

CENTRES OF MEDICAL EXCELLENCE AND TRAINING TO THE MIDDLE EAST

England & Wales · Charity number 1107214

Details

Other names	COMET
Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	04748007
Registered	2004-12-10
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

Objects: TO RELIEVE SUFFERING DISTRESS AND POVERTY IN EGYPT AND IN SUCH OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD AS THE DIRECTORS OF THE CHARITY (HEREINAFTER CALLED 'THE TRUSTEES') MAY DETERMINE BYI. THE TRAINING OF DOCTORS NURSES PARAMEDICS AND OTHERS IN THE FIELD OF MEDICINE SURGERY AND MENTAL HEALTH.II. THE PROVISION OF MEDICAL FACILITIES INCLUDING MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AND MEDICINESIII. THE PROVISION OF MEDICAL CARE AND TREATMENT INCLUDING TREATMENT FOR PSYCHIATRIC ILLNESS OR DISORDER.IV. THE PROVISION OF ACCOMMODATION FOR THE RELATIVES OF PATIENTS AND FOR THE MEDICAL AND OTHER HOSPITAL STAFF AND THE PROVISION OF LIVING AND TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR PATIENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

Activities: The objects of the charity are to relieve suffering, distress and poverty in Egypt and in such other parts of the world as the directors may determine. The charity has been helping a church in Cairo develop and run a hospital.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Services
- **What:** The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** NATIONAL AND OVERSEAS
- Egypt
- Herefordshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-30	£6,137	£0	-	-
2024-04-30	£16,422	£0	-	-
2023-04-30	£31,832	£10,000	-	-
2022-04-30	£30,287	£21,552	-	-
2021-04-30	£41,018	£94,166	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
DR RAFIK REFAAT	Chair	
Antony Wood		2014-03-09
Dr HAYDN JOHN WILLIAMS		2018-02-25
EWAN MCKENDRICK		
NIGEL JAMES CUBITT BUCHANAN		
Philip Nicholas Ioannou		2018-02-25
Sara Judith Ioannou		2018-02-25

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Centres of Medical Excellence and Training to the Middle East
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Year to 30th April 2023

Reference and Administrative Information

Directors

Rafik Refaat (Chairman)

Ewan McKendrick

Nigel Buchanan CVO

Antony Wood

Haydn Williams

Sara Ioannou

Philip Ioannou

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Report of the Directors

Year ended 30th April 2023.

The Board submits its report together with the accounts for the year to 30th April 2023. This report is prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice “Accounting and Reporting by Charities”, issued by the Charity Commission for England and Wales in March 2005.

Structure, Governance and Management

The directors of Centres of Medical Excellence and Training to the Middle East, a Company Limited by Guarantee, have pleasure in submitting their report for the year ended 30th April 2023. The company was incorporated as a private company limited by guarantee on 24 April 2003 in the United Kingdom and was registered as a charity on 3 September 2003. The directors are the only members of the company. The individual liability of each member is limited to a guarantee of £10.

Directors

The Directors are responsible for the overall management of the charity.

The Directors during the year and at the date of signing are shown on page 2. New Directors are inducted into the practical work of the charity when they are appointed and are kept informed about their duties and responsibilities as appropriate.

Risk Assessment

The Directors regularly assess the major risks facing the charity and monitor these risks.

Activities

The activities of the charity are to promote for the public benefit the relief of suffering, distress and poverty in Egypt and in such other parts of the world as the directors may determine.

During the year the charity made donations amounting to £10,000 (2022 £21,500) to the Kasr El Dohara Evangelical Church in Cairo to support their work establishing clinics and providing healthcare to the needy in Cairo and wider Egypt.

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Report of the Directors (continued)

Year ended 30th April 2022.

Activities (continued)

The Kasr El Dohara Evangelical Church in Cairo founded the Amoun Hospital in 2009 to support the very poor and needy by providing a high standard of care at a reasonable cost or free of charge, depending on the patient's ability to pay. The hospital also provided care for afflicted groups and minorities (eg Syrian and Yemeni refugees, widows, orphans and the homeless). The hospital received patients from Upper Egypt mainly coming from poor villages in Menia, Beni Suef and Assiut governorates, Sadat City, Suez and slum areas in Cairo and Giza. The hospital accepted patients referred from churches who could not afford to have their surgery done in private centres. Our team of doctors also donated their time or reduce their fee significantly.

To our great disappointment, the Amoun hospital was forced to close in 2021. The Egyptian government had placed significant new requirements on hospitals, including the need for at least two operating theatres. Amoun was not able to meet the requirements in the timescales required and was therefore forced to close. Since then, the Directors have been supporting the team in Cairo who are seeking ways to achieve the charity's aims without the need for its own hospital. The intention is to establish polyclinics in the Amoun-owned premises in order to provide specific outpatient services. The design work for the proposed polyclinics has now been completed and estimates received for their refurbishment. The process is however slowed by the paperwork required by the Egyptian Government, notably in relation to the requirement to obtain a licence to open the clinics. In-patient services will in future be outsourced to larger providers with whom they are seeking to establish contracts.

The UK Board approved a donation of £10,000 in early 2023 to support the polyclinic design licencing and work, and to provide funding for needy patients to be referred to other hospitals for treatment. Further donations are likely to follow approval of the development work or to support additional in-patient referrals; both in line with the Charity's aims.

Financial Review

The company received donations of £31,832 (2022 £30,287) and made donations of £10,000 (2022 £21,500) and incurred expenditure of £21 (2022 £52) relating to bank charges.

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the Directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the Directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company, and of the result of the charitable company for that year.

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Centres of Medical Excellence and Training to the Middle East
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Report of the Directors (continued)

Year to 30th April 2023.

Statement of Directors Responsibilities (continued)

In preparing these financial statements, the Directors are required to:

select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

make judgments and accounting 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 Directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and 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.

By order of the Board

Antony Wood

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Centres of Medical Excellence and Training to the Middle East
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Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 30 April 2023.

	2021/22	2020/21
Income:		
Donations received (note 3)	31,832	30,287
	————	————
Operating costs:		
Donations made (note 4)	10,000	21,500
	————	————
Gross profit (loss)	21,832	8,787
Administration expenses; Bank charges	21	52
	————	————
Profit (Loss) on ordinary activities before tax	21,811	8,735
Tax on surplus on ordinary activities	-	-
	————	————
Surplus (deficit) carried forward	21,811	8,735
Reserves brought forward	38,428	29,693
	————	————
Reserves carried forward	£60,239	£38,428
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The notes on page 8 form part of these financial statements

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Balance Sheet

30th April 2023.

		30th April 2022
Cash at Bank	57,309	37,886
Amounts receivable	2,930	542
	—————	—————
Net Assets	£60,239	£38,428
	—————	—————

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008). For the year ending 30th April 2023 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies. The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors' acknowledge their responsibility for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and for the preparation of the accounts. The financial statements were approved and authorised by the board on 29th October 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Rafik Refaat
Director

Antony Wood
Director

Notes to the Accounts

Year ended 30th April 2023.

1. Accounting Policies

(1) Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2008).

(2) Income

Income comprises donations received by the company.

(3) Taxation

The company remains accountable for taxation liabilities arising from capital gains, interest, trading activities and any other surplus arising other than from donations received.

(4) Cash Flow Statement

The Directors have taken advantage of the exemptions given in Financial Reporting Standard No 1 and have chosen not to prepare a cash flow Statement.

2. Company status

The company is a private company limited by guarantee and consequently does not have a share capital. Each of the members is liable to contribute an amount not exceeding £10 towards the assets of the company in the event of liquidation.

3. Income

Donations comprise amount received from donors of £26,342 (2022 £25,412) and the tax recoverable on gift aid donations of £5,490 (2022 £4,875).

4. Operating costs

The company made donations of £10,000 (2022 £21,500) to Kasr El Dohara Evangelical Church in Cairo towards the establishment and running of medical clinics in Cairo.

5. Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions in the year.

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Activities

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During the year the charity made donations amounting to £21,500 (2021 £94,000) to the Kasr El Dohara Evangelical Church in Cairo to support the Amoun hospital. The donations were made towards the general running costs of the hospital of £9,500, and towards the cost of purchasing a new microscope of £12,000. The Board had previously agreed to make donations to fund 50% of the cost of a new microscope for eye surgery, of which £20,000 had been donated before 30th April 2021; the £12,000 payment completes the donation of 50% of the cost.

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Report of the Directors (continued)

Year ended 30th April 2022.

Activities (continued)

The hospital was opened in 2009 to support the very poor and needy by providing a high standard of care at a reasonable cost or free of charge depending on the patient's ability to pay. The Amoun Hospital is always interested in attracting and providing care and respect for afflicted groups and minorities (for example Syrian and Yemeni refugees, widows, orphans and the homeless). We find great pleasure and blessing in caring for those who have no one or little to care for. The Amoun Hospital received patients on a regular basis from Upper Egypt mainly coming from poor villages in Menia, Beni Suef and Assiut governorates, Sadat City, Suez and random slum areas in Cairo and Giza. The hospital accepted patients referred from different churches who cannot afford to have their eye surgery done in private eye centres. In these cases the patient pays only a symbolic figure around ten per cent of the expense and for every patient we do establish that they need this support. Our team of doctors also donate their time or reduce their fee significantly.

To our great disappointment, the Amoun hospital was forced to close in 2021. The Egyptian government had placed significant new requirements on hospitals, including the need for at least two operating theatres. Amoun was not able to meet the requirements in the timescales required and was therefore forced to close. Since then, the Directors have been supporting the team in Cairo who are seeking ways to achieve the charity's aims without the need for its own hospital. The current intention is to establish clinics in the Amoun owned premises, to provide specific outpatient services. Inpatient services would be outsourced to larger providers with whom they are seeking to establish contracts.

The UK Board have not made any further donations to the work since the closure of the hospital, seeking to ensure the direction of the work and use of funds remains in line with the charity's aims.

Financial Review

The company received donations of £30,287 (2021 £41,018) and made donations of £21,500 (2021 £94,000) and incurred expenditure of £52 (2021 £166) relating to bank charges.

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

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Report of the Directors (continued)

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Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 30 April 2021.

2020/21 2019/20

Income:

Donations received (note 3)
30,287 41,018

_____ _____

Operating costs:

Donations made (note 4)
21,500 94,000

_____ _____

Gross profit (loss)
8,787 (52,982)

Administration expenses;

Bank charges
52 166

_____ _____

Profit (Loss) on ordinary activities before tax
8,735 (53,148)

Tax on surplus on ordinary activities

- -

_____ _____

Surplus (deficit) carried forward
8,735 (53,148)

Reserves brought forward
29,693 82,841

_____ _____

Reserves carried forward
£38,428 £29,693

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Balance Sheet

30th April 2022.

30th April 2021

Cash at Bank 27,298	37,886
Amounts receivable 2,460	542
_____	_____
Net Assets £29,693	£38,428
_____	_____

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The directors' acknowledge their responsibility for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and for the preparation of the accounts. The financial statements were approved and authorised by the board on 15 November 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

Rafik Refaat
Director

Antony Wood
Director

Notes to the Accounts

Year ended 30th April 2022.

1. Accounting Policies

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(4) Cash Flow Statement

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2. Company status

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3. Income

Donations comprise amount received from donors of £25,412 (2020 £21,855) and the tax recoverable on gift aid donations of £4,875 (2020 £4,725) .

4. Operating costs

The company made donations of £21,500 (2021 £94,000) to Kasr El Dohara Evangelical Church in Cairo towards the running of the Amoun Hospital in Cairo.

5. Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions in the year.

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