CENTRE FOR PEACEFUL SOLUTIONS

England & Wales · Charity number 1117611

Details

Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	2007-01-17
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: 2.1) TO ESTABLISH, PROMOTE AND PROVIDE FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT AND THE BETTER PRESERVATION OF PUBLIC ORDER, SERVICES DIRECTED TO THE RESOLUTION OF CONFLICT BETWEEN PERSONS, ORGANISATIONS OR GROUPS WHICH ARISES FROM INTERPERSONAL CONFLICT, PRINCIPALLY THROUGH THE MEANS OF MEDIATION, CONCILIATION AND GROUP FACILITATION AND TO PROVIDE SUCH SERVICES FOR PEOPLE AT RISK OF BECOMING INVOLVED IN SUCH DISPUTES.2.2) TO PROVIDE EDUCATION AND TRAINING CONCERNING THE RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES OR CONFLICTS AND IN PARTICULAR TO PROMOTE UNDERSTANDING OF THE NATURE AND CAUSES OF ANY SUCH DISPUTE OR CONFLICT AND OF THE MEANS OF MANAGING DISPUTES OR CONFLICTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF THEIR PEACEFUL RESOLUTION IN THE INTERESTS OF GOOD CITIZENSHIP.2.3) TO PROMOTE AND PROVIDE EDUCATION AND TRAINING FOR THOSE PERSONS WHO DESIRE TO BECOME MEDIATORS, CONCILIATORS AND FACILITATORS.

Activities: 1) To establish, promote and provide services directed to the resolution of conflict between persons, groups or organisations through mediation. 2) To provide education and training concerning the resolution of disputes or conflicts and in particular to promote understanding of the nature and causes of any such dispute or conflicts. 3) To promote and provide education and training for those person

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Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research
- **What:** Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** NOT DEFINED IN PRACTICE NATIONAL AND OVERSEAS
- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£1,167,378	£1,226,198	£618,693	20
2024-03-31	£1,226,956	£1,138,520	£677,513	20
2023-03-31	£316,300	£181,918	-	-
2022-03-31	£183,977	£159,399	-	-
2021-03-31	£147,809	£56,009	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
MARIA ARPA	Chair	2006-05-22
Noor Akbar		2018-08-15
PAUL ROSE		2012-01-10
Willam Harold Arthur Scoones		2026-05-14

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Trustees Report and Financial Statements
Year Ending 31st March 2025

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Legal and Administrative Information
For the year ended 31 March 2025

Category	Information
Trustees	Maria Arpa MBE (Founder) Andrew Goodman Paul Rose Noor Akbar
Registered Charity Number	1117611
Principal Address	31 Walm Lane, London NW2 5SH
Auditor	Goldwins 75 Maygrove Road. London NW6 2EG
Bankers	CAF Bank Ltd 25 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill West Malling, Kent, ME19 4JQ

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TRUSTEES REPORT FINANCIAL YEAR
2024/25

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Centre for Peaceful Solutions is an unincorporated Association. The charity was founded on 22nd May 2006 and was registered with the Charity Commission on 17 January 2007. The governing document is the constitution which was adopted on 22 May 2006.

Appointment of Trustees

The trustees are listed on page 3. The trustees are appointed on the basis of need for the organisation to have the range of skills, knowledge, and experience to monitor the activities of the organisation and set out policy.

Risk Management

The trustees have overall responsibility for The Centre for Peaceful Solutions' internal system of control. They have approved the policies and procedures that are used in our work. The board continually reviews the working practices.

The Objectives are:-

To establish, promote and provide for the public benefit and the better preservation of public order, services directed to the resolution of conflict between persons, organisations or groups which arises from interpersonal conflict, principally through the means of mediation, conciliation and group facilitation, and to provide such services for people at risk of becoming involved in such disputes.
To provide education and training concerning the resolution of disputes or conflicts and in particular to promote understanding of the nature and causes of any such dispute or conflict, and of the means of managing disputes or conflicts for the purpose of their peaceful resolution in the interests of good citizenship.
To promote and provide education and training for those persons who desire to become mediators, conciliators and facilitators.

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Overview

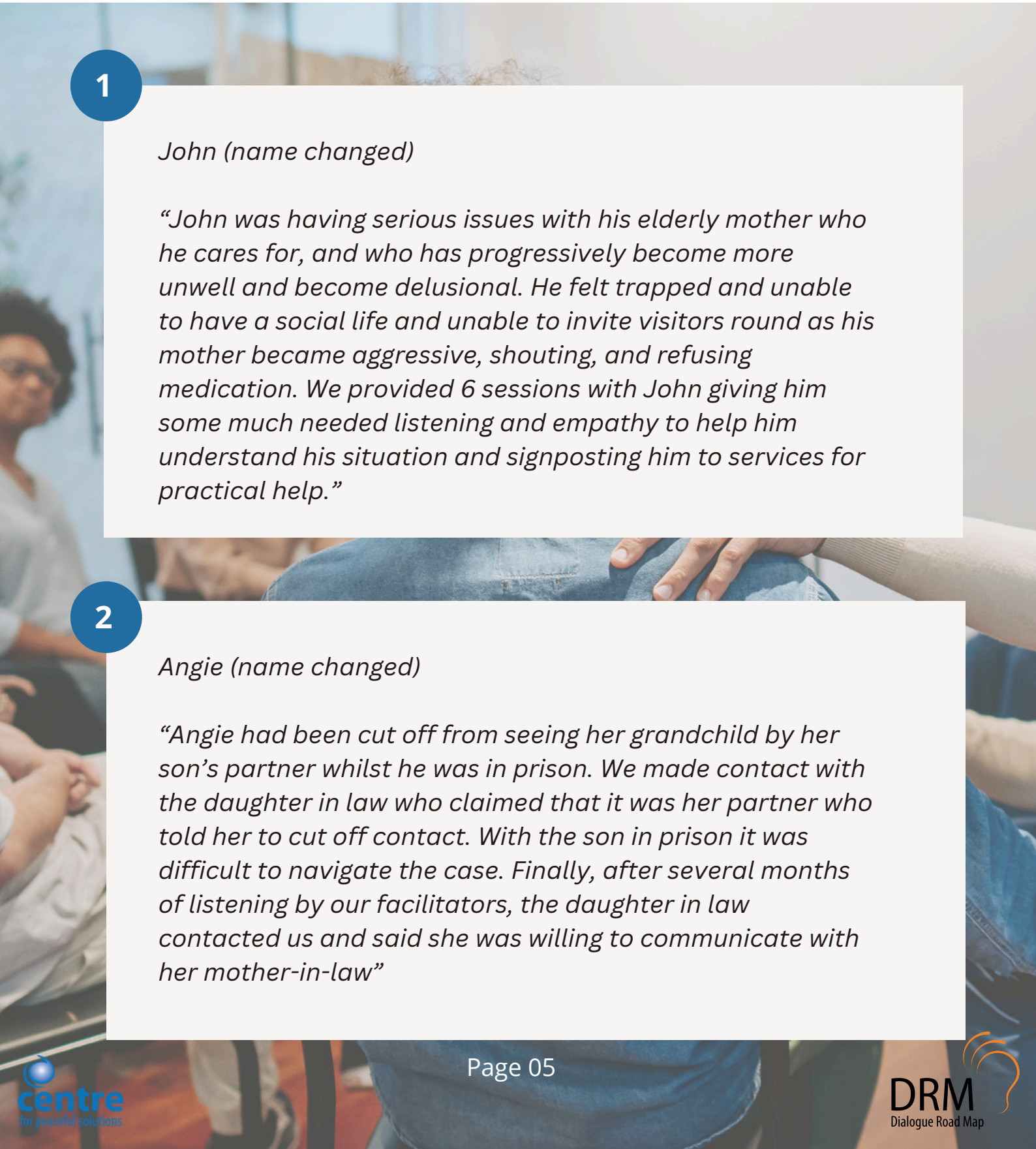
Over the year our prison project was moved to Portland Prison following the closure of Dartmoor Prison. We have also supported prisoners who were Peaceful Solutions Facilitators in the prison as they move to open conditions and out on license. We have expanded our charitable projects in the community located near our charity shops to include asylum seekers, rough sleepers and pathways to work.

Our work with individuals and families

During 2024/25 we have conducted 25 cases. The work is a blend of one to one sessions, mediation casework and family circles. Depending on the presenting problem we recommend a course of sessions to suit the situation.

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For Example:



1

John (name changed)

"John was having serious issues with his elderly mother who he cares for, and who has progressively become more unwell and become delusional. He felt trapped and unable to have a social life and unable to invite visitors round as his mother became aggressive, shouting, and refusing medication. We provided 6 sessions with John giving him some much needed listening and empathy to help him understand his situation and signposting him to services for practical help."

2

Angie (name changed)

"Angie had been cut off from seeing her grandchild by her son's partner whilst he was in prison. We made contact with the daughter in law who claimed that it was her partner who told her to cut off contact. With the son in prison it was difficult to navigate the case. Finally, after several months of listening by our facilitators, the daughter in law contacted us and said she was willing to communicate with her mother-in-law"

Our work in prisons

In 2024/5 Dartmoor prison finally closed. Having connected to the governor at Portland Prison and the Executive Director for the region, we were able to transfer the project to Portland, though this meant starting from scratch.

Early results have been positive with the newly trained Peaceful Solutions Facilitators showing eagerness and enthusiasm for getting the project off the ground. Some early mediations between prisoners were successful and both prisoners and prison officers saw the value. This resulted in one of the mediation participants asking to be trained as a facilitator.

The government changes in release dates meant that several of the trained facilitators moved on to open conditions much earlier than expected resulting in us training a new cohort. There is only one facilitator from the original cohort, and the second cohort is now down to five in the team (out of nine) with three more ready to move by the end of the year.

We have a team of six Dialogue Road Map trained volunteers supporting the project providing wellbeing and support for the Facilitators.

"Being a Facilitator has given me purpose and it's great to help prisoners who are struggling"

"Doing the Self Reflection Pack was a very hard look in the mirror"

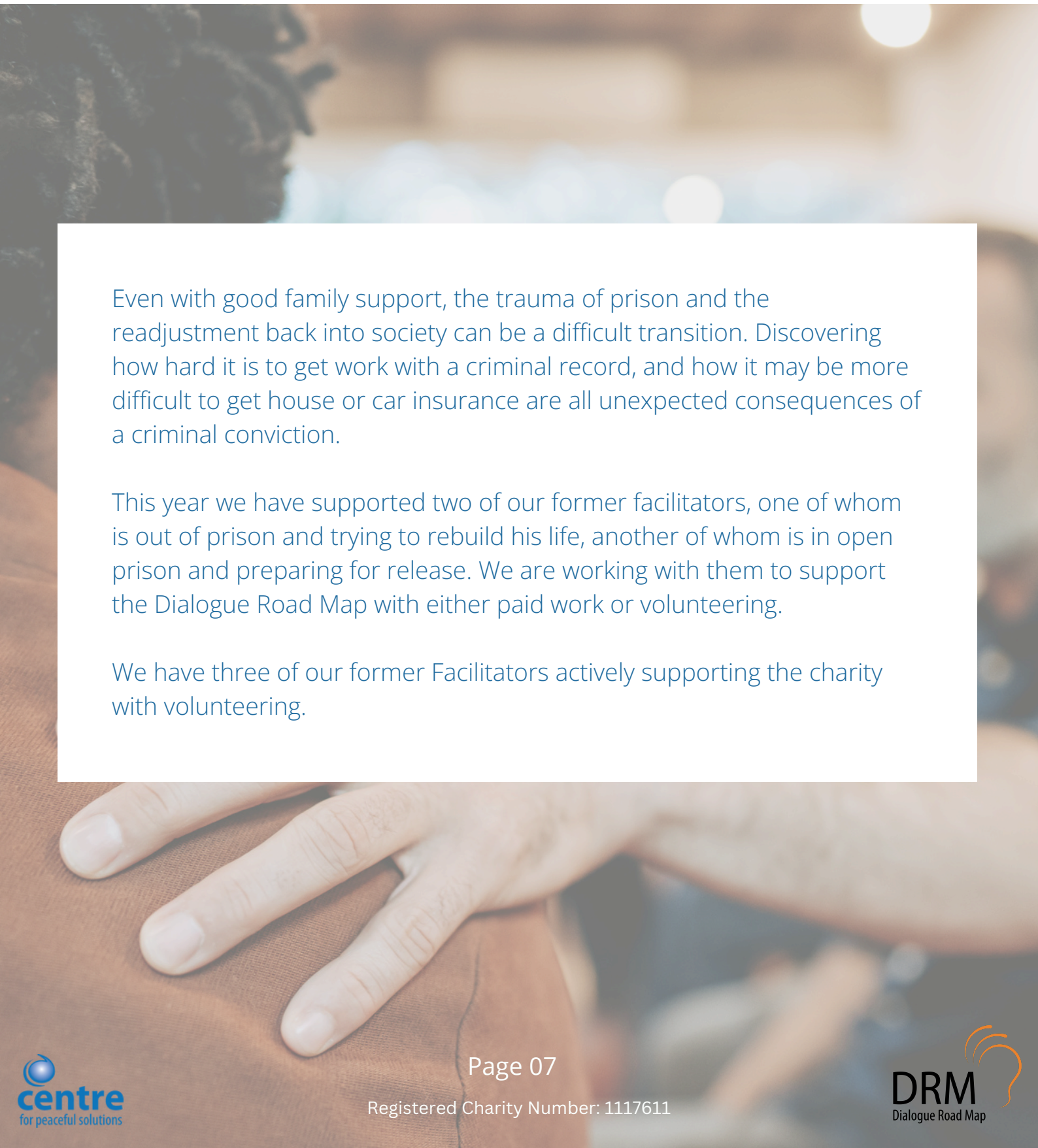
"This is really useful for helping the young prisoners"

"I am a much calmer person now. I don't react and now I get on better with my family"

"I never knew you could talk to people like this. I just used to tell people what to do"

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Life after Prison



Even with good family support, the trauma of prison and the readjustment back into society can be a difficult transition. Discovering how hard it is to get work with a criminal record, and how it may be more difficult to get house or car insurance are all unexpected consequences of a criminal conviction.

This year we have supported two of our former facilitators, one of whom is out of prison and trying to rebuild his life, another of whom is in open prison and preparing for release. We are working with them to support the Dialogue Road Map with either paid work or volunteering.

We have three of our former Facilitators actively supporting the charity with volunteering.

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Our Work In The Community

Using our shops as a base to meet community members we have created a programme of social impact around our seven shops.

Local employment

Each shop has a full time manager, a weekend manager and a supervising manager for all the shops so that we can open 7 days per week. Some of our employees have come from difficult circumstances, and we have nurtured them as part of an inclusive and diverse team.

Volunteering

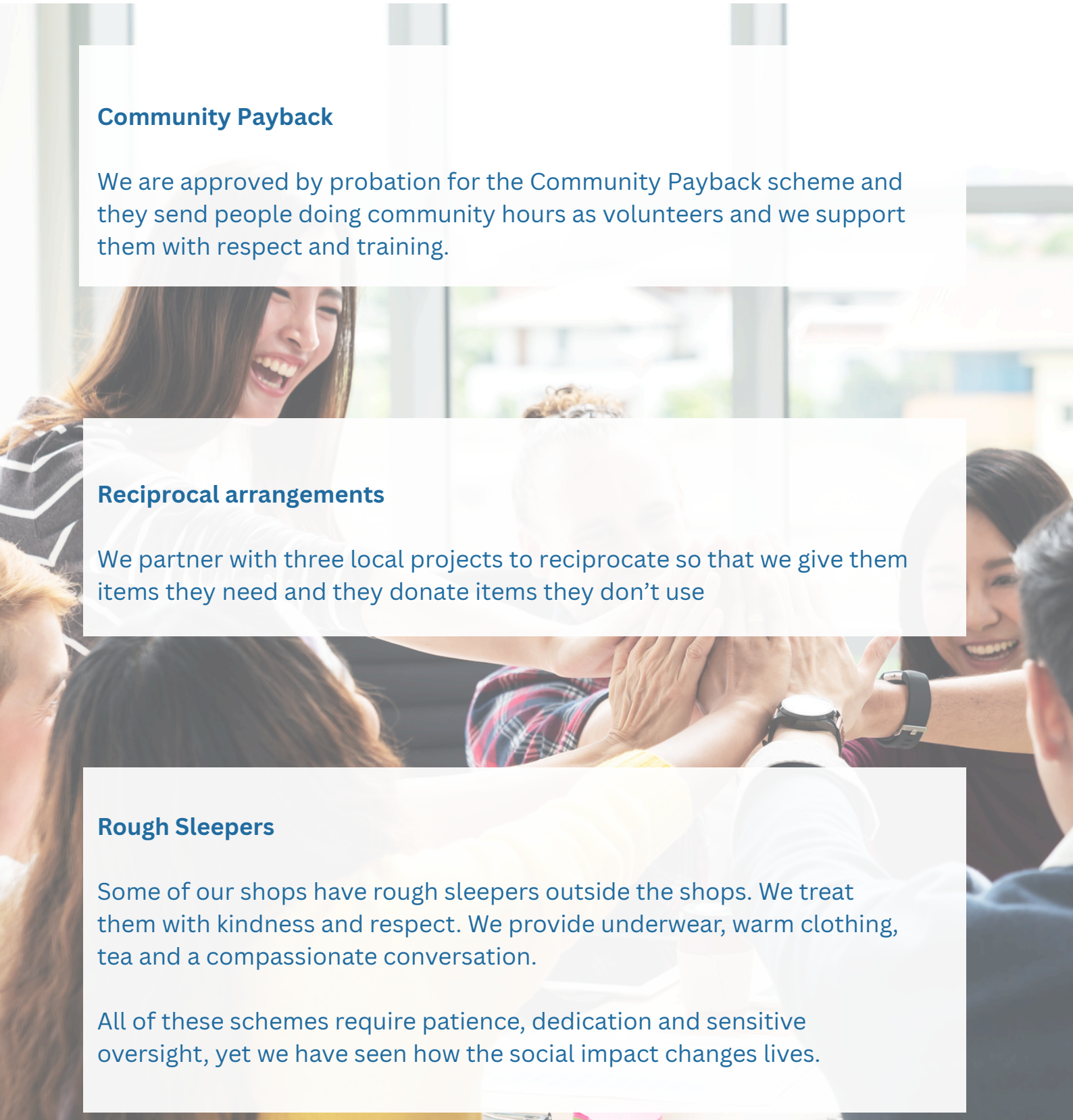
We provide volunteering opportunities to support people to get into employment. We have a programme with the DWP to support long term unemployed people to volunteer, receive retail training, build work experience for their CV, and benefit from a reference, and grow self confidence in the workplace. At least 3 such volunteers have gone on to employment, and 2 volunteers have signed up to an agency where we hire them on a paid basis for part time work.

Asylum Seekers

We work with asylum seekers in Wembley by providing free clothing to those who literally only have the clothes on their back, toys for the children and art materials to a local art charity who uses them to do art projects with families.

From this group we also provide volunteering opportunities for a small cohort so they have meaningful activities and can start to make sense of the local area.

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Community Payback

We are approved by probation for the Community Payback scheme and they send people doing community hours as volunteers and we support them with respect and training.

Reciprocal arrangements

We partner with three local projects to reciprocate so that we give them items they need and they donate items they don't use

Rough Sleepers

Some of our shops have rough sleepers outside the shops. We treat them with kindness and respect. We provide underwear, warm clothing, tea and a compassionate conversation.

All of these schemes require patience, dedication and sensitive oversight, yet we have seen how the social impact changes lives.

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Statement of Public Benefit

In setting our objectives and planning our activities, our trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

CPS is committed to enabling as many people as possible to benefit through casework, participation in workshops, training and volunteering. This year we have supported at least 200 people directly and impacted at least 500 people indirectly.

Financial Review

The main income for 2024/25 came from our charity shop profits and Gift Aid Our aim is to become a sustainable charity through our enterprise therefore reducing reliance on grants, therefore we made investment into growing the charity shop business.

Reserves Policy

The charity can cover its running costs for 6 months. This will enable the charity to meet statutory and contractual responsibilities in the event of ceasing to trade.

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Statement of the Trustees' Responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the association's financial activities during the period and of its financial position at the end of the period.
In preparing accounts giving a true and fair view, the management committee should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the accounts;
- prepare accounts on the going concern basis.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the law. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and for taking the reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

By the order of the trustees



Signed
Maria Arpa, Chairperson
Date: 28/10/2025

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Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Centre for Peaceful Solutions for the year ended 31 March 2025 which comprise the consolidated Statement of Financial Activities, the consolidated and parent charity Balance Sheet, consolidated Statement of Cash Flows and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in the preparation of the group financial statements is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102: The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and the parent charity's affairs as at 31 March 2025 and of the group's income and expenditure for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice;
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

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 Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the group and the parent charity 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 group's and the parent charity'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 other information comprises the information included in the trustees' annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. 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.

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 course of 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.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the group and the parent charity and their environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Trustees' Annual Report.
We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities Act 2011 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- sufficient accounting records have not been kept;
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not obtained all the information and explanations necessary for the purposes of our audit.

Responsibilities of the trustees

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement, the trustees 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 they 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 group's and parent charity'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 Charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

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 an auditor's report 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 are set out below.

Capability of the audit in detecting irregularities
In identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, our procedures included the following:

- We enquired of management, which included obtaining and reviewing supporting documentation, concerning the group's and parent charity's policies and procedures relating to:

1. Identifying, evaluating, and complying with laws and regulations and whether they were aware of any instances of non-compliance;
2. Detecting and responding to the risks of fraud and whether they have knowledge of any actual, suspected, or alleged fraud;

- We inspected the minutes of meetings of those charged with governance.

- We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory framework that the group and the parent charity operate in, focusing on those laws and regulations that had a material effect on the financial statements or that had a fundamental effect on the operations of the group and the parent charity from our professional and sector experience.
- We reviewed the financial statement disclosures and tested these to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
- We performed analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships that may indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud.
- In addressing the risk of fraud through management override of controls, we tested the appropriateness of journal entries and other adjustments, assessed whether the judgements made in making accounting estimates are indicative of a potential bias and tested significant transactions that are unusual or those outside the normal course of business.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulations. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation.

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*]. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and the regulations made under section 154 of that Act. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's 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 charity's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

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Goldwins Limited
Statutory Auditor
Chartered Accountants
75 Maygrove Road
West Hampstead
London NW6 2EG

28 October 2025

Centre for Peaceful Solutions

Consolidated statement of financial activities (incorporating an income and expenditure account)

For the year ended 31 March 2025

	Note	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	**2025 Total £**	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2024 Total £
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	2	80,843	1,685	**82,528**	100,118	1,182	101,300
Charitable activities							
Dialogue Road Map	3	-	19,502	**19,502**	-	42,140	42,140
Other trading activities	4	1,058,899	-	**1,058,899**	1,082,773	-	1,082,773
Investments	5	6,449	-	**6,449**	743	-	743
Total income		**1,146,191**	**21,187**	**1,167,378**	1,183,634	43,322	1,226,956
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds	6	-	-	**-**	-	-	-
Charitable activities							
Dialogue Road Map	6	10,975	88,193	**99,168**	12,621	72,279	84,900
Digital activity	6	14,499	-	**14,499**	18,155	-	18,155
Research and development	6	11,880	-	**11,880**	9,633	-	9,633
Prisons and Life After Prison	6	5,423	43,577	**49,000**	12,414	71,096	83,510
Schools	6	-	-	**-**	485	2,780	3,265
Trading subsidiary costs	6	1,051,651	-	**1,051,651**	939,057	-	939,057
Total expenditure		**1,094,428**	**131,770**	**1,226,198**	992,365	146,155	1,138,520
Net income / (expenditure) for the year	7	**51,763**	**(110,583)**	**(58,820)**	191,269	(102,833)	88,436
Transfers between funds		(68,881)	68,881	**-**	(1,482)	1,482	-
Net movement in funds		(17,118)	(41,702)	**(58,820)**	189,787	(101,351)	88,436
Reconciliation of funds:							
Total funds brought forward		451,176	226,337	**677,513**	261,389	327,688	589,077
Total funds carried forward		**434,058**	**184,635**	**618,693**	451,176	226,337	677,513

All of the above results are derived from continuing activities. There were no other recognised gains or losses other than those stated above. The attached notes form part of these financial statements.

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Balance sheet

As at 31 March 2025

	Note	Group 2025 £	Charity 2025 £	Group 2024 £	Charity 2024 £
Fixed assets:					
Tangible assets	12	**125,056**	**-**	162,322	-
Investments in subsidiaries	13	**-**	**1**	-	1
		125,056	**1**	162,322	1
Current assets:					
Debtors	14	**152,978**	**89,367**	153,950	135,814
Cash at bank and in hand		**427,554**	**350,083**	439,041	361,429
		580,532	**439,450**	592,991	497,243
Liabilities:					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	**(54,476)**	**(7,505)**	(38,909)	(29,357)
Net current assets		**526,056**	**431,945**	554,081	467,886
Total assets less current liabilities		**651,112**	**431,946**	716,403	467,887
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year		**(32,419)**	**-**	(38,890)	-
Net assets		**618,693**	**431,946**	677,513	467,887
The funds of the charity:	17a				
Restricted income funds		**184,635**	**193,007**	226,337	239,088
Unrestricted income funds:					
Designated funds		**92,425**	**152,839**	75,878	129,013
General funds		**341,633**	**86,100**	375,298	99,786
Total unrestricted funds		**434,058**	**238,939**	451,176	228,799
Total charity funds		**618,693**	**431,946**	677,513	467,887

Approved by the trustees on 28th October 2025 and signed on their behalf by



M Arpa
Chair

Centre for Peaceful Solutions

Statement of cash flows

For the year ended 31 March 2025

	2025		2024	
	£	**£**	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities				
Net income / (expenditure) for the reporting period (as per the statement of financial activities)	**(58,820)**		88,436	
Depreciation charges	**41,970**		40,794	
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	**972**		(29,416)	
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	**9,096**		(46,807)	
Net cash provided by / (used in) operating activities		**(6,783)**		53,007
Cash flows from investing activities:				
(Purchase) of fixed assets	**(4,704)**		(200,313)	
Net cash provided by / (used in) investing activities		**(4,704)**		(200,313)
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year		**(11,487)**		(147,306)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		**439,041**		586,347
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year		**427,554**		439,041

Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	At 1 April 2024	Cash flows	Other non-cash changes	**At 31 March 2025**
	£	£	£	**£**
Cash at bank and in hand	439,041	(11,487)	-	**427,554**
Total cash and cash equivalents	439,041	(11,487)	-	**427,554**

1 Accounting policies

Statutory information

Centre for Peaceful Solutions is an unincorporated charity registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales. The principal place of business is 12 Chamberlayne Road, London, NW10 3JD.

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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) - (Charities SORP FRS 102), The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The group financial statements reflect the results and combined financial position of Centre for Peaceful Solutions and its subsidiary Peaceful Solutions Ltd. As permitted by Charities Act 2011, the parent charity has not presented its own income and expenditure account and related notes.

Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy or note.

In applying the financial reporting framework, the trustees have made a number of subjective judgements, for example in respect of significant accounting estimates. Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. The nature of the estimation means the actual outcomes could differ from those estimates. Any significant estimates and judgements affecting these financial statements are detailed within the relevant accounting policy below.

Public benefit entity

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

The trustees do not consider that there are any sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next reporting period.

Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Income

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and that the amount can be measured reliably.

Income from government and other grants, whether ‘capital’ grants or ‘revenue’ grants, is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred.

For legacies, entitlement is taken as the earlier of the date on which either: the charity is aware that probate has been granted, the estate has been finalised and notification has been made by the executor(s) to the charity that a distribution will be made, or when a distribution is received from the estate. Receipt of a legacy, in whole or in part, is only considered probable when the amount can be measured reliably and the charity has been notified of the executor’s intention to make a distribution. Where legacies have been notified to the charity, or the charity is aware of the granting of probate, and the criteria for income recognition have not been met, then the legacy is a treated as a contingent asset and disclosed if material.

Income received in advance of the provision of a specified service is deferred until the criteria for income recognition are met.

Donations of gifts, services and facilities

Donated professional services and donated facilities are recognised as income when the charity has control over the item or received the service, any conditions associated with the donation have been met, the receipt of economic benefit from the use by the charity of the item is probable and that economic benefit can be measured reliably. In accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102), volunteer time is not recognised so refer to the trustees’ annual report for more information about their contribution.

1 Accounting policies (continued)

On receipt, donated gifts, professional services and donated facilities are recognised on the basis of the value of the gift to the charity which is the amount the charity would have been willing to pay to obtain services or facilities of equivalent economic benefit on the open market; a corresponding amount is then recognised in expenditure in the period of receipt.

Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank.

Fund accounting

Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets these criteria is charged to the fund.

Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources received or generated for the charitable purposes.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular purposes.

Expenditure and irrecoverable VAT

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified under the following activity headings:

Costs of raising funds relate to the costs incurred by the charity in inducing third parties to make voluntary contributions to it, as well as the cost of any activities with a fundraising purpose

Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of delivering programmes to further the purposes of the charity and their associated support costs

Other expenditure represents those items not falling into any other heading

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

Allocation of support costs

Resources expended are allocated to the particular activity where the cost relates directly to that activity. However, the cost of overall direction and administration of each activity, comprising the salary and overhead costs of the central function, is apportioned on the following basis which are an estimate, based on staff time, of the amount attributable to each activity.

Where information about the aims, objectives and projects of the charity is provided to potential beneficiaries, the costs associated with this publicity are allocated to charitable expenditure.

Where such information about the aims, objectives and projects of the charity is also provided to potential donors, activity costs are apportioned between fundraising and charitable activities on the basis of area of literature occupied by each activity.

Dialogue Road Map	33.8%
Digital activity	6.8%
Research and development	5.1%
Prisons and Life After Prison	52.1%
Schools	2.2%

Governance costs are the costs associated with the governance arrangements of the charity. These costs are associated with constitutional and statutory requirements and include any costs associated with the strategic management of the charity's activities.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation costs are allocated to activities on the basis of the use of the related assets in those activities. Assets are reviewed for impairment if circumstances indicate their carrying value may exceed their net realisable value and value in use. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write down the cost of each asset to its estimated residual value over its expected useful life. The depreciation rates in use are as follows:

Fixtures and fittings	5 years

Investments in subsidiaries

Investments in subsidiaries are held at cost.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	**2025 Total £**	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2024 Total £
Donations	9,755	1,685	**11,440**	6,525	1,182	7,707
Gift Aid	71,088	-	**71,088**	93,593	-	93,593
	80,843	1,685	**82,528**	100,118	1,182	101,300

3 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	**2025 Total**	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2024 Total £
Fees - training courses	-	19,502	19,502	-	42,140	42,140
	-	19,502	**19,502**	-	42,140	42,140

All income from charitable activities is restricted

4 Income from other trading income

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	**2025 Total £**	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2024 Total £
Subsidiary's trading income	1,058,899	-	**1,058,899**	1,082,773	-	1,082,773
	1,058,899	**-**	**1,058,899**	1,082,773	-	1,082,773

5 Income from investments

	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
Interest	6,449	743
	6,449	743

All income from investments is unrestricted.

6a Analysis of expenditure (current year)

		Charitable activities									
	Raising funds £	Dialogue Road Map £	Digital activity £	Research and development £	Prisons and Life After Prison £	Schools £	Governance costs £	Support costs £	Trading Subsidiary costs £	**2025 Total £**	2024 Total £
Staff costs (Note 8)	-	51,824	12,539	10,275	25,046	-	7,814		477,886	**585,384**	596,179
Volunteer expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,552	-	**1,552**	7,712
Programme direct costs	-	16,818	-	-	11,141	-	2,635	-	-	**30,593**	43,328
Fundraising	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	**-**	-
Governance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	**-**	1,800
Administration support	-	46	-	-	153	-	2,014	-	-	**2,213**	4,425
Other support costs	-	19,505	355	290	7,237	-	2,034	3,270	-	**32,692**	30,372
Subsidiary trading costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	573,765	**573,765**	454,704
	-	88,193	12,894	10,565	43,577	-	14,496	4,822	1,051,651	**1,226,198**	1,138,520
Support costs	-	2,740	401	328	1,354	-		(4,822)		**-**	-
Governance costs	-	8,236	1,204	987	4,069	-	(14,496)			**-**	-
Total expenditure 2025	**-**	**99,168**	**14,499**	**11,880**	**49,000**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**1,051,651**	**1,226,198**	
Total expenditure 2024	-	84,900	18,155	9,633	83,510	3,265	-	-	939,057		1,138,520

6b Analysis of expenditure (prior year)

		Charitable activities								
	Raising funds £	Dialogue Road Map £	Digital activity £	Research and development £	Prisons and Life After Prison £	Schools £	Governance costs £	Support costs £	Trading Subsidiary costs £	**2024 Total £**
Staff costs (Note 8)	-	38,452	13,356	8,201	44,458	2,780	2,780	1,799	484,353	**596,179**
Volunteer expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,712	-	**7,712**
Programme direct costs	-	24,756	-	-	18,420	-	-	152	-	**43,328**
Fundraising	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	**-**
Governance	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,800	-	-	**1,800**
Administration support	-	-	-	-	40	-	-	4,385	-	**4,425**
Other support costs	-	9,071	2,100		8,178	-	2,943	8,080	-	**30,372**
Subsidiary trading costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	454,704	**454,704**
	-	72,279	15,456	8,201	71,096	2,780	7,523	22,128	939,057	**1,138,520**
Support costs	-	9,419	2,014	1,069	9,264	362	-	(22,128)		**-**
Governance costs	-	3,202	685	363	3,150	123	(7,523)			**-**
Total expenditure 2024	**-**	**84,900**	**18,155**	**9,633**	**83,510**	**3,265**	**-**	**-**	**939,057**	**1,138,520**

7 Net income / (expenditure) for the year

This is stated after charging / (crediting):	**2025**	2024
	£	£
Depreciation	**41,970**	40,794
Audit fees (excluding VAT):	**9,000**	9,000

8 Analysis of staff costs, trustee remuneration and expenses, and the cost of key management personnel

Staff costs were as follows:	**2025**	2024
	£	£
Salaries and wages	**538,822**	540,840
Social security costs	**40,050**	47,852
Employer's contribution to defined contribution pension schemes	**6,512**	7,487
	585,384	596,179

No employee earned more than £60,000 during the year (2024: nil).

The total employee benefits (including pension contributions and employer's national insurance) of the key management personnel were £115,842 (2024: £115,842).

Trustees' remuneration and benefits

	2025	2024
	£	£
Trustees' salaries	**52,000**	52,000
Trustees' social security costs	**5,913**	5,921
	57,913	57,921

In keeping with the conditions of the constitution, Ms M Arpa who is a Trustee and CEO of the charity and is responsible for the delivery of the programmes, is allowed remuneration and expenses. Her remuneration for the year to 31 March 2025 was £52,000 (2024: £52,000).

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2025 (2024: £nil).

9 Staff numbers

The average number of employees (head count based on number of staff employed) during the year was 20 (2024: 20).

10 Related party transactions

Peaceful Solutions Limited is the wholly owned, trading subsidiary of the Charity. It operates charity shops in North London.

Description of transaction	2025	2024
	£	£
Income		
Gift aid raised on sales in the shops, paid direct to the charity	**71,088**	93,593
Donations	**30,127**	68,173
Expenditure		
Management support services	**-**	4,250
Debtors		
Loan - balance outstanding at year end	**84,950**	123,232

11 Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax as all its income is charitable and is applied for charitable purposes.

12 Tangible fixed assets

	Fixtures and fittings
Cost	**£**
At the start of the year	**209,617**
Additions in year	**4,704**
At the end of the year	**214,321**
Depreciation	
At the start of the year	**47,295**
Charge for the year	**41,970**
At the end of the year	**89,265**
Net book value	
At the end of the year	**125,056**
At the start of the year	162,322

All of the above assets are used for charitable purposes.

13a Investment in subsidiaries

	2025 £	2024 £
Cost	**1**	1

Investments comprise:

	2025 £	2024 £
Peaceful Solutions Limited	**1**	1
	1	1

The charity owns the whole of the issued share capital of Peaceful Solutions Limited, a company registered in England. It operates charity shops in North London. All activities have been consolidated on a line by line basis in the statement of financial activities. Available profits are gift aided to the charitable company. A summary of the results of the subsidiary are shown below:

	2025 £	2024 £
Turnover	**1,037,658**	1,066,530
Cost of sales	**(13,986)**	(13,895)
Gross Profit	**1,023,672**	1,052,635
Other operating income	**20,000**	20,000
Investment income	**1,241**	493
Administrative expenses	**(1,037,664)**	(925,162)
Profit for financial year	**7,249**	**147,966**
Retained earnings		
Total retained earnings brought forward	**209,626**	129,833
Profit for the financial year	**7,249**	147,966
Distribution under Gift Aid to parent charity	**(30,127)**	(68,173)
Total retained earnings carried forward	**186,748**	209,626
The aggregate of the assets, liabilities and reserves was:		
Assets	**371,635**	381,301
Liabilities	**(184,887)**	(171,675)
Capital & Reserves	**186,748**	209,626

Amounts owed to/ from the parent undertaking are shown in note 10.

13b Parent Charity

The parent charity's gross income and the results for the year are as follows:	2025 £	2024 £
Gross income	**138,606**	212,356
(Deficit)/Surplus for the year	**(35,941)**	8,643

14 Debtors

	Group 2025 £	Charity 2025 £	Group 2024 £	Charity 2024 £
Trade debtors	**3,741**	**2,417**	11,443	10,582
Other debtors	**149,237**	**2,000**	142,507	2,000
Amounts due from subsidiaries	**-**	**84,950**	-	123,232
	152,978	**89,367**	153,950	135,814

15 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Group 2025 £	Charity 2025 £	Group 2024 £	Charity 2024 £
Trade creditors	**26,497**	**2,063**	1,888	250
Taxation and social security	**7,181**	**5,442**	4,209	2,695
Other creditors	**20,798**	**-**	15,000	8,600
Deferred income	**-**	**-**	17,812	17,812
	54,476	**7,505**	38,909	29,357

Deferred income comprises course fees received in advance. £NIL was deferred in the current year (2024: £17,812)

16 Creditors: amounts falling due more than one year

	Group 2025 £	Charity 2025 £	Group 2024 £	Charity 2024 £
Other creditors	32,419	-	38,890	-
	32,419	**-**	38,890	-

17a Analysis of net assets between funds (current year)

	General unrestricted £	Restricted £	**Total funds £**
Tangible fixed assets	125,056	-	**125,056**
Net current assets	309,002	184,635	**493,637**
Net assets at 31 March 2025	**434,058**	**184,635**	**618,693**

17b Analysis of net assets between funds (prior year)

	General unrestricted £	Restricted £	**Total funds £**
Tangible fixed assets	162,322	-	**162,322**
Net current assets	288,854	226,337	**515,191**
Net assets at 31 March 2024	**451,176**	**226,337**	**677,513**

18a Movements in funds (current year)

	At 1 April 2024 £	Income & gains £	Expenditure & losses £	Transfers £	**At 31 March 2025 £**
Restricted funds:					
Prison Services	200,451	1,875	(43,577)	-	**158,749**
Schools	15,886	-	-	-	**15,886**
Dialogue Road Map	-	19,312	(88,193)	68,881	**-**
Sainsbury's Project	10,000	-	-	-	**10,000**
Total restricted funds	**226,337**	**21,187**	**(131,770)**	**68,881**	**184,635**
Unrestricted funds:					
Designated funds:					
Prison Services	48,735	38,581	-	-	**87,316**
Schools	4,767	342	-	-	**5,109**
Dialogue Road Map	22,376	27,410	-	(49,786)	**-**
	75,878	**66,333**	**-**	**(49,786)**	**92,425**
General funds	375,298	1,079,858	(1,094,428)	(19,095)	**341,633**
Total unrestricted funds	**451,176**	**1,146,191**	**(1,094,428)**	**(68,881)**	**434,058**
Total funds	**677,513**	**1,167,378**	**(1,226,198)**	**-**	**618,693**

The narrative to explain the purpose of each fund is given at the foot of the note below.

18b Movements in funds (prior year)

	At 1 April 2023 £	Income & gains £	Expenditure & losses £	Transfers £	At 30 March 2024 £
Restricted funds:					
Prison Services	267,115	4,432	(71,096)	-	200,451
Schools	18,666	-	(2,780)	-	15,886
Dialogue Road Map	31,907	38,890	(72,279)	1,482	-
Sainsbury's Project	10,000	-	-	-	10,000
Total restricted funds	327,688	43,322	(146,155)	1,482	226,337
Unrestricted funds:					
Designated funds:					
Prison Services	-	48,735	-	-	48,735
Schools	-	4,767	-	-	4,767
Dialogue Road Map	-	23,858	-	(1,482)	22,376
	-	77,360	-	(1,482)	75,878
General funds	261,389	1,106,274	(992,365)	-	375,298
Total unrestricted funds	261,389	1,183,634	(992,365)	(1,482)	451,176
Total funds	589,077	1,226,956	(1,138,520)	-	677,513

18c Purposes of restricted funds

Prison Services
The Prison Services fund was originally funded by a private donation prior to COVID-19. Since then a portion of the Gift Aid revenue has been allocated to the fund. The project was unable to continue during the pandemic but has since restarted and we anticipate the funds being called upon as we grow the project.

The original intention of raising funds via the trading subsidiary, Peaceful Solutions Ltd, was to fund this project without reliance on funding from the public purse which is not a secure income stream. The work is not suitable to be delivered under contract.

Schools
A portion of the Gift Aid revenue has been allocated to the fund in the current and previous years. When schools were closed during the pandemic we were unable to continue our work. We plan to restart the project.

Dialogue Road Map
Income is received from people who can afford to pay for training as well as a portion of the Gift Aid revenue. The funds are restricted to use on trainings and to support casework and training for people who cannot afford to pay.

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DRM Dialogue Road Map

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Legal and Administrative Information
For the year ended 31 March 2024

Trustees	Maria Arpa MBE (Founder) Andrew Goodman Paul Rose Noor Akbar
Registered Charity Number	1117611
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TRUSTEES REPORT FINANCIAL YEAR
2023/24

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Centre for Peaceful Solutions is an unincorporated Association. The charity was founded on 22nd May 2006 and was registered with the Charity Commission on 17 January 2007. The governing document is the constitution which was adopted on 22 May 2006.

APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEES

The trustees are listed on page 3. The trustees are appointed on the basis of need for the organisation to have the range of skills, knowledge, and experience to monitor the activities of the organisation and set out policy.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The trustees have overall responsibility for The Centre for Peaceful Solutions' internal system of control. They have approved the policies and procedures that are used in our work. The board continually reviews the working practices.

The Objectives are:-

To establish, promote and provide for the public benefit and the better preservation of public order, services directed to the resolution of conflict between persons, organisations or groups which arises from interpersonal conflict, principally through the means of mediation, conciliation and group facilitation, and to provide such services for people at risk of becoming involved in such disputes.
To provide education and training concerning the resolution of disputes or conflicts and in particular to promote understanding of the nature and causes of any such dispute or conflict, and of the means of managing disputes or conflicts for the purpose of their peaceful resolution in the interests of good citizenship.
To promote and provide education and training for those persons who desire to become mediators, conciliators and facilitators.

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ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Overview

Over this year our work in Dartmoor Prison reached peak performance with recognition from the Governor, Lord Farmer and The regional Executive Director. At the same time we expanded
our charity shop business taking on another three shops in anticipation of taking the project into other prisons.

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Our Work with Individuals and Families

During 2023/24 we have conducted forty six cases. The work is a blend of one to one sessions, mediation casework and family circles. Depending on the presenting problem we recommend a course of sessions to suit the situation.



For example:

Annie and Jane (names changed)

Annie is Jane's adult daughter. Annie made a decision that Jane could no longer babysit Sam, Annie's 2 year old and Jane's grandson. All attempts to discuss the matter resulted in escalated arguments. When Jane contacted us she was angry and upset.
Annie agreed to talk to our Facilitator and over a series of one to one sessions agreed to speak with her mother in a facilitated meeting. They were able to discuss areas of disagreement and find enough common ground for Sam to be able to see his Grandmother alongside some further healing work for their relationship. **"I understand now why it is important to use a mediator when relationships get stuck"**

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John (name changed)

John was often seen outside one of our charity shops. When the manager mentioned this we coached her to approach him and find out if we wanted to speak to someone. He agreed. John's mental health problems meant that he had lost his voice in society with family and statutory services unable to understand and cope with his behaviour. In reposne he had become withdrawn and suicidal. During sessions with his Facilitator he learned that he did have the power to articulate himself and we mentored him to express himself in ways that were more likely to be received. He felt empowered enough to speak to his GP and get the help he needed. "I realised that no one could understand me so they helped me to express myself and I felt much better when I realised I could explain my feelings."
Through our charity shops we have also supported over one hundred Assylum Seekers in distress.
With language being a barrier to communication we were able to source and Arabic and Farsi speaker from our DRM Facilitators.

Our work in prisons

In 2023 our trained Prisoners in Dartmoor Prison reached peak performance. In a six month period our 9 DRM Facilitators were able to reach 150 prisoners across the prison with each of the 150 participants receiving at least 4 one hour sessions. The effects on the prison were tangible in reducing violence and disturbance to the point where there were no mediations needed. By working with prisoners before escalation, we were able to change the culture in the prison.

With Prisoners leaving and moving on to Cat D we trained another cohort who were beginning their journey of succession. Unfortunately, high levels of Radon Gas were detected in the prison early in 2024 and this has led to prisoners being moved for health and safety reasons.

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Facilitators have been moved across the country to other prisons. The future of Dartmoor Prison and therefore the project is uncertain.
We are keeping in touch with our Facilitators and taking time to visit them in their new prisons to keep some momentum and not lose the investment in skills. Meanwhile, we are currently negotiating with Portland Prison to transfer the project with the support of the Governor and Area Management Team.

Feedback From Our Prison Work

"IN RECOGNITION OF THE SUCCESS OF PEACEFUL SOLUTIONS AT DARTMOOR, WHERE IT STARTED AND WHERE IT BELONGS"

Governor

"PEACEFUL SOLUTIONS FACILITATORS HAVE BROUGHT ABOUT CHANGES IN PRISONERS THAT PROFESSIONALS HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO INVOKE"

Offender Management Team

"THE CHANGES IN PRISONERS WHO HAVE BEEN TO PEACEFUL SOLUTIONS IS A GIFT TO THE STAFF"

Offender Management Team

"SOME EXCELLENT WORK DONE BY THE PEACEFUL SOLUTIONS SCHEME WERE HELPING TO TRANSFORM THE LIVES OF SOME TROUBLED PRISONERS"

HM Prisons Inspectorate
Report on unannounced inspection

"THE ONE TO ONE SESSIONS WITH PEACEFUL SOLUTIONS PREVENTED A PRISONER FROM BECOMING VIOLENT AFTER HE THREATENED ANOTHER PRISONER"

Chaplaincy

Life after Prison

Even with good family support, the trauma of prison and the readjustment back into society can be a difficult transition. Discovering how hard it is to get work with a criminal record, and how it may be more difficult to get house or car insurance are all unexpected consequences of a criminal conviction.

For example, Steve (name changed) started receiving anonymous hate mail from the community. He was refused house insurance because of the high risk of his house being targeted.

In another example, Pete (name changed) was met by a family member who immediately offered to supply him with drugs. With support from a DRM Facilitator both of them received emotional support at a critical moment which helped them to stay focussed on their intentions to stay on the right path.

We are able to support people in our network and have a small group of beneficiaries that can call on our mentorship when tensions and difficulties arise. At these times they can rely on confidential empathic care and strategic thinking.



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Statement of Public Benefit

In setting our objectives and planning our activities, our trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

CPS is committed to enabling as many people as possible to benefit through casework, participation in workshops, training and volunteering. This year we have supported at least 200 people directly and impacted at least 500 people indirectly.

Financial Review

The main income for 2023/24 came from our charity shop profits and Gift Aid Our aim is to become a sustainable charity through our enterprise therefore reducing reliance on grants, therefore we made investment into growing the charity shop business.

Reserves Policy

The charity can cover its running costs for 6 months. This will enable the charity to meet statutory and contractual responsibilities in the event of ceasing to trade.

Statement of the Trustees' Responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the association's financial activities during the period and of its financial position at the end of the period.
In preparing accounts giving a true and fair view, the management committee should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the accounts;
- prepare accounts on the going concern basis.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the law. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and for taking the reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

By the order of the trustees



Signed
Maria Arpa, Chairperson
Date: 11 th October 2024

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Independent Auditor's report to the Trustees of
Centre for Peaceful Solutions

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Centre for Peaceful Solutions for the year ended 31 March 2024 which comprise the consolidated Statement of Financial Activities, the consolidated and parent charity Balance Sheet, consolidated Statement of Cash Flows and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in the preparation of the group financial statements is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102: The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).
In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and the parent charity's affairs as at 31 March 2024 and of the group's income and expenditure for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice;
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

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 Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the group and the parent charity 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.

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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 group's and the parent charity'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 other information comprises the information included in the trustees' annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. 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.

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 course of 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.

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Independent Auditor's report to the Trustees of
Centre for Peaceful Solutions

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the group and the parent charity and their environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Trustees' Annual Report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities Act 2011 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- sufficient accounting records have not been kept;
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not obtained all the information and explanations necessary for the purposes of our audit.

Responsibilities of the trustees

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement, the trustees 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 they 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 group's and parent charity'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 Charity 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 an auditor's report 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 are set out below.

Capability of the audit in detecting irregularities
In identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, our procedures included the following:

- We enquired of management, which included obtaining and reviewing supporting documentation, concerning the group's and parent charity's policies and procedures relating to:

1. Identifying, evaluating, and complying with laws and regulations and whether they were aware of any instances of non-compliance;
2. Detecting and responding to the risks of fraud and whether they have knowledge of any actual, suspected, or alleged fraud;

- We inspected the minutes of meetings of those charged with governance.
- We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory framework that the group and the parent charity operate in, focusing on those laws and regulations that had a material effect on the financial statements or that had a fundamental effect on the operations of the group and the parent charity from our professional and sector experience.
- We reviewed the financial statement disclosures and tested these to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
- We performed analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships that may indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud.
- In addressing the risk of fraud through management override of controls, we tested the appropriateness of journal entries and other adjustments, assessed whether the judgements made in making accounting estimates are indicative of a potential bias and tested significant transactions that are unusual or those outside the normal course of business.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulations.

This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation.

- We inspected the minutes of meetings of those charged with governance.

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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]. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and the regulations made under section 154 of that Act. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's 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 charity's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

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Statutory Auditor
Chartered Accountants
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London NW6 2EG

9 November 2024

Centre for Peaceful Solutions

Consolidated statement of financial activities (incorporating an income and expenditure account)

For the year ended 31 March 2024

	Note	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	**2024 Total £**	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2023 Total £
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	2	100,118	1,182	**101,300**	20,707	97,652	118,359
Charitable activities							
Dialogue Road Map	3	-	42,140	**42,140**	-	26,738	26,738
Other trading activities	4	1,082,773	-	**1,082,773**	904,795	-	904,795
Investments	5	743	-	**743**	484	-	484
Total income		**1,183,634**	**43,322**	**1,226,956**	925,986	124,390	1,050,376
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds	6	-	-	**-**	1,530	-	1,530
Charitable activities							
Dialogue Road Map	6	12,621	72,279	**84,900**	13,454	44,360	57,814
Digital activity	6	18,155	-	**18,155**	9,441	-	9,441
Research and development	6	9,633	-	**9,633**	6,420	-	6,420
Prisons and Life After Prison	6	12,414	71,096	**83,510**	20,710	68,282	88,992
Schools	6	485	2,780	**3,265**	739	2,943	3,682
Trading subsidiary costs	6	939,057	-	**939,057**	751,122	-	751,122
Total expenditure		**992,365**	**146,155**	**1,138,520**	803,416	115,585	919,001
Net income / (expenditure) for the year	7	**191,269**	**(102,833)**	**88,436**	122,570	8,805	131,375
Transfers between funds		(1,482)	1,482	**-**	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		189,787	(101,351)	**88,436**	122,570	8,805	131,375
Reconciliation of funds:							
Total funds brought forward		261,389	327,688	**589,077**	138,819	318,883	457,702
Total funds carried forward		**451,176**	**226,337**	**677,513**	261,389	327,688	589,077

All of the above results are derived from continuing activities. There were no other recognised gains or losses other than those stated above. The attached notes form part of these financial statements.

Centre for Peaceful Solutions

Balance sheet

As at 31 March 2024

	Note	Group 2024 £	Charity 2024 £	Group 2023 £	Charity 2023 £
Fixed assets:					
Tangible assets	12	**162,322**	**-**	2,803	-
Investments in subsidiaries	13	**-**	**1**	-	2
		162,322	**1**	2,803	2
Current assets:					
Debtors	14	**153,950**	**135,814**	124,533	165,759
Cash at bank and in hand		**439,041**	**361,429**	586,347	359,247
		592,991	**497,243**	710,880	525,006
Liabilities:					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	**(38,910)**	**(29,357)**	(82,358)	(65,764)
Net current assets		**554,081**	**467,886**	628,522	459,242
Total assets less current liabilities		**716,403**	**467,887**	631,325	459,244
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year		**(38,890)**	**-**	(42,248)	-
Net assets		**677,513**	**467,887**	589,077	459,244
The funds of the charity:	17a				
Restricted income funds		**226,337**	**239,088**	327,688	341,921
Unrestricted income funds:					
Designated funds		**75,878**	**129,013**	-	-
General funds		**375,298**	**99,786**	261,389	117,323
Total unrestricted funds		**451,176**	**228,799**	261,389	117,323
Total charity funds		**677,513**	**467,887**	589,077	459,244

Approved by the trustees on 11 October 2024 and signed on their behalf by



M Arpa
Chair

Centre for Peaceful Solutions

Statement of cash flows

For the year ended 31 March 2024

	2024		2023	
	£	**£**	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities				
Net income / (expenditure) for the reporting period (as per the statement of financial activities)	**88,436**		131,375	
Depreciation charges	**40,794**		205	
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	**(29,416)**		(45,005)	
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	**(46,807)**		16,136	
Net cash provided by / (used in) operating activities		**53,007**		102,711
Cash flows from investing activities:				
(Purchase) of fixed assets	**(200,313)**		(2,925)	
Net cash provided by / (used in) investing activities		**(200,313)**		(2,925)
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year		**(147,306)**		99,786
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		**586,347**		486,561
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year		**439,041**		586,347

Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	At 1 April 2023	Cash flows	Other non-cash changes	**At 31 March 2024**
	£	£	£	**£**
Cash at bank and in hand	586,347	(147,306)	-	**439,041**
Total cash and cash equivalents	586,347	(147,306)	-	**439,041**

1 Accounting policies

Statutory information

Centre for Peaceful Solutions is an unincorporated charity registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales. The principal place of business is 12 Chamberlayne Road, London, NW10 3JD.

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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) - (Charities SORP FRS 102), The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The group financial statements reflect the results and combined financial position of Centre for Peaceful Solutions and its subsidiary Peaceful Solutions Ltd. As permitted by Charities Act 2011, the parent charity has not presented its own income and expenditure account and related notes.

Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy or note.

In applying the financial reporting framework, the trustees have made a number of subjective judgements, for example in respect of significant accounting estimates. Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. The nature of the estimation means the actual outcomes could differ from those estimates. Any significant estimates and judgements affecting these financial statements are detailed within the relevant accounting policy below.

Public benefit entity

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

The trustees do not consider that there are any sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next reporting period.

Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Income

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and that the amount can be measured reliably.

Income from government and other grants, whether ‘capital’ grants or ‘revenue’ grants, is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred.

For legacies, entitlement is taken as the earlier of the date on which either: the charity is aware that probate has been granted, the estate has been finalised and notification has been made by the executor(s) to the charity that a distribution will be made, or when a distribution is received from the estate. Receipt of a legacy, in whole or in part, is only considered probable when the amount can be measured reliably and the charity has been notified of the executor’s intention to make a distribution. Where legacies have been notified to the charity, or the charity is aware of the granting of probate, and the criteria for income recognition have not been met, then the legacy is a treated as a contingent asset and disclosed if material.

Income received in advance of the provision of a specified service is deferred until the criteria for income recognition are met.

Donations of gifts, services and facilities

Donated professional services and donated facilities are recognised as income when the charity has control over the item or received the service, any conditions associated with the donation have been met, the receipt of economic benefit from the use by the charity of the item is probable and that economic benefit can be measured reliably. In accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102), volunteer time is not recognised so refer to the trustees’ annual report for more information about their contribution.

1 Accounting policies (continued)

On receipt, donated gifts, professional services and donated facilities are recognised on the basis of the value of the gift to the charity which is the amount the charity would have been willing to pay to obtain services or facilities of equivalent economic benefit on the open market; a corresponding amount is then recognised in expenditure in the period of receipt.

Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank.

Fund accounting

Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets these criteria is charged to the fund.

Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources received or generated for the charitable purposes.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular purposes.

Expenditure and irrecoverable VAT

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified under the following activity headings:

Costs of raising funds relate to the costs incurred by the charity in inducing third parties to make voluntary contributions to it, as well as the cost of any activities with a fundraising purpose

Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of delivering programmes to further the purposes of the charity and their associated support costs

Other expenditure represents those items not falling into any other heading

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

Allocation of support costs

Resources expended are allocated to the particular activity where the cost relates directly to that activity. However, the cost of overall direction and administration of each activity, comprising the salary and overhead costs of the central function, is apportioned on the following basis which are an estimate, based on staff time, of the amount attributable to each activity.

Where information about the aims, objectives and projects of the charity is provided to potential beneficiaries, the costs associated with this publicity are allocated to charitable expenditure.

Where such information about the aims, objectives and projects of the charity is also provided to potential donors, activity costs are apportioned between fundraising and charitable activities on the basis of area of literature occupied by each activity.

Dialogue Road Map	33.8%
Digital activity	6.8%
Research and development	5.1%
Prisons and Life After Prison	52.1%
Schools	2.2%

Governance costs are the costs associated with the governance arrangements of the charity. These costs are associated with constitutional and statutory requirements and include any costs associated with the strategic management of the charity's activities.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation costs are allocated to activities on the basis of the use of the related assets in those activities. Assets are reviewed for impairment if circumstances indicate their carrying value may exceed their net realisable value and value in use. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write down the cost of each asset to its estimated residual value over its expected useful life. The depreciation rates in use are as follows:

Fixtures and fittings	5 years

Investments in subsidiaries

Investments in subsidiaries are held at cost.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	**2024 Total £**	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2023 Total £
Donations	6,525	1,182	**7,707**	1,374	20,257	21,631
Gift Aid	93,593	-	**93,593**	19,333	77,395	96,728
	100,118	1,182	**101,300**	20,707	97,652	118,359

3 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	**2024 Total**	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2023 Total £
Fees - training courses	-	42,140	42,140	-	26,738	26,738
	-	42,140	**42,140**	-	26,738	26,738

All income from charitable activities is restricted

4 Income from other trading income

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	**2024 Total £**	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2023 Total £
Subsidiary's trading income	1,082,773	-	**1,082,773**	904,795	-	904,795
	1,082,773	**-**	**1,082,773**	904,795	-	904,795

5 Income from investments

	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Interest	743	484
	743	484

All income from investments is unrestricted.

6a Analysis of expenditure (current year)

		Charitable activities									
	Raising funds £	Dialogue Road Map £	Digital activity £	Research and development £	Prisons and Life After Prison £	Schools £	Governance costs £	Support costs £	Trading Subsidiary costs £	**2024 Total £**	2023 Total £
Staff costs (Note 8)	-	38,452	13,356	8,201	44,458	2,780	2,780	1,799	484,353	**596,179**	527,714
Volunteer expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,712	-	**7,712**	16,292
Programme direct costs	-	24,756	-	-	18,420	-	-	152	-	**43,328**	27,814
Fundraising	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	**-**	1,530
Governance	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,800	-	-	**1,800**	1,800
Administration support	-	-	-	-	40	-	-	4,385	-	**4,425**	8,362
Other support costs	-	9,071	2,100		8,178	-	2,943	8,080	-	**30,372**	20,718
Subsidiary trading costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	454,704	**454,704**	314,771
	-	72,279	15,456	8,201	71,096	2,780	7,523	22,128	939,057	**1,138,520**	919,001
Support costs	-	9,419	2,014	1,069	9,264	362		(22,128)		**-**	-
Governance costs	-	3,202	685	363	3,150	123	(7,523)			**-**	-
Total expenditure 2024	**-**	**84,900**	**18,155**	**9,633**	**83,510**	**3,265**	**-**	**-**	**939,057**	**1,138,520**	
Total expenditure 2023	1,530	57,814	9,441	6,420	88,992	3,682	**-**	**-**	751,122		919,001

6b Analysis of expenditure (prior year)

		Charitable activities								
	Raising funds £	Dialogue Road Map £	Digital activity £	Research and development £	Prisons and Life After Prison £	Schools £	Governance costs £	Support costs £	Trading Subsidiary costs £	**2023 Total £**
Staff costs (Note 8)	-	32,456	5,821	4,869	42,511	2,794	2,912	-	436,351	**527,714**
Volunteer expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16,292	-	**16,292**
Programme direct costs	-	4,810	-	-	22,379	-	-	625	-	**27,814**
Fundraising	1,530	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	**1,530**
Governance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,800	-	**1,800**
Administration support	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,362	-	**8,362**
Other support costs	-	7,094	1,423	57	3,392	31	643	8,078	-	**20,718**
Subsidiary trading costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	314,771	**314,771**
	1,530	44,360	7,244	4,926	68,282	2,825	3,555	35,157	751,122	**919,001**
Support costs	-	12,219	1,995	1,357	18,808	778	-	(35,157)		**-**
Governance costs	-	1,236	202	137	1,902	79	(3,555)			**-**
Total expenditure 2023	**1,530**	**57,814**	**9,441**	**6,420**	**88,992**	**3,682**	**-**	**-**	**751,122**	**919,001**

7 Net income / (expenditure) for the year

This is stated after charging / (crediting):	**2024**	2023
	£	£
Depreciation	**40,794**	205
Audit fees (excluding VAT):	**9,000**	-
Independent Examiner's fees (excluding VAT):	**-**	1,500

8 Analysis of staff costs, trustee remuneration and expenses, and the cost of key management

Staff costs were as follows:	**2024**	2023
	£	£
Salaries and wages	**540,840**	476,783
Social security costs	**47,852**	44,238
Employer's contribution to defined contribution pension schemes	**7,487**	6,693
	596,179	527,714

No employee earned more than £60,000 during the year (2023: nil).

The total employee benefits (including pension contributions and employer's national insurance) of the key management personnel were £115,842 (2023: £116,466).

Trustees' remuneration and benefits

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trustees' salaries	**52,000**	52,000
Trustees' social security costs	**5,921**	6,233
	57,921	58,233

In keeping with the conditions of the constitution, Ms M Arpa who is a Trustee and CEO of the charity and is responsible for the delivery of the programmes, is allowed remuneration and expenses. Her remuneration for the year to 31 March 2024 was £52,000 (2023: £52,000).

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2024 (2023: £nil).

9 Staff numbers

The average number of employees (head count based on number of staff employed) during the year was 20 (2023: 18).

10 Related party transactions

Peaceful Solutions Limited is the wholly owned, trading subsidiary of the Charity. It operates charity shops in North London.

Description of transaction	**2024**	2023
	£	£
Income		
Gift aid raised on sales in the shops, paid direct to the charity	**93,593**	96,728
Donations	**68,173**	170,719
Expenditure		
Management support services	**4,250**	14,039
Debtors		
Loan - balance outstanding at year end	**123,232**	10,094

11 Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax as all its income is charitable and is applied for charitable purposes.

12 Tangible fixed assets

	Fixtures and fittings
Cost	**£**
At the start of the year	**9,304**
Additions in year	**200,313**
At the end of the year	**209,617**
Depreciation	
At the start of the year	**6,501**
Charge for the year	**40,794**
At the end of the year	**47,295**
Net book value	
At the end of the year	**162,322**
At the start of the year	2,803

All of the above assets are used for charitable purposes.

13a Investment in subsidiaries

	2024	2023
	£	£
Cost	**1**	2

Investments comprise:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Peaceful Solutions Limited	**1**	1
Peaceful Solutions Mediation Services Limited	**-**	1
	1	2

Peaceful Solutions Mediation Services Limited is no longer trading. It was closed down and removed from the register at Companies House in August 2023

The charity owns the whole of the issued share capital of Peaceful Solutions Limited, a company registered in England. It operates charity shops in North London. All activities have been consolidated on a line by line basis in the statement of financial activities. Available profits are gift aided to the charitable company. The subsidiary is exempt from audit by virtue of Section 479a of Companies Act 2006. A summary of the results of the subsidiary is shown below:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Turnover	**1,087,023**	918,834
Cost of sales	**(13,895)**	(14,771)
Gross Profit	**1,073,128**	904,063
Administrative expenses	**(925,162)**	(736,351)
Profit for financial year	**147,966**	167,712
Retained earnings		
Total retained earnings brought forward	**129,833**	132,840
Profit for the financial year	**147,966**	167,712
Distribution under Gift Aid to parent charity	**(68,173)**	(170,719)
Total retained earnings carried forward	**209,626**	129,833
The aggregate of the assets, liabilities and reserves was:		
Assets	**381,301**	337,769
Liabilities	**(171,675)**	(207,936)
Capital & Reserves	**209,626**	129,833

Amounts owed to/ from the parent undertaking are shown in note 10.

13b Parent Charity

The parent charity's gross income and the results for the year are as follows:	**2024**	2023
	£	£
Gross income	**212,356**	316,300
(Deficit)/Surplus for the year	**8,643**	134,382

14 Debtors

	Group 2024	**Charity 2024**	Group 2023	Charity 2023
	£	**£**	£	£
Trade debtors	**11,443**	**10,582**	13,155	11,810
Other debtors	**142,507**	**2,000**	111,378	4,855
Amounts due from subsidiaries	**-**	**123,232**	-	149,094
	153,950	**135,814**	124,533	165,759

15 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Group 2024 £	Charity 2024 £	Group 2023 £	Charity 2023 £
Trade creditors	**1,888**	**250**	8,690	3,721
Taxation and social security	**4,210**	**2,695**	-	-
Gift Aid to be repaid to HMRC	**-**	**-**	35,373	35,373
Other creditors	**15,000**	**8,600**	15,225	3,600
Deferred income	**17,812**	**17,812**	23,070	23,070
	38,910	**29,357**	82,358	65,764

Deferred income comprises course fees received in advance. £17,812 was deferred in the current year (2023: £23,070)

16 Creditors: amounts falling due more than one year

	Group 2024 £	Charity 2024 £	Group 2023 £	Charity 2023 £
Other creditors	38,890	-	42,248	-
	38,890	**-**	42,248	-

17a Analysis of net assets between funds (current year)

	General unrestricted £	Restricted £	**Total funds £**
Tangible fixed assets	162,322	-	**162,322**
Net current assets	288,854	226,337	**515,191**
Net assets at 31 March 2024	**451,176**	**226,337**	**677,513**

17b Analysis of net assets between funds (prior year)

	General unrestricted £	Restricted £	**Total funds £**
Tangible fixed assets	2,803	-	**2,803**
Net current assets	258,586	327,688	**586,274**
Net assets at 31 March 2023	**261,389**	**327,688**	**589,077**

18a Movements in funds (current year)

	At 1 April 2023 £	Income & gains £	Expenditure & losses £	Transfers £	**At 31 March 2024 £**
Restricted funds:					
Prison Services	267,115	4,432	(71,096)	-	**200,451**
Schools	18,666	-	(2,780)	-	**15,886**
Dialogue Road Map	31,907	38,890	(72,279)	1,482	**-**
Sainsbury's Project	10,000	-	-	-	**10,000**
Total restricted funds	**327,688**	**43,322**	**(146,155)**	**1,482**	**226,337**
Unrestricted funds:					
Designated funds:					
Prison Services	-	48,735	-	-	**48,735**
Schools	-	4,767	-	-	**4,767**
Dialogue Road Map	-	23,858	-	(1,482)	**22,376**
	-	**77,360**	**-**	**(1,482)**	**75,878**
General funds	261,389	1,106,274	(992,365)	-	**375,298**
Total unrestricted funds	**261,389**	**1,183,634**	**(992,365)**	**(1,482)**	**451,176**
Total funds	**589,077**	**1,226,956**	**(1,138,520)**	**-**	**677,513**

The narrative to explain the purpose of each fund is given at the foot of the note below.

18b Movements in funds (prior year)

	At 1 April 2022 £	Income & gains £	Expenditure & losses £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2023 £
Restricted funds:					
Prison Services	99,171	67,103	(68,282)	169,123	267,115
USA Project	29,123	-	-	(29,123)	-
Schools	16,531	5,078	(2,943)	-	18,666
Dialogue Road Map	169,424	52,209	(44,360)	(145,366)	31,907
DRM Casework	4,634	-	-	(4,634)	-
Sainsbury's Project		-	-	10,000	10,000
Total restricted funds	318,883	124,390	(115,585)	-	327,688
General funds	138,819	925,986	(803,416)	-	261,389
Total unrestricted funds	138,819	925,986	(803,416)	-	261,389
Total funds	457,702	1,050,376	(919,001)	-	589,077

18c Purposes of restricted funds

Prison Services
The Prison Services fund was originally funded by a private donation prior to COVID-19. Since then a portion of the Gift Aid revenue has been allocated to the fund. The project was unable to continue during the pandemic but has since restarted and we anticipate the funds being called upon as we grow the project.

The original intention of raising funds via the trading subsidiary, Peaceful Solutions Ltd, was to fund this project without reliance on funding from the public purse which is not a secure income stream. The work is not suitable to be delivered under contract.

Schools
A portion of the Gift Aid revenue has been allocated to the fund in the current and previous years. When schools were closed during the pandemic we were unable to continue our work. We plan to restart the project.

Dialogue Road Map
Income is received from people who can afford to pay for training as well as a portion of the Gift Aid revenue. The funds are restricted to use on trainings and to support casework and training for people who cannot afford to pay.

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Legal and Administrative Information
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Trustees	Maria Arpa MBE (Founder) Andrew Goodman Paul Rose Noor Akbar
Registered Charity Number	1117611
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TRUSTEES REPORT FINANCIAL YEAR
2022/23

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Centre for Peaceful Solutions is an unincorporated Association. The charity was founded on 22nd May 2006 and was registered with the Charity Commission on 17 January 2007. The governing document is the constitution which was adopted on 22 May 2006.

APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEES

The trustees are listed on page 3. The trustees are appointed on the basis of need for the organisation to have the range of skills, knowledge, and experience to monitor the activities of the organisation and set out policy.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The trustees have overall responsibility for The Centre for Peaceful Solutions' internal system of control. They have approved the policies and procedures that are used in our work. The board continually reviews the working practices.

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The Objectives are:-

To establish, promote and provide for the public benefit and the better preservation of public order, services directed to the resolution of conflict between persons, organisations or groups which arises from interpersonal conflict, principally through the means of mediation, conciliation and group facilitation, and to provide such services for people at risk of becoming involved in such disputes.

To provide education and training concerning the resolution of disputes or conflicts and in particular to promote understanding of the nature and causes of any such dispute or conflict, and of the means of managing disputes or conflicts for the purpose of their peaceful resolution in the interests of good citizenship. To promote and provide education and training for those persons who desire to become mediators, conciliators and facilitators.

ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Overview

By March 2022, many of the pandemic restrictions had been lifted. Our charity shops began to fully open giving us room to plan ahead for income. By going online with training and casework we were able to find opportunities to expand our work online. In 2022 we were able to resume our project in Dartmoor Prison and begin our new Life After Prison project.

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OUR WORK WITH INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES

This year we continued and expanded our work online. By going online we have been able to work with clients across the UK and use our trained Dialogue Road Map Facilitators who also live in other parts of the UK.

During 2022/23 we have supported thirty five participants. The work is a blend of one to one sessions, mediation casework and family circles. Depending on the presenting problem we recommend a course of sessions to suit the situation.



For example:

Peter, Sam and James (names changed)

Peter, Sam and James are adult brothers. When their elderly father went into sudden decline and died, they were left broken hearted. During his short illness the brothers had disagreed on the course of action for his care and when he died they began to blame each other. The conflict between the brothers spread into extended family with the funeral being a point of escalation.

Family traditions were not upheld further upsetting elders in the family. By the time Peter contacted Peaceful Solutions he was feeling shock and guilt for the tragic ending of his father's life, but none of the brothers were speaking to each other. In a series of mediated meetings the brothers were able to accept the mistakes they had made and apologise to other family members. "The fact that we are now able to talk to each other is a huge milestone. I wish we had talked to Peaceful Solutions much earlier".

Amy (name changed)

Amy was devastated when her beloved pet died. Having been a constant companion during Covid lockdowns, the loss was unbearable and she had fallen into depression. With friends suggesting that she get another pet, and family trivialising the loss, Amy believed she had no one to talk to.
During a series of one to one sessions, her Dialogue Road Map Facilitator was able to fully listen, empathise with the emotions and help Amy come to terms with the loss by acknowledging the very real grief she was experiencing. “I feel heard and understood and that has been a bridge from depression to coping. I learned useful ways to process my feelings instead of allowing them to pull me down.

OUR WORK IN PRISONS

This year we were able to resume the project in Dartmoor Prison. With only two Facilitators left, the Senior Management Team agreed to restart the project as the Peaceful Solutions Team. Seven new men were trained as DRM Facilitators in June 2022 and they started work in July.

Being a DRM Facilitator is a full time prison paid job. Our team of seven new Facilitators, along with the two remaining Facilitators, has been very successful.

The two experienced Facilitators have been able to support the new Facilitators. We were also in receipt of a generous donation to enable monthly in person supervision by one of our faculty, Louisa Burnand, along with Hervé de Trogoff, a Facilitator from our DRM 2019 cohort who generously volunteers.

Maria Arpa and David Ellis visit the prison quarterly for ongoing training to develop mastery and broaden the scope of the work and stay in touch in between visits. This means that our team is supported by the Centre for Peaceful Solutions.

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With this improved system of support the Facilitators were able to support 100 prisoners between July and December, with each participant receiving an initial six one to one sessions, over 500 sessions have been conducted.

Annual Report of the Independent Monitoring Board at Dartmoor Prison, January 2023:

"Members of the Board have identified areas of concern when talking to prisoners. A level of covert bullying which is not reported has been evident this year. As the year has progressed, the Board has increasingly and regularly heard from prisoners of their concerns about bullying between prisoners, including by the nature of offence, older prisoners and in one case because of disability. These findings are supported by the excellent work undertaken by the Peaceful Solutions Team (formerly Dialogue Road Mapping). Established in June 2022, a group of nine volunteer facilitators across most of the wings, with the senior managing chaplain as the point of contact, carry out one-to-one confidential sessions with men who have issues which they feel unable to bring to more formal channels. In addition, the slow progress in key worker rollout denies many of these men the opportunity to talk in confidence to a trusted individual. In August and September 2022, the group carried out 149 individual sessions; bullying, relationships with prisoners, self-harm and substance abuse were some of the key concerns raised."



Life after Prison

Even with good family support, the trauma of prison and the horror of continuous 23 hour lockdowns during Covid have had a detrimental effect on the mental health of people re-entering society.

For example, Dave (name changed) was released without any place to go. After a relative paid for one night at a hotel, he was left on his own, unable to access his £46 discharge grant, with no alternative but to stay with friends at the town of his crime or face sleeping on the streets.

In another example, Alan (name changed) was dropped off in a town where he knew no one in a one room flat with no furniture. With our support both of them have been able to find a way despite the odds being against them. They reported that having online emotional support relieved them from suicidal thoughts and gave them motivation to improve their lives and keep them away from re-offending.

These examples and other cases prompted us to develop this latest project which is in development as we figure out how to best serve our beneficiaries and navigate the probation system.



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Statement of Public Benefit

In setting our objectives and planning our activities, our trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

CPS is committed to enabling as many people as possible to benefit through casework, participation in workshops, training and volunteering. This year we have supported at least 150 people directly and impacted at least 500 people indirectly.

Financial Review

The main income for 2022/23 came from Gift Aid from our charity shop sales. Our fee generating Training Programme has also brought in income. Our aim is to become a sustainable charity through our enterprise therefore reducing reliance on grants.

Before the finalising of the accounts it was discovered that there has been a Gift Aid over claim. The accounts have been adjusted and we have reported the matter to HMRC

Reserves Policy

The charity can cover its running costs for 6 months. This will enable the charity to meet statutory and contractual responsibilities in the event of ceasing to trade.

Statement of the Trustees' Responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the charity's financial activities during the period and of its financial position at the end of the period.
In preparing accounts giving a true and fair view, the management committee should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the accounts;
- prepare accounts on the going concern basis.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the law. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and for taking the reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

By the order of the trustees

Signed:  Date: 06/10/2023

Maria Arpa, Chairperson

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Centre for Peaceful Solutions, charity number: 1117611, for the year ended 31/03/2023. As the charity's trustees, 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.

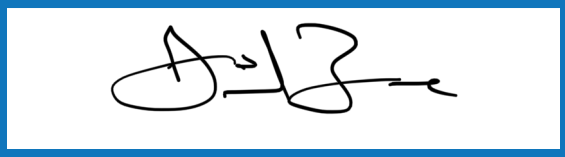
The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales. I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect: • the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or • the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or • the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination. Other than that disclosed below, 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.

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT

Disclosure:

In carrying out my examination it was brought to my attention by the Trustees that the Charity had discovered after the balance sheet date an overclaim of Gift Aid amounting to £35,373 at 31st March 2023. The Trustees promptly investigated and found that this was due to a lapse in internal controls which had allowed a staff member to claim Gift Aid more than once on particular donations made to the charity shops of the trading subsidiary. The Trustees have informed both the Charity Commission and HMRC of the overclaim and have undertaken a full range or corrective actions including staff training, improved internal monitoring of key related ratios and routine internal audits. Given the voluntary disclosure of this overclaim to myself, the Charity Commission and HMRC, as well as the corrective action taken, I have no reason to suspect that this was anything other than a lapse in internal controls and judgement of one staff member, which is unlikely to reoccur in future. The amount of the overclaimed Gift Aid is included within the Charity accounts for the year to 31st March 2023 as a creditor and referenced in the Trustees Report. I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: 

Date: 07/10/2023

Name: David Payne

Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales

Address: Turpin Barker Armstrong, Allen House, 1 Westmead Road, Sutton, Surrey SM1 4LA

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Statement of financial activities (incorporating an income and expenditure account)

For the year ended 31 March 2023

	Note	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2023 Total £	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2022 Total £
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	2	177,193	111,885	**289,078**	21,920	88,571	110,491
Charitable activities							
Dialogue Road Map	3	–	26,738	**26,738**	–	57,548	57,548
Other trading activities	4	–	–	**–**	3,187	12,751	15,938
Investments	5	484	–	**484**	–	–	–
Total income		177,677	138,623	**316,300**	25,107	158,870	183,977
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds	6	1,530	–	**1,530**	8,916	–	8,916
Charitable activities							
Dialogue Road Map	6	16,652	44,360	**61,012**	7,601	88,801	96,402
Digital activity	6	12,301	–	**12,301**	13,641	–	13,641
Research and development	6	9,113	–	**9,113**	6,948	–	6,948
Prisons and Life After Prison	6	25,632	68,282	**93,914**	1,050	13,399	14,449
Schools	6	1,223	2,825	**4,048**	1,665	17,378	19,043
Total expenditure		66,451	115,467	**181,918**	39,821	119,578	159,399
Net income / (expenditure) for the year	7	111,226	23,156	134,382	(14,714)	39,292	24,578
Reconciliation of funds:							
Total funds brought forward		5,979	318,883	**324,862**	20,693	279,591	300,284
Total funds carried forward		117,205	342,039	**459,244**	5,979	318,883	324,862

All of the above results are derived from continuing activities. There were no other recognised gains or losses other than those stated above.
Movements in funds are disclosed in Note 17a to the financial statements.

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Balance sheet

As at 31 March 2023

	Note	£	2023 £	£	2022 £
Fixed assets:					
Tangible assets	12		–		83
Investments in subsidiaries	13		**2**		2
			2		85
Current assets:					
Debtors	14	**165,759**		12,976	
Cash at bank and in hand		**359,247**		318,883	
		525,006		331,859	
Liabilities:					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	**(65,764)**		(7,082)	
Net current assets			**459,242**		324,777
Total net assets			**459,244**		**324,862**
The funds of the charity:	17a				
Restricted income funds			**341,921**		318,883
Unrestricted income funds:					
General funds		**117,323**		5,979	
Total unrestricted funds			**117,323**		5,979
Total charity funds			**459,244**		324,862

Approved by the trustees on 6 October 2023 and signed on their behalf by



M Arpa
Chair

1 Accounting policies

a) Statutory information

Centre for Peaceful Solutions is an unincorporated charity registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

The principal place of business is 12 Chamberlayne Road, London, NW10 3JD.

b) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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) - (Charities SORP FRS 102), The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy or note.

In applying the financial reporting framework, the trustees have made a number of subjective judgements, for example in respect of significant accounting estimates. Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. The nature of the estimation means the actual outcomes could differ from those estimates. Any significant estimates and judgements affecting these financial statements are detailed within the relevant accounting policy below.

c) Public benefit entity

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

The trustees do not consider that there are any sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next reporting period.

d) Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

1 Accounting policies (continued)

e) Income

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and that the amount can be measured reliably.

Income from government and other grants, whether 'capital' grants or 'revenue' grants, is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred.

For legacies, entitlement is taken as the earlier of the date on which either: the charity is aware that probate has been granted, the estate has been finalised and notification has been made by the executor(s) to the charity that a distribution will be made, or when a distribution is received from the estate. Receipt of a legacy, in whole or in part, is only considered probable when the amount can be measured reliably and the charity has been notified of the executor's intention to make a distribution. Where legacies have been notified to the charity, or the charity is aware of the granting of probate, and the criteria for income recognition have not been met, then the legacy is a treated as a contingent asset and disclosed if material.

Income received in advance of the provision of a specified service is deferred until the criteria for income recognition are met.

f) Donations of gifts, services and facilities

Donated professional services and donated facilities are recognised as income when the charity has control over the item or received the service, any conditions associated with the donation have been met, the receipt of economic benefit from the use by the charity of the item is probable and that economic benefit can be measured reliably. In accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102), volunteer time is not recognised so refer to the trustees' annual report for more information about their contribution.

On receipt, donated gifts, professional services and donated facilities are recognised on the basis of the value of the gift to the charity which is the amount the charity would have been willing to pay to obtain services or facilities of equivalent economic benefit on the open market; a corresponding amount is then recognised in expenditure in the period of receipt.

g) Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank.

h) Fund accounting

Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets these criteria is charged to the fund.

Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources received or generated for the charitable purposes.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular purposes.

i) Expenditure and irrecoverable VAT

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified under the following activity headings:

- Costs of raising funds relate to the costs incurred by the charity in inducing third parties to make voluntary contributions to it, as well as the cost of any activities with a fundraising purpose
- Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of delivering programmes to further the purposes of the charity and their associated support costs
- Other expenditure represents those items not falling into any other heading

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

1 Accounting policies (continued)

j) Allocation of support costs

Resources expended are allocated to the particular activity where the cost relates directly to that activity. However, the cost of overall direction and administration of each activity, comprising the salary and overhead costs of the central function, is apportioned on the following basis which are an estimate, based on staff time, of the amount attributable to each activity.

Where information about the aims, objectives and projects of the charity is provided to potential beneficiaries, the costs associated with this publicity are allocated to charitable expenditure.

Where such information about the aims, objectives and projects of the charity is also provided to potential donors, activity costs are apportioned between fundraising and charitable activities on the basis of area of literature occupied by each activity.

- Dialogue Road Map 33.8%
- Digital activity 6.8%
- Research and development 5.1%
- Prisons and Life After Prison 52.1%
- Schools 2.2%

Governance costs are the costs associated with the governance arrangements of the charity. These costs are associated with constitutional and statutory requirements and include any costs associated with the strategic management of the charity's activities.

k) Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation costs are allocated to activities on the basis of the use of the related assets in those activities. Assets are reviewed for impairment if circumstances indicate their carrying value may exceed their net realisable value and value in use.

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write down the cost of each asset to its estimated residual value over its expected useful life. The depreciation rates in use are as follows:

- Fixtures and fittings 5 years

l) Investments in subsidiaries

Investments in subsidiaries are at cost.

m) Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

n) Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2023 Total £	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2022 Total £
Donations	157,860	34,490	**192,350**	4,198	17,681	21,879
Gift Aid	19,333	77,395	**96,728**	17,722	70,890	88,612
	177,193	111,885	**289,078**	21,920	88,571	110,491

3 Income from charitable activities

	2023 Total £	2022 Total £
Fees - training courses	26,738	50,954
Mediation services sales	-	6,594
Total income from charitable activities	**26,738**	57,548

All income from charitable activities is restricted

4 Income from other trading income

	2023 Total £	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2022 Total £
Grants - Furlough scheme	-	3,187	12,751	15,938
	-	3,187	12,751	15,938

5 Income from investments

	2023 Total £	2022 Total £
Interest	484	-
	484	-

All income from investments is unrestricted.

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6a Analysis of expenditure (current year)

		Charitable activities								
	Raising funds £	Dialogue Road Map £	Digital activity £	Research and development £	Prisons and Life After Prison £	Schools £	Governance costs £	Support costs £	**2023 Total £**	2022 Total £
Staff costs (Note 8)	–	32,456	5,821	4,869	42,511	2,794	2,912	–	**91,363**	87,855
Volunteer expenses	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	16,292	**16,292**	12,069
Programme direct costs	–	4,810	–	–	22,379	–	–	625	**27,814**	7,265
Fundraising	1,530	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	**1,530**	8,916
Governance	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1,800	**1,800**	–
Administration support	–	–	–	–	–	–	3,039	19,362	**22,401**	3,180
Other support costs	–	7,094	1,423	57	3,392	31	643	8,078	**20,718**	40,114
	1,530	44,360	7,244	4,926	68,282	2,825	6,594	46,157	**181,918**	159,399
Support costs	–	14,422	4,607	3,854	22,199	1,075		(46,157)	**–**	–
Governance costs	–	2,230	450	333	3,433	148	(6,594)		**–**	–
Total expenditure 2023	**1,530**	**61,012**	**12,301**	**9,113**	**93,914**	**4,048**	**–**	**–**	**181,918**	
Total expenditure 2022	**8,916**	**96,402**	**13,641**	**6,948**	**14,449**	**19,043**	**–**	**–**		**159,399**

6b Analysis of expenditure (prior year)

		Charitable activities							
	Raising funds £	Dialogue Road Map £	Digital activity £	Research and development £	Prisons and Life After Prison £	Schools £	Governance costs £	Support costs £	2022 Total £
Staff costs (Note 8)	–	52,616	4,405	4,405	8,810	8,809	4,405	4,405	**87,855**
Volunteer expenses	–	7,171	581	581	1,412	1,162	581	581	**12,069**
Programme direct costs	–	7,265	–	–	–	–	–	–	**7,265**
Fundraising	8,916	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	**8,916**
Governance	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	**–**
Administration support	–	1,908	159	159	318	318	159	159	**3,180**
Other support costs	–	14,492	6,663	870	1,968	6,196	3,430	6,495	**40,114**
	8,916	83,452	11,808	6,015	12,508	16,485	8,575	11,640	**159,399**
Support costs	–	7,457	1,055	537	1,118	1,473	–	(11,640)	**–**
Governance costs	–	5,493	778	396	823	1,085	(8,575)		**–**
Total expenditure 2022	**8,916**	**96,402**	**13,641**	**6,948**	**14,449**	**19,043**	**–**	**–**	**159,399**

7 Net income / (expenditure) for the year

This is stated after charging / (crediting):

	2023	2022
	£	£
Depreciation	83	-
Independent Examiner's Fee (excluding VAT):		
Independent Examination	1,500	1,200

8 Analysis of staff costs, trustee remuneration and expenses, and the cost of key management personnel

Staff costs were as follows:

	2023	2022
	£	£
Salaries and wages	85,434	83,508
Social security costs	5,929	3,954
Employer's contribution to defined contribution pension schemes	-	393
	91,363	87,855

No employee earned more than £60,000 during the year (2022: nil).

The total employee benefits (including pension contributions and employer's national insurance) of the key management personnel were £58,233 (2022: £55,679).

Trustees' remuneration and benefits

	2023	2022
	£	£
Trustees' salaries	52,000	50,000
Trustees' social security costs	6,233	5,679
	58,233	55,679

In keeping with the conditions of the constitution, Ms M Arpa who is a Trustee and CEO of the charity and is responsible for the delivery of the programmes, is allowed remuneration and expenses. Her remuneration for the year to 31 March 2023 was £52,000 (2022: £50,000).

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2023 (2022: £nil).

9 Staff numbers

The average number of employees (head count based on number of staff employed) during the year was 2 (2022: 3).

10 Related party transactions

Peaceful Solutions Limited is the wholly owned, trading subsidiary of the Charity. It operates charity shops in North London.

Description of transaction	2023 £	2022 £
Income		
Gift aid raised on sales in the shops, paid direct to the charity	**96,728**	88,612
Donations	**170,719**	16,462
Expenditure		
Management support services	**14,039**	-
Debtors		
Loan - balance outstanding at year end	**10,094**	10,094

11 Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax as all its income is charitable and is applied for charitable purposes.

12 Tangible fixed assets

	Fixtures and fittings £
Cost	
At the start of the year	**6,379**
At the end of the year	**6,379**
Depreciation	
At the start of the year	**6,296**
Charge for the year	**83**
At the end of the year	**6,379**
Net book value	
At the end of the year	**-**
At the start of the year	83

All of the above assets are used for charitable purposes.

13 Investment in subsidiaries

	2023	2022
	£	£
Cost	2	2

Investments comprise:

	2023	2022
	£	£
Peaceful Solutions Limited	1	1
Peaceful Solutions Mediation Services Limited	1	1
	2	2

Peaceful Solutions Mediation Services Limited is no longer trading. It was closed down and removed from the register at Companies House in August 2023

14 Debtors

	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade debtors	11,810	-
Other debtors	4,855	2,882
Amounts due from subsidiaries	149,094	10,094
	165,759	12,976

15 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade creditors	3,721	-
Taxation and social security	-	(4,248)
Grants payable	-	-
Gift Aid to be repaid to HMRC	35,373	-
Other creditors	3,600	11,330
Deferred income	23,070	-
	65,764	7,082

Deferred income comprises course fees received in advance. £23,070 was deferred in the current year (2022: £nil)

16a Analysis of net assets between funds (current year)

	General unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total funds £
Investment in subsidiaries	2	–	**2**
Net current assets	117,321	341,921	**459,242**
Net assets at 31 March 2023	**117,323**	**341,921**	**459,244**

16b Analysis of net assets between funds (prior year)

	General unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total funds £
Tangible fixed assets	83	–	**83**
Investment in subsidiaries	2	–	**2**
Net current assets	5,894	318,883	**324,777**
Net assets at 31 March 2022	**5,979**	**318,883**	**324,862**

17a Movements in funds (current year)

	At 1 April 2022 £	Income & gains £	Expenditure & losses £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2023 £
Restricted funds:					
Prison Services	99,171	74,713	(68,282)	169,123	**274,725**
USA Project	29,123	–	–	(29,123)	**–**
Schools	16,531	5,839	(2,943)	–	**19,427**
Dialogue Road Map	169,424	58,071	(44,360)	(145,366)	**37,769**
DRM Casework	4,634	–	–	(4,634)	**–**
Sainsbury's Project	–	–	–	10,000	**10,000**
Total restricted funds	318,883	138,623	(115,585)	–	**341,921**
General funds	5,979	177,677	(66,333)	–	**117,323**
Total unrestricted funds	5,979	177,677	(66,333)	–	**117,323**
Total funds	324,862	316,300	(181,918)	–	**459,244**

The narrative to explain the purpose of each fund is given at the foot of the note below.

17b Movements in funds (prior year)

	At 1 April 2021 £	Income & gains £	Expenditure & losses £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2022 £
Restricted funds:					
Prison Services	100,268	12,302	(13,399)	-	**99,171**
USA Project	33,620	-	(4,497)		**29,123**
Schools	17,110	12,302	(12,881)		**16,531**
Dialogue Road Map	124,024	100,068	(54,668)	-	**169,424**
DRM Casework	4,569	34,198	(34,133)	-	**4,634**
Total restricted funds	279,591	158,870	(119,578)	-	**318,883**
General funds	20,693	25,107	(39,821)	-	**5,979**
Total unrestricted funds	20,693	25,107	(39,821)	-	**5,979**
Total funds	300,284	183,977	(159,399)	-	**324,862**

Purposes of restricted funds

Prison Services
The Prison Services fund was originally funded by a private donation prior to COVID-19. Since then a portion of the Gift Aid revenue has been allocated to the fund. The project was unable to continue during the pandemic but has since restarted and we anticipate the funds being called upon as we grow the project.

The original intention of raising funds via the trading subsidiary, Peaceful Solutions Ltd, was to fund this project without reliance on funding from the public purse which is not a secure income stream. The work is not suitable to be delivered under contract.

Schools
A portion of the Gift Aid revenue has been allocated to the fund in the current and previous years. When schools were closed during the pandemic we were unable to continue our work. We plan to restart the project.

Dialogue Road Map
Income is received from people who can afford to pay for training as well as a portion of the Gift Aid revenue. The funds are restricted to use on trainings and to support casework and training for people who cannot afford to pay.

Transfers between funds
The Trustees reviewed the restricted fund balances at 31 March 2022 and decided that the allocation of income and expenditure in previous years had not been accurate. The Board made the decision to transfer funds to the correct restricted fund at 1 April 2022 in order to reflect the operations of the charity. Permission has been obtained from donors where applicable.

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England & Wales - Charity number 1117611

Accounts

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1117611

Trustees' Report and

Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2022

for

Centre for Peaceful Solutions

Redhouse and Associates Business Services Ltd
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Centre for Peaceful Solutions

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for the year ended 31 March 2022

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Centre for Peaceful Solutions

Trustees' Report
for the year ended 31 March 2022

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2022. 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

To establish, promote and provide for the public benefit and the better preservation of public order, services directed to the resolution of conflict between persons, organisations or groups which arises from interpersonal conflict, principally through the means of mediation, conciliation and group facilitation and to provide such services for people at risk of becoming involved in such disputes.

To provide education and training concerning the resolution of disputes or conflicts and in particular to promote understanding of the nature and causes of any such dispute or conflict and of the means of managing disputes or conflicts for the purpose of their peaceful resolution in the interests of good citizenship.

To promote and provide education and training for those persons who desire to become mediators, conciliators and facilitators.

Centre for Peaceful Solutions

Trustees' Report
for the year ended 31 March 2022

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Overview

As with the previous year, this year has also been disrupted by the pandemic. The closure of our charity shops as a main source of income created uncertainty for planning. This resulted in our work going online. While this worked better than expected for casework and training, prison and school closures impacted our work on site.

Our Work in Communities



This year we continued to move our casework online.

With people in lockdown for extended periods we decided to support people across London online using Zoom. This has had better outcomes than we expected for both the service and then clients.

During 2021 we have offered 47 people continued mental and emotional support. Our sessions are conducted by a group of Dialogue Road Map Facilitators who work intensively to hold the space for the Participant to truly reflect on their situation until they can enough find inner peace to embrace change.

For example:

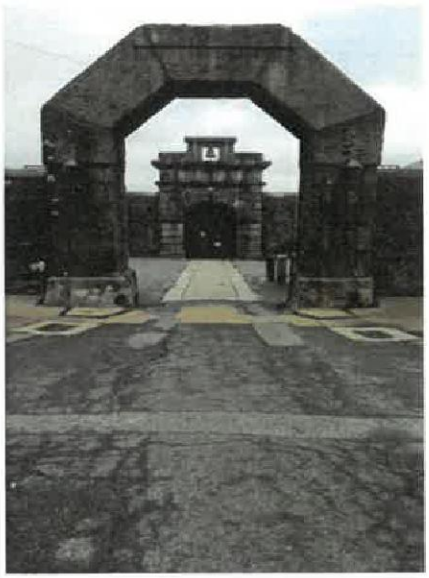
John (name changed)

John was one of our DRM Facilitators in Dartmoor Prison. When he left prison he had nowhere to go and found himself sleeping on the sofa at a sibling's home. The situation became untenable as the sibling's lifestyle was not conducive to his own healing process. Covid restrictions made it difficult to find work and he lost hope for a better situation. We offered him regular support and a place to express himself. While we were unable to help him with housing and work, we were able to provide him with a mobile phone so he could receive our calls. As lockdowns ended he found work and a place to live. Our support was just enough to keep him from re-offending.
"The real help was having someone to listen. I knew you couldn't change my situation but I knew you cared about me. It alleviated my lonliness and desperation until I could get on my feet"

Wayne (name changed)

Wayne had been coming into our charity shops and would sit on the street locally. Noticing him looking sad, one of our workers approached him to see if he was OK. We offered him some time to talk online and he took up the offer. Wayne had difficulty being understood. His mental health labels and his inability communicate well meant that he had been written off by his family and he had largely given up on himself. With regular support we were able to help him articulate his needs. This was of immense benefit with his mother and GP.

Our Work in Prisons



While prisons have been in lockdown and we have been unable to visit the prison, we have done what we can on the fringes.

Our DRM Facilitator team has depleted as the have moved on from Dartmoor and we have been unable to train new cohorts. This looks set to change in 2022 and the project will be re-instated.
In the meantime, given the different experiences of leaving prison that we have been listening to, we are working on a new project for people leaving prison who have no emotional support. Having paid their debt to society we believe it is important that ex-prisoners are supported to re-enter society with dignity and accountability.

Life After Prison

Even with good family support, the trauma of prison and the horror of continuous 23 hour lockdowns during Covid have had a detrimental effect on the mental health of people re-entering society.

For example, Dave (name changed) was released without any place to go. After a relative paid for one night at a hotel, he was left on his own, unable to access his £46 discharge grant, with no alternative but to stay with friends at the town of his crime or face sleeping on the streets.



In another example, Alan (name changed) was dropped off in a town where he knew no one in a one room flat with no furniture.

With our support both of them have been able to find a way despite the odds being against them They reported that having online emotional support relieved them from suicidal thoughts and gave them motivation to improve their lives and keep them away from re-offending.

These examples and other cases prompted us to develop this latest project which is in development as we figure out how to best serve our beneficiaries and navigate the probation system.

Statement of Public Benefit

In setting our objectives and planning our activities, our trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

CPS is committed to enabling as many people as possible to benefit through casework, participation in workshops, training and volunteering. This year given the challenges of the Pandemic, we have supported at least 60 people directly and impacted at least 200 people indirectly.

FINANCIAL REVIEW
The main income for 2021/22 came from Gift Aid from our charity shop sales, and our fee generating Training Programme has also brought in income. Our aim is to ensure that our running costs can be sustained through our enterprise therefore reducing reliance on grants.

Reserves Policy

The charity can cover its running costs for 6 months. This will enable the charity to meet statutory and contractual responsibilities in the event of ceasing to trade.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Centre for Peaceful Solutions is an unincorporated charity. The charity was founded on 22nd May 2006 and was registered with the Charity Commission on 17 January 2007. The governing document is the constitution which was adopted on 22 May 2006.

Appointment of trustees

The trustees are listed on page 3. The trustees are appointed on the basis of need for the organisation to have the range of skills, knowledge, and experience to monitor the activities of the organisation and set out policy.

Risk Management

The trustees have overall responsibility for The Centre for Peaceful Solutions' internal system of control. They have approved the policies and procedures that are used in our work. The board continually reviews the working practices.

The Objects are:-

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Centre for Peaceful Solutions

Trustees' Report
for the year ended 31 March 2022

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
Registered Charity number
1117611

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 9/8/22 and signed on its behalf by:

Signed on 09/08/22 @ 01:28

Ms M Arpa - Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Centre for Peaceful Solutions

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Centre for Peaceful Solutions
I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Centre for Peaceful Solutions (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2022.

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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.



Jeremy Harrod FCCA
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Date: 9/8/22

Centre for Peaceful Solutions

Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31 March 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		25,107	158,870	183,977	147,809
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Charitable		39,821	119,578	159,399	91,800
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(14,714)	39,292	24,578	56,009
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		20,693	279,591	300,284	244,275
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		5,979	318,883	324,862	300,284

The notes form part of these financial statements

Centre for Peaceful Solutions

Balance Sheet
31 March 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	5	83	-	83	83
Investments	6	2	-	2	2
		85	-	85	85
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	7	12,976	-	12,976	30,794
Cash at bank		-	318,883	318,883	279,591
		12,976	318,883	331,859	310,385
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	8	(7,082)	-	(7,082)	(10,186)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		5,894	318,883	324,777	300,199
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		5,979	318,883	324,862	300,284
NET ASSETS		5,979	318,883	324,862	300,284
FUNDS	10				
Unrestricted funds				5,979	20,693
Restricted funds				318,883	279,591
TOTAL FUNDS				324,862	300,284

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 9/8/22 and were signed on its behalf by:

Signed on 09/08/22 @ 01:28

M Arpa - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements
The financial statements of the charity, 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 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at market value.

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.

Expenditure
Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, 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 accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets
Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings - 20% on cost

Taxation
The charity is exempt from 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.

2. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Trustees' salaries	50,000	50,000
Trustees' social security	5,679	5,688
	55,679	55,688

In keeping with the conditions of the constitution, Ms M Arpa, who is a Trustee and CEO of the charity and is responsible for the delivery of the programmes, is allowed remuneration and expenses. Her remuneration for the year to 31 March 2022 was £50,000(2021-£50,000).

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2022 nor for the year ended 31 March 2021.

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3. STAFF COSTS

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

	2022	2021
Direct charitable work	3	2

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

4. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	16,606	131,203	147,809
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Charitable	28,216	63,584	91,800
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(11,610)	67,619	56,009
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	32,303	211,972	244,275
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	20,693	279,591	300,284

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £
COST	
At 1 April 2021 and 31 March 2022	6,379
DEPRECIATION	
At 1 April 2021 and 31 March 2022	6,296
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 March 2022	83
At 31 March 2021	83

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6. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Shares in group undertakings £
MARKET VALUE	
At 1 April 2021 and 31 March 2022	2
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 March 2022	2
At 31 March 2021	2

There were no investment assets outside the UK.

7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022 £	2021 £
Other debtors	12,976	30,794

8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022 £	2021 £
Bank loans and overdrafts (see note 9)	11,150	10,174
Taxation and social security	(4,248)	(6)
Other creditors	180	18
	7,082	10,186

9. LOANS

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	2022 £	2021 £
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Bank overdrafts	11,150	10,174

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10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	20,693	(14,714)	5,979
Restricted funds			
Prison services	100,268	(1,097)	99,171
USA Project	33,620	(4,497)	29,123
Schools	17,110	(579)	16,531
DRM	124,024	45,400	169,424
DRM Casework			
	4,569	65	4,634
	279,591	39,292	318,883
TOTAL FUNDS	300,284	24,578	324,862

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	25,107	(39,821)	(14,714)
Restricted funds			
Prison services	12,302	(13,399)	(1,097)
USA Project	-	(4,497)	(4,497)
Schools	12,302	(12,881)	(579)
DRM	100,068	(54,668)	45,400
DRM Casework			
	34,198	(34,133)	65
	158,870	(119,578)	39,292
TOTAL FUNDS	183,977	(159,399)	24,578

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10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.20 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.21 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	32,303	(11,610)	-	20,693
Restricted funds				
Prison services	135,268	-	(35,000)	100,268
USA Project	1,636	(3,016)	35,000	33,620
Schools	17,110	-	-	17,110
DRM	57,958	72,693	(6,627)	124,024
DRM Casework	-	(2,058)	6,627	4,569
	211,972	67,619	-	279,591
TOTAL FUNDS	244,275	56,009	-	300,284

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	16,606	(28,216)	(11,610)
Restricted funds			
USA Project	-	(3,016)	(3,016)
DRM	111,608	(38,915)	72,693
DRM Casework	19,595	(21,653)	(2,058)
	131,203	(63,584)	67,619
TOTAL FUNDS	147,809	(91,800)	56,009

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10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.4.20 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.22 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	32,303	(26,324)	-	5,979
Restricted funds				
Prison services	135,268	(1,097)	(35,000)	99,171
USA Project	1,636	(7,513)	35,000	29,123
Schools	17,110	(579)	-	16,531
DRM	57,958	118,093	(6,627)	169,424
DRM Casework	-	(1,993)	6,627	4,634
	211,972	106,911	-	318,883
TOTAL FUNDS	244,275	80,587	-	324,862

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	41,713	(68,037)	(26,324)
Restricted funds			
Prison services	12,302	(13,399)	(1,097)
USA Project	-	(7,513)	(7,513)
Schools	12,302	(12,881)	(579)
DRM	211,676	(93,583)	118,093
DRM Casework	53,793	(55,786)	(1,993)
	290,073	(183,162)	106,911
TOTAL FUNDS	331,786	(251,199)	80,587

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11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2022.

12. DONATIONS

Donations includes £16,462 (2021 : £691) from Peaceful Solutions Limited and Peaceful Solutions Mediation Services Limited both companies of which are wholly owned subsidiaries of Centre for Peaceful Solutions Limited.

CENTRE FOR PEACEFUL SOLUTIONS

England & Wales - Charity number 1117611

Accounts

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1117611

Trustees' Report and

Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

for

Centre for Peaceful Solutions

Redhouse and Associates Business Services Ltd
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Centre for Peaceful Solutions

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Legal and Administrative Information
For the year ended 31 March 2021

Trustees	Maria Arpa (Founder) Andrew Goodman Paul Rose Noor Akbar
Registered Charity Number	1117611
Principal Address	12 Chamberlayne Road London NW10 3JD
Accountants	Redhouse and Associates Business Services Ltd 164a Kenton Road Kenton Harrow Middlesex HA3 8BL
Independent Examiner	Jeremy Harrod FCCA
Bankers	CAF Bank Ltd 25 Kings Hill Avenue Kings Hill West Malling Kent ME19 4JQ

CENTRE FOR PEACEFUL SOLUTIONS TRUSTEES REPORT FINANCIAL YEAR 2020/21

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Centre for Peaceful Solutions is an unincorporated charity. The charity was founded on 22nd May 2006 and was registered with the Charity Commission on 17 January 2007. The governing document is the constitution which was adopted on 22 May 2006.

Appointment of trustees

The trustees are listed on page 3. The trustees are appointed on the basis of need for the organisation to have the range of skills, knowledge, and experience to monitor the activities of the organisation and set out policy.

Risk Management

The trustees have overall responsibility for The Centre for Peaceful Solutions' internal system of control. They have approved the policies and procedures that are used in our work. The board continually reviews the working practices.

The **Objects** are:-

To establish, promote and provide for the public benefit and the better preservation of public order, services directed to the resolution of conflict between persons, organisations or groups which arises from interpersonal conflict, principally through the means of mediation, conciliation and group facilitation and to provide such services for people at risk of becoming involved in such disputes.

To provide education and training concerning the resolution of disputes or conflicts and in particular to promote understanding of the nature and causes of any such dispute or conflict and of the means of managing disputes or conflicts for the purpose of their peaceful resolution in the interests of good citizenship.

To promote and provide education and training for those persons who desire to become mediators, conciliators and facilitators.

ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Overview

This year has been disrupted by the pandemic. Forcing the closure of our charity shops which is the main source of income through Gift Aid meant rethinking. This resulted in our work going online. While this worked better than expected for casework and training, prison and school closures impacted our work on site.

Our Work in Communities

This year we changed our way of working and took our casework online.

With people in lockdown for extended periods we decided to support people across London online using Zoom. This has had better outcomes than we expected for both the service and then clients.



During 2020 we have offerred 30 people continued mental and emotional support. Our sessions are conducted by 3 Dialogue Road Map Facilitators who work intensively to hold the space for the Participant to truly reflect on their situation while being bathed in empathy until they can transform their attitude and outlook to their current position and find inner peace even when life is challenging.

For example:

Jim (name changed)
Jim had participated in the DRM in Dartmoor. He left prison had rebuilt his life and became engaged to be married and moved into his fiancees home. Covid delayed the wedding but they were living together happily. His fiancee died suddenly. Not only did Jim lose the love of his life, but also his home since it belonged to his Fiancee. At at all time low and considering suicide, Jim contacted us and we supported him with regular one to one sessions until he felt more able to cope and get back to work.
"I honestly did not know where to turn or how to cope. I am so grateful for the support which has helped me to get back on my feet"

Ella (name changed)
Ella had become estranged from her family during Covid and found herself cut off and isolated during the pandemic. With no one to turn to she heard about our service and contacted us. We supported her with one to one sessions to help her identify her needs and to coach her on what a mediation with family members would be like. We contacted members of her family and contact was resumed although Ella has chosen to live apart from the family and is now supporting herself.

Our Work with Native American People



During the year, an opportunity arose to support a Native American Organization with conflict management. With the potential for shared learning and exchange we supported this non-profit organization to consider governance, healing and conflict through the eyes of the Dialogue Road Map.
At the same time, we learned about their ancient wisdom and attitudes to the land and others that are rooted in nonviolence, peace-making and stewardship. We were able to connect with the trauma of colonization and the legacy that continues to oppress. This is a growing relationship which will involve mutual exchange.

Our Work in Prisons



While prisons have been in lockdown and we have been unable to visit the prison, we have done what we can on the fringes.

Our DRM Facilitator team has depleted as the med have moved on from Dartmoor and we have been unable to train new cohorts.

However, we have been able to stay in touch using a service called Email a Prisoner to keep some contact and support alive. We are also in contact with the Facilitators who have left prison and want to remain connected to the Dialogue Road Map.

Given the different experiences of leaving prison that we have been listening to, we are working on a new project for people leaving prison who have no emotional support. Having paid their debt to society we believe it is important that ex-prisoners are supported to re-enter society with dignity and accountability.

Statement of Public Benefit

In setting our objectives and planning our activities, our trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

CPS is committed to enabling as many people as possible to benefit through casework, participation in workshops, training and volunteering. This year given the challenges of the Pandemic, we have supported at least 50 people directly and impacted at least 200 people indirectly.

Financial Review

The main income for 2020/21 came from Gift Aid from our charity shops have provided some income and our fee generating Training Programme has also brought in income. Our aim is to ensure that our running costs can be sustained through our enterprise.

Reserves Policy

The charity can cover its running costs for 6 months. This will enable the charity to meet statutory and contractual responsibilities in the event of ceasing to trade.

Statement of the Trustees' Responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the association's financial activities during the period and of its financial position at the end of the period.

In preparing accounts giving a true and fair view, the management committee should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the accounts;
- prepare accounts on the going concern basis.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the law. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and for taking the reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

By the order of the trustees

Maria Arpa
Signed on 06/10/21 @ 16:31

Signed
Maria Arpa, Chairperson
Date: 25th September 2021

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Centre for Peaceful Solutions

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Centre for Peaceful Solutions
I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Centre for Peaceful Solutions (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2021.

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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

Jeremy Harrod FCCA
Chartered Certified Accountant
Redhouse and Associates Business Services Ltd
164a Kenton Road
Kenton
Harrow
Middlesex
HA3 8BL

Date: 6/10/21

Centre for Peaceful Solutions

Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31 March 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		16,606	131,203	147,809	130,708
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Charitable		28,216	63,584	91,800	123,122
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(11,610)	67,619	56,009	7,586
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		32,303	211,972	244,275	236,689
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		20,693	279,591	300,284	244,275

The notes form part of these financial statements

Centre for Peaceful Solutions

Balance Sheet
31 March 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	5	83	-	83	1,283
Investments	6	2	-	2	2
		85	-	85	1,285
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	7	30,794	-	30,794	30,794
Cash at bank		-	279,591	279,591	212,159
		30,794	279,591	310,385	242,953
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	8	(10,186)	-	(10,186)	37
NET CURRENT ASSETS		20,608	279,591	300,199	242,990
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		20,693	279,591	300,284	244,275
NET ASSETS		20,693	279,591	300,284	244,275
FUNDS	10				
Unrestricted funds				20,693	32,303
Restricted funds				279,591	211,972
TOTAL FUNDS				300,284	244,275

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 6/10/21 and were signed on its behalf by:

Maria Arpa
Signed on 06/10/21 @ 16:31

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M Arpa - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements
The financial statements of the charity, 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 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at market value.

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.

Expenditure
Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, 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 accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets
Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings - 20% on cost

Taxation
The charity is exempt from 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.

2. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

	2021	2020
	£	£
Trustees' salaries	50,000	50,000
Trustees' social security	5,688	-
	55,688	50,000

In keeping with the conditions of the constitution, Ms M Arpa, who is a Trustee and CEO of the charity and is responsible for the delivery of the programmes, is allowed remuneration and expenses. Her remuneration for the year to 31 March 2021 was £50,000(2020-£50,000).

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2021 nor for the year ended 31 March 2020.

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3. STAFF COSTS

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

	2021	2020
Direct charitable work	2	1

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

4. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	12,342	118,366	130,708
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Charitable	25,125	97,997	123,122
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(12,783)	20,369	7,586
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	45,086	191,603	236,689
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	32,303	211,972	244,275

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £
COST	
At 1 April 2020 and 31 March 2021	6,379
DEPRECIATION	
At 1 April 2020	5,096
Charge for year	1,200
At 31 March 2021	6,296
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 March 2021	83
At 31 March 2020	1,283

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6. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Shares in group undertakings £
MARKET VALUE	
At 1 April 2020 and 31 March 2021	2
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 March 2021	2
At 31 March 2020	2

There were no investment assets outside the UK.

7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021 £	2020 £
Other debtors	30,794	30,794

8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021 £	2020 £
Bank loans and overdrafts (see note 9)	10,174	-
Trade creditors	-	(50)
Taxation and social security	(6)	(5)
Other creditors	18	18
	10,186	(37)

9. LOANS

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	2021 £	2020 £
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Bank overdrafts	10,174	-

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10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.20 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.21 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	32,303	(11,610)	-	20,693
Restricted funds				
Prison services	135,268	-	(35,000)	100,268
USA Project	1,636	(3,016)	35,000	33,620
Schools	17,110	-	-	17,110
DRM	57,958	72,693	(6,627)	124,024
DRM Casework	-	(2,058)	6,627	4,569
	211,972	67,619	-	279,591
TOTAL FUNDS	244,275	56,009	-	300,284

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	16,606	(28,216)	(11,610)
Restricted funds			
USA Project	-	(3,016)	(3,016)
DRM	111,608	(38,915)	72,693
DRM Casework	19,595	(21,653)	(2,058)
	131,203	(63,584)	67,619
TOTAL FUNDS	147,809	(91,800)	56,009

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10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.20 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	45,086	(12,783)	32,303
Restricted funds			
Prison services	151,492	(16,224)	135,268
USA Project	6,690	(5,054)	1,636
Schools	28,201	(11,091)	17,110
Big Potential	5,220	(5,220)	-
DRM	-	57,958	57,958
	191,603	20,369	211,972
TOTAL FUNDS	236,689	7,586	244,275

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	12,342	(25,125)	(12,783)
Restricted funds			
Prison services	21,687	(37,911)	(16,224)
USA Project	4,578	(9,632)	(5,054)
Schools	4,613	(15,704)	(11,091)
Big Potential	-	(5,220)	(5,220)
EU	3,618	(3,618)	-
DRM	83,870	(25,912)	57,958
	118,366	(97,997)	20,369
TOTAL FUNDS	130,708	(123,122)	7,586

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10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.4.19 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.21 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	45,086	(24,393)	-	20,693
Restricted funds				
Prison services	151,492	(16,224)	(35,000)	100,268
USA Project	6,690	(8,070)	35,000	33,620
Schools	28,201	(11,091)	-	17,110
Big Potential	5,220	(5,220)	-	-
DRM	-	130,651	(6,627)	124,024
DRM Casework	-	(2,058)	6,627	4,569
	191,603	87,988	-	279,591
TOTAL FUNDS	236,689	63,595	-	300,284

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	28,948	(53,341)	(24,393)
Restricted funds			
Prison services	21,687	(37,911)	(16,224)
USA Project	4,578	(12,648)	(8,070)
Schools	4,613	(15,704)	(11,091)
Big Potential	-	(5,220)	(5,220)
EU	3,618	(3,618)	-
DRM	195,478	(64,827)	130,651
DRM Casework	19,595	(21,653)	(2,058)
	249,569	(161,581)	87,988
TOTAL FUNDS	278,517	(214,922)	63,595

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11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2021.

12. DONATIONS

Donations includes £691 (2020 : £15,068) from Peaceful Solutions Limited and Peaceful Solutions Mediation Services Limited both companies of which are wholly owned subsidiaries of Centre for Peaceful Solutions Limited.