To advance the Christian religion in India for the benefit of the public through the holding of prayer meetings, lectures, public celebration of religious festivals, producing literature and distributing literature on Christianity to enlighten others about the Christian religion.</p> <p>3) To advance the education of the public in India in literacy, language, history, mathematics, geography, science, health and any other nationally recognised government curriculum subject.</p>
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	<p>Fundraising to provide for the work carried out by its' sister charity Stepping Stones India.</p> <p>Maintaining contact and providing information for individual sponsors regarding their sponsorship.</p> <p>To provide finances for the provision of a loving home, and meet the physical, emotional, educational and mental needs of children in need in India, including their care, clothing, food, medication, education and staff to care for them.</p> <p>Providing where possible various health camps in villages local to a Stepping Stones centre.</p> <p>Supporting the local church in Christian outreaches in to local villages</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have	Para 1.18	The trustees of Stepping Stones Ministries UK have had regard to the guidance issued

had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit		by the Charity Commission on public benefit.
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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	<p>In the year April 2022 – April 5th 2023 the finances provided by Stepping Stones Ministries has been blessed to impact :-</p> <p>In Ranaghat West Bengal, caring for the lives and wellbeing of 22 boys and 27 girls. (during the year, SSI facilitated the return of 2 girls to their guardians following a change in circumstances), through provision of care, accommodation, medication, food, clothing, education, physical exercise, additional out of school tuition and guidance and advice from staff and teachers.</p> <p>In all 18 local people have been employed in the work of the children's' homes (including 2 new employees) and 6 Teachers were contracted to provide additional tuition. Staff include 8 widows. 4 Bethany girls are still working towards nurse's training when they finish year 12. 1 girl successfully completed year 10. 35 villages and about 5000 people received food parcel, blankets and other help through the outreach team.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Receipts and Payment account shows a Surplus of £4433 comparing to £8930 deficit last year. Total reserves held at the year end amounted to £2168 of which £2168 are free reserves.(2022: 515).
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The charity is a small charity with a small income, however the trustees agree to allocate 20% of all general incomes (when available) to keep as a 'buffer'. The aim is to reach 3 x monthly costs of SSI budget (total approx. £6600). These monies are kept within the general business account and allocated on an end of month basis via journals to a nominal code named 'Buffer'. During this financial year the majority of these reserves were transferred to India. At the end of 2022/2023 there was £8 in the buffer account. It is agreed that this buffer is accessible should the need arise.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Total reserves held at the year end amounted to £2168 of which £2168 are free reserves
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	All income is received by donation of either individual or church organisation. This means that incomes will never be guaranteed as all relate to the personal circumstances and financial abilities of individuals.

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	Individual sponsors. / Church sponsorship
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	Trust Deed
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	A charitable 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	Proposal by a existing trustee – voted on by a majority vote.

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	Stepping Stones Ministries UK
Other name the charity uses	Stepping Stones
Registered charity number	1104612
Charity's principal address	26 Moor Lane, Newby, Scarborough, YO12 5SH

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	Richard Pashby			
2	Tracey Pashby	Treasurer		
3	Peter Hick	Chairman		
4	Graeme Parkins			
5	David Baker			
6	Susan Ward			
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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	
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)	Tracey Pashby	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	

Date 24/10/2023



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Charity Name	No (if any)
Stepping Stones Muinistries UK	1104612

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 06/04/2022	To	Period end date 05/04/2023
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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	43,343	-	-	43,343	49,649
Gift Aid	6,530	-	-	6,530	6,843
Fundraising	635	-	-	635	127
Misc Income	-	-	-	-	750
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	50,508	-	-	50,508	57,369
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	50,508	-	-	50,508	57,369
A3 Payments					
Transfers to India	33,846	-	-	33,846	52,699
Mission expenditure	2,602	-	-	2,602	-
Director stipend	6,000	-	-	6,000	9,500
Trustees fees	2,060	-	-	2,060	1,560
Travel and subsistence	80	-	-	80	-
Post and stationery	247	-	-	247	101
Telephone	-	-	-	-	158
Repairs and renewals	13	-	-	13	500
Bank charges	142	-	-	142	252
Accountancy	600	-	-	600	1,200
Miscellaneous	160	-	-	160	328
Subscriptions	325	-	-	325	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	46,075	-	-	46,075	66,300
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	46,075	-	-	46,075	66,300
Net of receipts/(payments)	4,433	-	-	4,433	- 8,931
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	2,779	-	-	2,779	11,710
Cash funds this year end	7,212	-	-	7,212	2,779



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Stepping Stones Ministries UK

On accounts for the year
ended

5 April 2023

Charity no
(if any)

1104612

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 **05/04/2023**.

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 (other than that disclosed below *) 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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

7/11/2023

Name:

Anna Wiffen

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

FCCA

Address:

Ashby Berry Coulsons

2 Belgrave Crescent, Scarborough,

North Yorkshire YO11 1UB

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.