

**Charity Registration number 1114947
Company Registration number 5036866
TRUSTEES / DIRECTORS**

The trustees of the charity, who also serve as directors of the company, who served during the 21 months up to approval of these accounts, are:

Anne Therese Peacey
Kevin Francis Burr
Michael Clarke
Mary Susan Ingham
Paul Southgate
Ashley Ralston
Annette Brindle
Michael Chambers
Nalini Nathan

Elected Chair 22/07/2023

RIP 25/06/2023

Chair until 22/07/2023

27/09/2022 to 20/08/2023
Elected 22/07/2023; Resigned 09/10/2023

In addition, the following co-opted, non-voting persons who are not Trustees

Barbara Butler
Maire Hayes
Michael Chambers
Liz Archibald

Co-opted
Co-opted
Appointed 20/08/2023
Appointed 01/09/2023

SECRETARY

Kevin Francis Burr

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CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER

1114947

COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS / TRUSTEES

The Directors / Trustees have pleasure in presenting their annual report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022

ORGANISATION / GOVERNANCE

The Company was incorporated on 6 February 2004 as a company limited by guarantee not having any share capital. The Company was registered as a Charity with the Charity Commission (Registration Number 1114947) on 27 June 2006.

Trustees / Directors are appointed and voted into office at the Annual General Meeting and serve for up to four-year periods. All such appointments are made from the membership of that year. Executive meetings are held six or more times a year.

In addition to the Trustees, there are non-voting co-opted members of the Executive Committee who are not Trustees.

Trustees and co-opted members consider their training needs at least once a year to ensure the effective governance of the Charitable company and are invited to attend specific courses to develop their competencies for their respective roles as deemed necessary.

CHARITABLE OBJECTS

To promote the advancement of education in the Christian values of justice and peace by charitable means, in particular by:

- promoting the work of justice and peace;
- working in conjunction with the Roman Catholic bishops of England and Wales and their agencies to advance the practice of social teaching of the catholic church by the encouragement and support of diocesan Justice and Peace groups and other bodies that share their concern to bring the good news of Christ's love and peace to people who are disadvantaged and to work to empower them to improve their circumstances;
- promoting appropriate prayer, study, celebration and spirituality within religious practice to inspire solidarity with those in need;
- raising awareness about social justice, non-violence, ecological and human rights issues as central to the life of the church and beneficial to the well-being of the community;
- encouraging and promoting work, action and campaigning for social change on issues of justice and peace by raising awareness through provision of training, workshops, conferences, publications and the like; and building networks with all those who share our vision and aims, promoting communication to seek collaboration over action, resources, methods and good practice; and
- in pursuing the objects, the network shall be non-party in politics, ecumenical in approach and shall, in its own activities, implement an effective equal opportunities policy.

REVIEW OF PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES AND PLANS FOR THE FUTURE VISION

National Justice and Peace Network, enlightened by the Gospel vision of God's Kingdom, seeks a world in which:

- there is respect for the integrity of the whole of creation and for the dignity and freedom of every human being;
- people live in peace, without nuclear weapons or trade in arms, seeking non-violent ways of resolving conflict;
- all have access to food, clean water, shelter, health, education and a livelihood;
- there is justice for those who at present have no land, are in debt or are enslaved by their work; and
- the development and use of resources is sustainable.

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MISSION

The Mission of the Charity is to work with all who share our commitment to bring the good news of Christ's love and peace to people who are poor, oppressed or excluded:

- inspiring them through prayer, celebration and a spirituality that informs their whole lives;
- sustaining each other in prophetic witness and in working for change;
- raising awareness of J&P as central to the life of the Church;
- networking and communicating effectively;
- providing training, workshops and conferences; and
- seeking collaboration over resources, ideas and good practice.

Based on the Scriptures - and in particular on the life and teaching of Jesus Christ, on the Church's Social Teaching and on our own faith experience, the values that inspire us are:

- wonder at God's Spirit throughout creation and in every human being;
- love, hope and compassion;
- solidarity and subsidiarity;
- partnership and dialogue;
- care for the whole of creation;
- non-violence and reconciliation; and
- simplicity and sustainability of lifestyle.

ACTIVITIES

In 2022, the Charity planned to:

- hold the National Conference, on the subject of "Hope is a verb – with its sleeves rolled up";
- maintain the Website;
- hold four meetings per year, including two outside London, and to review feedback from these in order to determine future policy;
- apply for funding from CAFOD and look for diverse ways of funding from other sources;
- spend resources, mainly time, seeking sponsorship for the 2022 National Conference;
- continue to liaise closely with its members, related bodies and the Bishops' Conference to strengthen the effectiveness of the Network; and
- hold an extended strategic planning meeting to determine the effectiveness of current activities and examine and implement new activities.
- Continue to develop the Company's database into a valuable customer relations tool.

In 2022, the majority of the planned public activities returned to 'face to face' Meetings. However, the Executive meetings continued via Zoom because of concerns about the lingering fear of Covid infection while travelling on public transport, particularly on the London Underground.

- the Charity organised and ran a National Conference on the subject of "Hope is a verb – with its sleeves rolled up", booked by 146 delegates, including 5 children, from across the UK representing a number of different dioceses as well as interested individuals and other external organisations, which have similar aims in the field of justice and peace;
- the Charity applied for and received approval for a grant from CAFOD. Other grants and donations were received from groups and individuals, specifically for conference and web site maintenance. It employed an Administrator on a part time basis and it is intended to continue to employ staff;
- the website revamp continued with a particular emphasis on ease of maintenance.. The Funding has been obtained for a part time self-employed worker to be responsible for the reworked web site and other social media sites particularly targeting 18 to 40 year olds being successful in funding an e-bulletin project, giving NJPN the opportunity to spread current news, campaigns and for volunteering, covering various topics.
- The Charity held meetings with a regional flavour, two in person and two by Zoom.

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- In April 2022 the self-employed software engineer, very suddenly died at home without any reported warning. This has been a severe blow to the Company's plans for the development of the database. These are on hold pending a review.
- the trustees continued to support three working parties specifically to identify environmental, media and marketing, and future funding of the Charity;
- the executive held a two-day strategic planning meeting to review the rolling, forward planning in September, and made suitable adjustments;
- The charity has been successful in obtaining promise for funding for additional administration tasks and conference;
- The executive continued to closely monitor the effectiveness of the NJPN Administrator and the number of hours worked.

In 2023:

- the National Conference, on the subject of 'Sustainability? Survival or Shutdown', will be held on 23rd to 25th July. The Charity has already paid a non-refundable deposit to secure the same venue for 2024, and expects to book for 2025;
- the Website, its management and costs will continue to be maintained;
- four Network meetings, two outside London, will be held, and feedback from these to be reviewed and future policy determined again these may be 'zoomed' ;
- the Charity will again apply for core funding from CAFOD and will also look for diverse ways of funding from other sources;
- the charity will spend resources, mainly time, seeking sponsorship for the 2023 National Conference and additional core funding for extra hours of administration work;
- the Charity will continue to liaise closely with its members, related bodies and the Bishops' Conference to strengthen the effectiveness of the Network;
- the Charity will continue to support working parties researching environmental injustice, media and marketing, and fundraising; and
- the executive will organise a two-day strategic planning meeting in September to consolidate current activities and plan future activities.
- The executive will continue to closely monitor the effectiveness of the Administrator, and the number of hours worked.

REVIEW OF FINANCIAL POSITION

During the year, the Charity recorded a surplus of £903. This surplus will be added to the Charity's reserves.

The financial performance of the Charity is monitored by Trustees on a regular on-going basis and appropriate action is being attempted to ensure positive reserves at the end of each year.

RESERVES POLICY

The objects of the Charity specify that the income and property of the Network shall be applied solely towards the objects of the Charity and no part shall be paid by way of a dividend.

The Charity aims to have sufficient reserves at year-end to cover salary costs for a nine-month period, thus allowing the following year's Conference to take place. Unrestricted reserves at £51,278 are sufficient to cover a whole year's expenditure at its current rate.

FUND RAISING POLICY

The Trustees will continue to increase membership by advertising on the web site and public meetings, and by application to registered funders for grants for specific projects.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

The company demonstrates public benefit in the following ways:

- 1 Through our Annual Conference and Quarterly Network meetings: (attended by non-members and members)

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- a) **raise awareness** of issues of public concern the charity has hosted 45 annual conferences, eg immigration, asylum and dispersal (2009), food security (2010), and reflected in Conference titles Justice issues in the Workplace (2011), and on China (2012), The message of the Bible in a modern world (2013), The significance of water both spiritually and physically (2015) Morality in Politics (2016), A Sabbath for the Earth and the Poor (2017), In the Shelter of Each Other People Live(2018) Forgotten People Forgotten Places (2019), Post Pandemic Church(2020), Action for Life on Earth (2021), Hope: a Verb with it's sleeves rolled up (2022)
 - b) **analysis** of these issues from the perspective of a radical Christian faith and spirituality;
 - c) **engage** expert speakers to **educate** on the social issues;
 - d) **engage** expert speakers to **educate** on Christian Scriptures and the Church's Social Teaching, particularly on Pope Francis' initiatives;
 - d) **run** workshops
 - i) to **deepen understanding** of the issues
 - ii) provide **training** in support of campaigns
 - iii) developing campaigning **skills**, eg dealing with the media, organising meetings
 - e) provide extended **opportunity for networking** with other activists from around England & Wales;
 - f) **support campaigning and welfare charities** by publicising their work; and
 - f) providing extended **opportunities for Christian prayer** and the development of appropriate pathways to **mature spirituality**.
- 2 Through our website (which is available to all):
- a) **inform** with a list of regional (diocesan) contact people with e-links to their websites;
 - b) **inform** with a list of campaigning organisations on a wide range of social issues with e-links to their websites;
 - c) **inform** with a calendar of events, meetings, conferences, campaigns, on a wide range of social issues around England & Wales, with links and other contact details;
 - d) **offer** a year planner, highlighting recurring special religious days, UN days, and other relevant anniversaries;
 - e) **publicise** a range of resources – articles, reports, etc on social issues;
 - f) **inform and educate** with a library of relevant church documents and official statements on social issues; and
 - g) **support and encourage** web-page visitors in their campaigning and life-style choices by all of the foregoing.
- 3 Through our 3-per-year Newsletter (available to members and non-members), we **inform, support and encourage** all our readers by:
- a) profiling current issues, reports, campaigns;
 - b) profiling new regional contacts;
 - c) profiling a particular campaigning organisation or charity, or regional activity;
 - d) advertising a calendar of events, as 2c above; and
 - e) flagging up new resources and campaigns.
- 4 Through our email group mailings (which is again available to all), we **inform** our subscribers, when possible, via:
- a) a two-weekly E-Bulletin, a round-up of e-mail and other correspondence received at head office;
 - b) providing notice of relevant official statements and press releases from Dioceses and from the Bishops' Conference of England & Wales.
- 5 Through all of the above, together with personal contact with NJPN staff and volunteer trustees, our membership is **encouraged to engage in more effective grass-roots activity** within their local communities.

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RISK MANAGEMENT

The trustees have considered and identified the major risks that could affect the Charity. The trustees consider the existing system of internal controls and procedures to be adequate in mitigating the Charity's exposure to those risks. However, the sudden death on 23/04/2022 of one of our self-employed workers has triggered a search for an alternative source of expertise. In addition, the Charity was alerted in September, to the serious illness of the Treasurer, and immediately enquiries were started to recruit a replacement. In all other respects, the Company is pleased to report that no other incidents (serious or otherwise) took place in 2022.

DIRECTORS, TRUSTEES AND THEIR INTERESTS

The directors and trustees during the period are shown on Page 1. The company has no share capital, being a company limited by guarantee.

TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and 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 the affairs of the Charitable company and of 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;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed and give details of any departures; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charitable company will continue to operate.

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, the Memorandum and Articles of Association and the Statement of Recommended Practice Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2005). 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 independent examiner is 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 independent examiner is aware of that information.

SMALL COMPANY PROVISIONS

For the year ending 31 December 2022 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 of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

By Order of the Board
Kevin Burr, Company secretary

Kevin Burr

Dated

11th October 2023

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Independent Examiner's report to the trustees of the National Justice & Peace Network
I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 December 2022, which are set out on pages 10 to 12.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees (who are also directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with these records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities have not been met; or

- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name: Simon Tweedy CPA

Date:


8/12/2023

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (incorporating an income and expenditure account)
for the year ended 31 December 2022**

Note	Year ended 31/12/2022	Year ended 31/12/2022	Year ended 31/12/2022	Year ended 31/12/2022	Year ended 31/12/2021	Year ended 31/12/2021	Year ended 31/12/2021
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	
Incoming resources from charitable activities							
National Conference	26,876	-	26,876	33,056	-	33,056	
Grants and donations	3,550	17,000	20,550	14,736	5,000	19,736	
Other income	11,369	-	11,369	15,075	-	15,075	
Total incoming resources	41,795	17,000	58,795	62,867	5,000	67,867	
Resources expended (charitable expenditure)							
National Conference	21,519	-	21,519	34,631	-	34,631	
Other	9,298	27,120	36,418	31,783	2,643	34,426	
Total resources expended	30,817	27,120	57,937	66,414	2,643	69,057	
OPERATING SURPLUS	10,978	(10,120)	858	(3,547)	2,357	(1,190)	
Interest receivable	45	-	45	-	-	-	
SURPLUS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	11,023	(10,120)	903	(3,547)	2,357	(1,190)	
Tax credit on ordinary activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	11,023	(10,120)	903	(3,547)	2,357	(1,190)	
Funds brought forward	40,255	20,204	60,459	43,802	17,847	61,649	
Funds carried forward	51,278	10,084	61,362	40,255	20,204	60,459	

The notes on pages 10 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET
As at 31 December

	Notes	2022 £	2022 £	2021 £	2021 £
CURRENT ASSETS					
Prepayments and other debtors	6	9,736		-	
Cash at bank and in hand		68,302		64,885	
			78,038		64,885
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	7		(16,676)		(4,426)
TOTAL ASSETS less CURRENT LIABILITIES			61,362		60,459
RESERVES					
Unrestricted	8	51,278		40,255	
Restricted	9	10,084		20,204	
TOTAL FUNDS			61,362		60,459

For the year ending 31 December 2022 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 of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

Approved by the Board on 11th October 2023 and signed on their behalf by:

Anne T. Peacey.

Anne Peacey
Chair

Kevin Burr

Kevin Burr
Director & Company Secretary

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
for the year ended 31 December 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008) and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and reporting by Charities (2005)".

b) Income

Income (turnover) is the value of goods sold and services provided, together with any grants accrued to the period and donations received from groups and individuals. Income is taken into account when the Charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The company is not registered for value added tax.

c) Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised in the period to which it relates.

d) Cash flow statement

The trustees have taken advantage of the exemption for small companies under the Financial Reporting Standard for smaller entities and consequently, no cash flow statement has been produced.

e) Restricted funds

Where a donor has specified a particular purpose for a grant or donation, the income is shown as restricted income in the Statement of Financial Activities. Any such income not spent at the year-end is shown as a restricted fund in the Balance Sheet.

2. GRANTS AND DONATIONS

Grants and donations consisted of the following:

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total funds	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total funds
	2022	2022	2022	2021	2021	2021
CAFOD grant	-	12,000	12,000	12,000		12,000
Other donations and grants	3,550	5,000	8,550	2,736	5,000	7,736
	<u>3,550</u>	<u>17,000</u>	<u>20,550</u>	<u>14,736</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>19,736</u>

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3. OPERATING SURPLUS

The operating surplus is after charging the following staff costs:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Gross National Insurance	22,427	18,761
Pension arrangements	-	-
	2,090	1,533
	<u>24,517</u>	<u>20,294</u>

The average number of employees during the year was two (2021 – 1).

No Governance costs were incurred.

4. TRUSTEE REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

No director or trustee received any remuneration or other emoluments during the period, although they are reimbursed reasonable expenses incurred for attending meetings. One representative (2021 – 1) claimed such expenses and the total amount reimbursed was £362 (2021 – £36)

5. TAXATION

NJPN is a registered charity and takes advantage of tax exemptions available to charities.

6. DEBTORS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Prepayments	9,736	-
Other debtors	-	-
	<u>9,736</u>	<u>-</u>

7. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Accruals	4,676	4,426
Income in advance	12,000	-
	<u>16,676</u>	<u>4,426</u>

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8. UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	2022	2021 £
Retained surplus brought forward		
(Deficit) / surplus for the period	40,255	43,802
Retained surplus carried forward	11,023	(3,547)
	51,278	40,255

9. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	2022 £ Total	2021 £ Total
Balance brought forward	20,204	17,847
Grants received	17,000	5,000
Expenditure	(27,120)	(2,643)
Balance carried forward	10,084	20,204

10. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Current assets £	Current liabilities £	Fund balances £
Unrestricted funds	55,954	(4,676)	51,278
Restricted funds	22,084	(12,000)	10,084
	78,038	(16,676)	61,362

11. REGISTRATION STATUS

The Company is registered as a company limited by guarantee and not having a share capital. Its trustees, of whom there were six as at 31 December 2022, undertake to contribute in a winding up to a maximum of £1 each.