

# RETROUVAILLE IN ENGLAND AND WALES

England & Wales - Charity number 1110330

## Details

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Other names	RETROUVAILLE
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	2005-07-05
Register	<a href="#">View on the Charity Commission register</a>

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** TO PROVIDE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SO THAT PEOPLE MAY HAVE AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE DUTIES, RESPONSIBILITIES AND PRIVILEGES OF MARRIED LIFE.

**Activities:** To provide Christian education so that people may have an understanding of the duties, responsibilities and privileges of married life.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Services, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Education/training, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups

## Geography

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- Throughout England And Wales

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£31,739	£34,398	-	-
2024-03-31	£29,646	£23,835	-	-
2023-03-31	£29,646	£23,835	-	-
2022-03-31	£13,562	£5,908	-	-
2021-03-31	£18,092	£6,081	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>OWEN O'CONNOR</b>	Chair	2011-11-02
Enrico Masini		2025-12-09
Giulia Masini		2025-12-09
Helen O'Connor		2025-12-09
James Westby		2024-04-01
Sharon Westby		2024-04-24

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# Accounts

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# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

<b>From</b>	Period start date			<b>To</b>	Period end date		
	Day <b>01</b>	Month <b>04</b>	Year <b>24</b>		Day <b>31</b>	Month <b>03</b>	Year <b>25</b>

## Section A Reference and administration details

**Charity name** Retrouvaille in England and Wales

**Other names charity is known by** Retrouvaille

**Registered charity number (if any)** 1110330

47b Batten Avenue  
Woking  
Surrey  
**Postcode** GU21 8TP

### 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	Owen O'Connor *	Chair		Trustee Board
2	Helen O'Connor			
3	Kathy Jones *	Secretary		
4	Clive Jones			
5	James Westby	Coordinator / Treasurer	From 24/4/24	
6	Sharon Westby	Coordinator	From 24/4/24	
7	Fr Anthony Jackson *	Trustee	Resigned 19/09/24	
8	Michael L'Estrange	Coordinator	Resigned 19/09/24	
9	Caroline L'Estrange *	Coordinator	Resigned 19/09/24	
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### Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year


**Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)**

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

Not Applicable

**Section B Structure, governance and management**

**Description of the charity's trusts**

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution adopted on 9th April 2005, as amended on 12th May 2005
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Trust
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by Trustees

**Additional governance issues (Optional information)**

<p>You <b>may choose</b> to include additional information, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;</li> <li>• the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;</li> <li>• relationship with any related parties;</li> <li>• trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.</li> </ul>	<p>Retrouvaille in England and Wales is affiliated with Retrouvaille International Inc (a Texas USA Corporation).</p> <p>The Charity is subject to Retrouvaille International bylaws regarding structure and organisation and works within these and the Charity Commissions parameters.</p> <p>Retrouvaille is part of an Alliance of National Catholic Marriage organisations in England and Wales, meeting together every 2-3 months.</p>
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**Section C Objectives and activities**

<b>Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document</b>	To provide Christian education so that Couples may have an understanding of the duties, responsibilities and privileges of married life.
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**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

The Trustees are aware of the Charity Commission's guidance on Public Benefit and confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have regard to it. They consider the information which follows demonstrates the benefit to the public.

Retrouvaille's primary goal is to provide help for couples who live in the disappointment and pain of marriage problems and ultimately to help save marriages by providing advocacy, advice, information and education. In addition, further education and training is provided to the volunteers who run the programmes.

The Retrouvaille Programme consists of **Phase 1**: a residential or virtual weekend of presentations by a team of couples and a priest all of whom have previously completed the programme and have been guided and mentored to a high standard during their preparation.

During the weekend aspect of the programme, the team presents techniques of communication and share how they benefited from the techniques and enable those participating to learn and practise the techniques under the team's guidance. After each presentation, time is allocated for the couples to reflect and discuss in complete privacy.

The weekend (**Phase 1**) is followed by **Phase 2**: This is 12 x 2-hour sessions weekly or 4 x 6-hour days. During these sessions, the techniques learned on the weekend are further developed with additional skills introduced to enhance previous learning. Retrouvaille is open to couples from 1 - 50+ years married.

Atheists, agnostics and those of various religions are respected for their beliefs and are welcome to attend for the benefit of their marriage. This is stated on our website, brochures and other publicity.

Each couple is asked to make a donation to help cover the cost of the programme. No couple is denied the opportunity to heal and renew their marriage because they lack financial means.

Couples who have completed the Retrouvaille programme (**Phases 1 and 2**) and who desire further enrichment and support can join ongoing monthly support evenings. These became virtual in mid-March 2020 and continued twice monthly in this fiscal year.

All activities are undertaken by volunteers.

*Retrouvaille in England and Wales has set in place Policies to protect both the beneficiaries and volunteers in accordance with Charity Commission guidelines.*

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grant making;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

## Section D

## Achievements and performance

### Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

There were two face to face Retrouvaille programmes and one virtual programme, ie weekend plus twelve weekly Post Sessions. The programmes commenced in June 2024, November 2024 and February 2025. Sixty couples and one priest participated in the programme during this period.

Virtual CORE sessions took place once a month.

The coordinators attended the European Regional Meeting on behalf of Retrouvaille England and Wales in November 2024 in Assisi, Italy.

A new website and email marketing service was initiated during the year.

Couples from England and Wales contributed to and participated in Retrouvaille International's Enrichment Celebration in October 2024

## Section E

## Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Retrouvaille has no binding reserve policy.

The Trustees aim to hold in reserve an amount approximately equivalent to one year's operating expenses (around £30,000)

A limited amount of financial assistance is available upon application from Retrouvaille International. This facility has not been used during the year.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

There are no funds in deficit

### Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Retrouvaille is primarily funded by couples attending the programmes who are requested to provide a donation to cover the costs of the programme and, if possible, to cover costs of future couples attending the programme who might have financial difficulties

## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01-April-2024	To	Period end date 31-March-2025
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### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Weekend Programmes	16,155	-	-	16,155	20,265
Regular donations	7,582	-	-	7,582	7,834
Benefactors	8,000	-	-	8,000	400
Miscellaneous	2	-	-	2	441
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>31,739</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>31,739</b>	<b>28,940</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>31,739</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>31,739</b>	<b>28,940</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Running weekend programmes	29,497	-	-	29,497	16,118
Advertising in Press	50	-	-	50	-
International Congress & Dues	1,502	-	-	1,502	2,285
IT, Phones and Misc	2,739	-	-	2,739	545
Insurance	350	-	-	350	299
Other including printing	260	-	-	260	737
Written off	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>34,398</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>34,398</b>	<b>19,984</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>34,398</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>34,398</b>	<b>19,984</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>- 2,659</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 2,659</b>	<b>8,956</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>58,794</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>58,794</b>	<b>49,838</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>56,135</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>56,135</b>	<b>56,135</b>

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Balance at Lloyds Bank	53,945	-	-
	Balance at PayPal account	2,190	-	-
	Balance at FairFx charge cards	-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>56,136</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK


Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

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

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>			-	-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>			-	
			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	James Westby (Treasurer)	1/31/2026

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Retrouvaille in England and Wales  
(Reg no. 1110330)**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Retrouvaille in England and Wales (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2025.

**Responsibilities and basis of the report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

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

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act, or
2. The accounts do not accord with these records.

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

Signed:



Patricia Anne Botha

Relevant professional qualification: Bachelor of Commerce (University of South Africa)

Address: 7 Wyndham Road, Pontcanna, Cardiff, CF11 9EJ

Date: 23 January 2026

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# Accounts

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The Coordinators, a presenting couple and one priest participated in the International Council Meeting in Cape Town, South Africa on behalf of Retrouvaille England and Wales in October 2023.

Coordinators, a presenting couple, one other couple and one priest attended the European Regional Meeting on behalf of Retrouvaille England and Wales in November 2023 in Padua, Italy.

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## Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

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**Section F****Other optional information**

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**Section G****Declaration**

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>	<i>O. O'Connor</i>	
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Owen O'Connor	Helen O'Connor
<b>Position (e.g. Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Chair	
<b>Date</b>	28/01/25	



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name Retrouvaille in England and Wales	No (if any) 1110330
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## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01-April-2023	To	Period end date 31-March-2024
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### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Weekend Programmes	16,300	-	-	16,300	24,484
Regular donations	7,834	-	-	7,834	3,688
Benefactors	400	-	-	400	250
Miscellaneous	441	-	-	441	
Gift Aid reclaimed from HMRC	3,965	-	-	3,965	1,224
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>28,940</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>28,940</b>	<b>29,646</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>28,940</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>28,940</b>	<b>29,646</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Running weekend programmes	16,118	-	-	16,118	20,640
Advertising in Press	-	-	-	-	
International Congress & Dues	2,285	-	-	2,285	2,268
Phones and stationery	545	-	-	545	490
Insurance	299	-	-	299	236
Other including printing	737	-	-	737	201
Written off	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>19,984</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>19,984</b>	<b>23,835</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>19,984</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>19,984</b>	<b>23,835</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>8,956</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>8,956</b>	<b>5,811</b>
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	49,838	-	-	49,838	44,027
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>58,794</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>58,794</b>	<b>44,027</b>

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Balance at Lloyds Bank	57,718	-	-
	Balance at PayPal account	1,076	-	-
	Balance at FairFx charge cards	-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>58,794</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK


Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

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

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

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

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	James Westby (Treasurer)	31/01/2025

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### **Independent examiner's statement**

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1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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

Signed:



Name: **Neil James Ellery**

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies: CA (Chartered Accountants Australia & New Zealand)

Address: 12 Haslemere Road, Windsor SL4 5ES

Date: 30 January 2025

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Retrouvaille in England and Wales (Reg No 1110330)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Retrouvaille in England and Wales (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of the 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 142 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 142(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- 1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 139 of the Act; or
- 2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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

Signed:

  
James Well James Ebery

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies: CA (Chartered Accountants Australia & New Zealand)

Address: 13 Haslemere Road, Windsor SL4 3EJ

Date: 31 August 2024



**RETRouvaille IN ENGLAND AND WALES**

England & Wales - Charity number 1110330

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# Accounts

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### **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 all 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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

Signed:



Name: Martin O'Donovan

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies (if any): FCT (Fellow of the Association of Corporate Treasurers)

Address: 9 Woodfield Lane, Ashted, Surrey KT21 2BQ

Date: 4 December 2023



# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

<b>From</b>	Period start date			<b>T O</b>	Period end date		
	Day <b>01</b>	Month <b>04</b>	Year <b>22</b>		Day <b>31</b>	Month <b>03</b>	Year <b>23</b>

## Section A Reference and administration details

**Charity name** Retrouvaille in England and Wales

**Other names charity is known by** Retrouvaille

**Registered charity number (if any)** 1110330

13 Larchwood Close,  
Banstead,  
Surrey  
**Postcode** SM7 1HE

### 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	Owen O'Connor *	Chair		Trustee Board
2	Helen O'Connor			
3	Kathy Jones *	Secretary		
4	Clive Jones			
5	Gearoid MacAmhlaibh *	Treasurer		
6	Julie MacAmhlaibh			
7	Fr Anthony Jackson *	Trustee		
8	Michael L'Estrange	Coordinator		
9	Caroline L'Estrange *	Coordinator		
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### Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

Not Applicable

## Section B Structure, governance and management

### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution adopted on 9th April 2005, as amended on 12th May 2005
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Trust
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by Trustees

### Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Retrouvaille in England and Wales is affiliated with Retrouvaille International Inc (a Texas USA Corporation).

The Charity is subject to Retrouvaille International bylaws regarding structure and organisation and works within these and the Charity Commissions parameters.

Retrouvaille is part of an Alliance of National Catholic Marriage organisations in England and Wales.

## Section C Objectives and activities

### Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To provide Christian education so that Couples may have an understanding of the duties, responsibilities and privileges of married life.

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

The Trustees are aware of the Charity Commission's guidance on Public Benefit and confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have regard to it. They consider the information which follows demonstrates the benefit to the public.

Retrouvaille's primary goal is to provide help for couples who live in the disappointment and pain of marriage problems and ultimately to help save marriages by providing advocacy, advice, information and education. In addition, further education and training is provided to the volunteers who run the programmes.

The Retrouvaille Programme consists of **Phase 1**: a residential or virtual weekend of presentations by a team of couples and a priest all of whom have previously completed the programme and have been guided and mentored to a high standard during their preparation.

During the weekend aspect of the programme, the team presents techniques of communication and share how they benefited from the techniques and enable those participating to learn and practise the techniques under the team's guidance. After each presentation, time is allocated for the couples to reflect and discuss in complete privacy.

The weekend (**Phase 1**) is followed by **Phase 2**: This is 12 x 2-hour sessions weekly. During these sessions, the techniques learned on the weekend are further developed with additional skills introduced to enhance previous learning. Retrouvaille is open to couples from 1 - 50+ years married.

Atheists, agnostics and those of various religions are respected for their beliefs and are welcome to attend for the benefit of their marriage. This is stated on our website, brochures and other publicity.

Each couple is asked to make a donation to help cover the cost of the programme. No couple is denied the opportunity to heal and renew their marriage because they lack financial means.

Couples who have completed the Retrouvaille programme (**Phases 1 and 2**) and who desire further enrichment and support can join ongoing monthly support evenings. These became virtual in mid-March 2020 and continued twice monthly in this fiscal year.

All activities are undertaken by volunteers.

*Retrouvaille in England and Wales has set in place Policies to protect both the beneficiaries and volunteers in accordance with Charity Commission guidelines.*

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grant making;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

## Section D

## Achievements and performance

### Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

During the year the Post Sessions for the March 2022 weekend were completed.

In June 2022 there was a Formation Weekend open to those who had already completed the Retrouvaille programme – 17 couples and a priest attended.

A virtual Retrouvaille programme (weekend plus twelve weekly Post Sessions) commenced in October 2022 and finished in January 2023 – 30 couples attended. In February 2023 the first Residential Weekend since Covid took place with 31 couples and a priest attending. In March 2023 a virtual weekend with 10 couples attending took place. The couples (and priest) joined together for online Post Sessions.

Virtual CORE sessions have taken place twice a month.

The Coordinators and one priest attended the International Council Meeting in Miami on behalf of Retrouvaille England and Wales in November 2022. Two couples attended the European meeting in Madrid in December 2022.

## Section E

## Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Retrouvaille has no binding reserve policy.

The Trustees aim to hold in reserve an amount approximately equivalent to one year's operating expenses (around £20,000)

A limited amount of financial assistance is available upon application from Retrouvaille International. This facility has not been used during the year.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

There are no funds in deficit

### Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

**Section F****Other optional information**

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**Section G****Declaration**

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>O. O'Connor</i>	<i>H. O'Connor</i>
Full name(s)	Owen O'Connor	Helen O'Connor
Position (e.g. Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	10/11/2023	



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name Retrouvaille in England and Wales	No (if any) 1110330
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## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01-April-2022	To	Period end date 31-March-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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Weekend Programmes	24,484	-	-	24,484	8,215
Regular donations	3,688	-	-	3,688	4,890
Benefactors	250	-	-	250	-
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	2
Gift Aid reclaimed from HMRC	1,224	-	-	1,224	455
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>29,646</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>29,646</b>	<b>13,562</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>29,646</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>29,646</b>	<b>13,562</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Running weekend programmes	20,640	-	-	20,640	3,261
Advertising in Press	-	-	-	-	-
International Congress & Dues	2,268	-	-	2,268	1,445
Phones and stationery	490	-	-	490	436
Insurance	236	-	-	236	236
Other including printing	201	-	-	201	531
Written off	-	-	-	-	1
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>23,835</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>23,835</b>	<b>5,908</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>23,835</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>23,835</b>	<b>5,908</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>5,811</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,811</b>	<b>7,654</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>44,027</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>44,027</b>	<b>44,027</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>49,838</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>49,838</b>	<b>44,027</b>

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

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>31 Cash funds</b>			
Balance at Lloyds Bank	48,110	-	-
Balance at PayPal account	1,500	-	-
Balance at FairFx charge cards	228	-	-
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>49,838</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

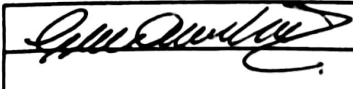
	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

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

	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

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

Signature



Print Name

D G MacAmhlaioibh (Treasurer)

Date of approval

08.10.2023