WAGING PEACE

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Details

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Activities

Objects: THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC IN THE SUBJECTS OF WAR AND PEACE, THE ENVIRONMENT AND DEMOCRACY; ANDTHE PROMOTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS (AS SET OUT IN THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS ("UDHR") AND SUBSEQUENT UNITED NATIONS CONVENTIONS AND DECLARATIONS AND IN REGIONAL CODES OF HUMAN RIGHTS WHICH INCORPORATE THE RIGHTS CONTAINED IN THE UDHR AND THOSE SUBSEQUENT CONVENTIONS AND DECLARATIONS), FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC FOR PEOPLE PRINCIPALLY SITUATED IN SUDAN, AND ANY OTHER PLACES IN THE WORLD THAT THE CHARITY TRUSTEES CONSIDER APPROPRIATE, IN SUCH WAYS AS THE CHARITY TRUSTEES THINK FIT, INCLUDING (WITHOUT LIMITATION) BY:MONITORING ABUSES OF HUMAN RIGHTS;RESEARCH INTO HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES;EDUCATING THE PUBLIC ABOUT HUMAN RIGHTS BY: ORGANISING AND ASSISTING IN THE PROVISION OF CONFERENCES, COURSES OF INSTRUCTION, EXHIBITIONS, LECTURES AND OTHER EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES; PUBLISHING BOOKS, PAMPHLETS, REPORTS, LEAFLETS, JOURNALS, FILMS, TAPES AND INSTRUCTIONAL MATTER ON ANY MEDIA; AND SUCH OTHER EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES NECESSARY FOR PROMOTION OF THE OBJECT OF THE CHARITY;PROVIDING TECHNICAL ADVICE TO GOVERNMENT AND OTHERS ON HUMAN RIGHTS MATTERS;CONTRIBUTING TO THE SOUND ADMINISTRATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS LAW;COMMENTING ON PROPOSED HUMAN RIGHTS LEGISLATION;RAISING AWARENESS OF HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES;PROMOTING PUBLIC SUPPORT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS;PROMOTING RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AMONG INDIVIDUALS AND CORPORATIONS;INTERNATIONAL ADVOCACY OF HUMAN RIGHTS;ELIMINATING INFRINGEMENTS OF HUMAN RIGHTS;AND ASSISTING AND SUPPORTING ANY OTHER CHARITIES AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS WHICH THE CHARITY TRUSTEES CONSIDER TO BE WORKING TO PROMOTE OR ADVANCE OBJECTS EQUIVALENT TO THOSE OF THE CHARITY.IN FURTHERANCE OF THAT OBJECT BUT NOT OTHERWISE, THE TRUSTEES SHALL HAVE POWERTO ENGAGE IN POLITICAL ACTIVITY PROVIDED THAT THE TRUSTEES ARE SATISFIED THAT THE PROPOSED ACTIVITIES WILL FURTHER THE PURPOSES OF THE CHARITY TO AN EXTENT JUSTIFIED BY THE RESOURCES COMMITTED AND THE ACTIVITY IS NOT THE DOMINANT MEANS BY WHICH THE CHARITY CARRIES OUT ITS OBJECTS.

Activities: Works to support Sudanese individuals, with a focus on those claiming asylum or with refugee or other status, to build meaningful lives in the UK.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED. IN PRACTICE, NATIONAL
- Throughout England And Wales

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Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-09-30	£205,608	£203,391	-	-
2024-09-30	£192,588	£179,378	-	-
2023-09-30	£158,467	£144,614	-	-
2022-09-30	£132,102	£103,364	-	-
2021-09-30	£128,387	£83,965	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Amna Abdallah		2023-03-09
Dame Rosalind Marsden		2017-01-23
Mahgoub Tawer Kafi		2023-03-09
REBECCA CARMICHAEL TINSLEY		2017-12-07
Richard Cockett		2015-12-01
Shaughnessy Hawkins		2020-08-27
Toufique Hosaain		2013-11-13
Victoria Harding-Mbogo		2020-07-02

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Accounts

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ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

WAGING PEACE
LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION
YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

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WAGING PEACE
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

Mission
To support Sudanese asylum-seekers and refugees to build meaningful lives in the UK.

Vision
A Sudanese-British community leading fulfilling lives, and contributing to local and national life in UK, while working for an inclusive, diverse, and peaceful Sudan.

Strategic aims
- To provide a range of responsive, quality services to support Sudanese refugees to build meaningful lives in UK.
- To increase awareness of the needs of Sudanese refugees and to influence local, national, and international policy and service development in relation to Sudan.
- To develop a strong and sustainable organisation so that it may achieve its strategic aims.

Our USP
We occupy a unique position as a service provider for the Sudanese diaspora and a trusted 'critical friend' to a wide range of individuals and organisations operating in the Sudan policy and practice landscape. We act as a 'hub' for: advice and information, provision of support to Sudanese diaspora; in-depth, non-partisan cultural and political insight and understanding; expert opinion; developing links and facilitating dialogue.

Values
Trust - We've built trust by standing and working with, not abandoning, Sudan and its people.
Empowerment - Power with. We support and encourage each individual to fulfil their potential.
Neutrality - While we are committed to fighting for universal human rights, we believe there are Sudanese solutions to Sudanese challenges.
Transparency - We are deeply committed to working collaboratively with individuals and organisations, seeking feedback and consultation wherever possible.
Compassion - We are guided by love and held by boundaries. We seek to do all that is possible, and sometimes more, whilst knowing our limits.

Wider context
This year was characterised by the continuation of war in Sudan which began on 15 April 2023, and which has now entered into its third year. Sudan is the site of the world's worst humanitarian, protection, hunger, sexual violence, and displacement crisis. Up to a third of Sudan's population has been displaced. While only a small proportion of these global refugees reach the UK, Sudan is consistently in the top 10 countries of origin for those claiming asylum, with application numbers, and demand for Waging Peace's support, rising. A great many more are looking to make the journey from Calais, where 60% of the camp's residents are Sudanese.

Sudanese individuals have practically no safe and legal routes to the UK, hence being in the top 5 countries for so-called 'irregular' means of entry according to the Home Office immigration statistics in the year to June 2025. They are therefore the topic of rising right-wing discourse about 'small boat' arrivals. Sadly, once here they are victims of coordinated protest and attacks on asylum hotel accommodation sites, which have gained momentum since the August 2024 race riots. They often also suffer hate crimes given they are a black or Arab, predominantly Muslim, group.

More broadly, Sudanese individuals are impacted by rapidly changing Home Office policy, including most recently the suspension of family reunion, and restriction of future citizenship pathways. In the year to June 2025, Sudanese were the most common nationality among 'Unaccompanied Asylum-Seeking Children' claiming asylum according to official Home Office statistics. These young people are often age-assessed incorrectly, left in unsuitable accommodation, and barred from appropriate education. Many people we work with sadly end up street homeless due to low housing provision, and impoverished due to a lack of understanding about benefits and other UK processes, exacerbating already poor mental and physical health.

The impacts of Sudan's war on the community in the UK cannot be understated. It has been reflected to us that logging into Facebook is like reading a newspaper's obituary pages; the scale of loss is unimaginable. The wider community has expressed feeling dehumanised by the international community as a neglected war on a crowded global stage. Many if not all struggle with post-traumatic stress disorder and mental health issues. The polarising nature of war also sows division and limits the room for dialogue which has as its focus reconciliation, healing,

and the integration of trauma. This is exacerbated by deliberate and inflammatory acts of transnational repression or harassment, for instance physical violence targeting female attendees of a Chatham House event on 31 October 2024 (which led to the creation of a campaigning group discussed below); and the announcement by one of the warring parties, the Rapid Support Forces (RSF), of a parallel government initiative from within the British Parliament in February 2025. Waging Peace is increasingly navigating in this polarisation, relying on our almost 21-year history building networks of trust.

Aim 1: To provide a range of responsive, quality services to support Sudanese refugees to build meaningful lives in UK

- Our casework has continued to become more complex due to the above context, often involving hours of emotional support to beneficiaries impacted by the war. Nonetheless, we have supported many individuals to build their version of a meaningful life in the UK.
    - Notable examples include: support provided to a mother-of-3 victim of 'transnational marriage abandonment' now stranded in northern France and seeking to return to the UK; helping an individual obtain a lawyer to address long-term housing insufficiency; reuniting a young man with items confiscated by police; coordinating the submission of a citizenship application of a long-term UK resident; a visit to a woman isolated with terminal cancer in a London hotel, including support to her to enable her to make end-of-life decisions; signposting individuals who were being made street homeless to relevant services; providing food parcels to those entering Ramadan without suitable provisions; support to UK-based individuals supporting victims of rape and sexual violence in Sudan; and to a young man looking to be reunited with his younger brother who had been kidnapped then released by warring parties in Sudan.
    - In all cases we maintain careful notes on beneficiary contact using our customer relationship management software, CharityLog. We will additionally digitise referrals to us via CharityLog in the next financial year.
    - At times we also had to offer guidance to individuals who had been victims of harassment and hate crimes. We are exploring dedicated training on this topic for our community. This has also involved steps to safeguard our own digital and physical safety as a charity.
    - We produced a comprehensive country of origin information report on the political, security, humanitarian, and wider situation in Sudan for use by our beneficiaries, their lawyers, and Home Office decision-makers, as well as to raise awareness among members of the public.[1]
    - We are regularly approached by those in the wider migration policy and practice sector to provide detail on Sudan-specific beneficiary considerations.
    - We continue to provide information, and training opportunities to our Sudan new arrivals volunteer WhatsApp group, which connects dozens of individuals supporting Sudanese nationals in the UK, drawn from the Sudanese, British, and wider communities. Many of them are themselves former or current beneficiaries who want to give back in some way.
    - We distributed hardship grants as asylum and refugee support, and maintained an increased spend against this dedicated account. Monies went towards beneficiaries' core needs, as well as for items that they identified as helping them live their version of a meaningful life, for instance moving costs to take bulky items to new accommodation, hot drinks when we meet up to provide emotional support, travel costs for college and other course attendance, new clothing or postage costs to send donated items etc.
    - Over the course of the year, we distributed the bulk of two separate restricted grants totalling £35,000 from the Cyril Taylor Charitable Foundation to provide higher education grants of up to £5,000 per person for those who had had their studies interrupted by Sudan's war. In addition to distributing these monies, we also checked in with beneficiaries regularly to offer emotional and practical support to help them settle into university life. Many we helped in this way would have otherwise been unable to meet prohibitive accommodation, tuition, and associated costs, but with our help they have progressed to future years of study.
    - We continued to connect individuals to cultural and integrative opportunities, for instance theatre shows for which we received free tickets.
    - We continued to distribute free 6-month data SIMs received by applying to Vodafone's charities.connected scheme, aiding digital inclusion.
    - Moving quotes from clients include:
        - *"As you well know, my relationship with [Waging Peace] is very close, and I constantly feel that I am going through the most difficult and challenging periods of my life. I have remained strong thanks to your emotional and moral support, and I will never forget that your*

[1] See https://wagingpeace.info/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/The-Situation-In-Sudan-September-2025-FINAL-v.12.pdf (Also navigable to on our website at https://wagingpeace.info/our-work/research-reports/

encouragement and the support of [Waging Peace] – my second home – played a significant role in helping me continue on my path."

- *About engaging in our January 2025 Parliamentary exhibition of children's drawings: "That experience had a profound impact on me. It didn't just deepen my advocacy, it reframed my academic and professional direction. [...] It gave me the confidence and clarity to pursue advocacy that is rooted in lived experience but driven by institutional change. [...] Your kind words genuinely mean a lot, you both have not once failed this far to make my experience feel valid and authentic, for that I deeply thank you because at a time when everything felt intangible and completely dull for me, you helped me torch the way and reminded me of the visions I always embodied but forcefully had to bury due to the lack of support and no network that understood why I felt the need to participate in shaping political discourse. Where I come from women have little to no voice, which I am sure you're both familiar with working with fellow Sudanese refugees and others caught in hardship, so to have trusted me the way you both did is something I will carry for life."*

- We kickstarted the financial year with an opportunity for those impacted by community polarisation, and the war in Sudan, to meet together for an event named '*Shay al Maghreb*' or 'tea at sunset', co-hosted with the Sudanese Legal Network. This was held on 19 October 2024 at the St Ethelburga's Centre for Reconciliation and Peace, in a bedouin tent in their peace garden. It provided a valuable space allowing the community to grieve, be witnessed in their pain, and integrate trauma. Conversations during the event encompassed important but difficult topics of racism, identity, and belonging in Sudan.

- In our last financial year we reported that we had brought to a close the 'Peace by Piece' *toub,* or at least version 1.0 of this garment. A *toub* is a style of Sudanese women's clothing. This 'Peace by Piece' *toub* is the result of a trauma-informed and arts-based project which quite literally weaved together Sudanese women's calls, and those of their allies, for 'freedom, peace, and justice' in the country. Dedicated sewing circles and workshops nationwide produced beautifully designed squares of fabric. The squares were then stitched together (mostly by hand!) by a volunteer, Liela Medani, into a now truly giant *toub*. We produced items to promote the 'Peace by Piece' *toub* such as an outcomes document,[2] postcards and roller banners. The *toub* has now been seen by many thousands of visitors given its loan to the prestigious London Imperial War Museum for their free exhibition 'Unsilenced: Sexual Violence in Conflict', where it sits alongside other items relating to our work, including a sample of children's drawings (mentioned further below).[3] We invited a group of 15 women who had contributed to the project to attend the private launch of the exhibition on 22 May 2025, and attendees found great meaning in attending, saying: "The toub, it is unbelievable. I remember when we started, and look where it is now. It is an amazing [piece] that presents the strength of the unity and beauty. Whenever I see it I feel that we could go far with our dreams."[4] The *toub* has been on display since this May 2025 launch, and will be in place until 2 November 2025. We helped promote the exhibition to important audiences such as Her Royal Highness The Duchess of Edinburgh who attended the exhibition on 4 June 2025, the Rt Hon Anneliese Dodds MP who attended on 3 June, and to our Sudanese community groups and other supporters, particularly from the group Sudanese Women for Peace, who themselves wanted to advocate on this issue, as many are themselves survivors of sexual violence, or are in touch with survivors in Sudan. This is the group mentioned above which was formed after the harassment of female activists outside Chatham House in October 2024.

- Liela was also the focus of a short documentary film project by director Tom Newman. The film 'Liela's Journey' focuses on her experiences having to flee Sudan in July 2023, and her campaigning efforts after this, including with the *toub*. In preparing this documentary, Tom was also supported by many individuals who provided their time and expertise free-of-charge, and staff spent many hours supporting Liela through the process, especially considering the risks of raising your voice on Sudan at a time of such community polarisation. The film had its premiere at a packed screening hosted by Haringey Community Cinema on 4 September 2025, and it subsequently won 'best short documentary' at the Luleå International Film Festival in Sweden on 27 September 2025.

- We continued to support the London women's group with venue costs for monthly meetings. Meetings are routinely attended by 15-20 women and their children. We also provide ideas and facilitate connections to those offering training on areas of interest, such as domestic violence. On 29 July 2025, we supported over

[2] https://wagingpeace.info/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/Peace-by-Piece-FINAL.pdf
[3] https://www.iwm.org.uk/events/unsilenced-sexual-violence-in-conflict
[4] More reflections in a related newsletter at https://us8.campaign-archive.com/?u=ad2e55ee55f922c30fad1adb3&id=b651074da4

50 members of this group, including children, to meet with a volunteer in Colchester, who then led them around the city, including to the Colchester Castle and associated museum, the volunteer's own allotment, and to sit with one another in the park, exploring the Roman walls and history. This day was a valuable cultural, integrative, and mental health and wellbeing day for attendees. The leader of this women's group has maintained fortnightly work experience with us in finance and book-keeping, discussed below. In July 2025, we also collaborated with a Sudanese-led organisation, Almahana's Women Welfare, to support a women's group in Nottingham, itself supporting women of the Zaghawa ethnicity. We supported over 100 women and children within this group to visit the London zoo. The leader of this group said: "You made something special for us and we will never forget that moment, it will be remembered forever."

Aim 2: To increase awareness of the needs of Sudanese refugees and to influence local and national policy and service development in relation to Sudan

- Following the success of our launch of the book *The Children's Drawings* in April 2024, the project has gone from strength to strength. The book was promoted to academic audiences at an educator event on 9 October 2024 we held in collaboration with the Imperial War Museum (at which we also spoke about the experiences of students whose studies had been interrupted by war); and to members of the Society for the Study of the Sudans (SSSUK) at two annual conferences throughout this financial year, and in their well-circulated journal. A new Sudan teacher resource was developed based on the drawings themselves by an academic at the Wiener Holocaust Library. The book was the subject of a long-form digital and print media piece in the May 2025 edition of Prospect Magazine, and we supported the journalist to track down a former child artist, now working as a gold miner in the country.[5] The drawings themselves also featured in two separate films launched this year: 'War Paint – Women at War' about women war artists, and which was promoted widely in the UK including at dedicated events we attended;[6] and 'Khartoum' which premiered at Sundance, took home the Gilda Viera de Mello award at the Geneva Film Festival, and was displayed to the United Nations Human Rights Council, as well as in New York.[7] 'Khartoum' will launch to UK audiences in early October 2025, and we are supporting various screenings in the coming financial year. We continued to distribute copies of our book free-of-charge to decision-makers and those within the Sudanese diaspora, and to receive donations towards the book's production from other audiences, leading to increased online donation activity. The book is always received with evident emotion, many commend its dignified treatment of the drawings and the children's voices. All 500 copies of the first edition were distributed in this financial year.

- In early 2025, we received a new collection of drawings from children in refugee camps in Chad, which had themselves been gathered at the beginning of the year by two journalist brothers, Marcus and Tomas Ray who were inspired to replicate our collection methodology as outlined in the first edition of The Children's Drawings. Following their donation to us, we ensured the original drawings were safely archived and digitised alongside our wider collection of drawings at the Wiener Holocaust Library. We then made the decision to include five of these drawings in a revised second edition of the book. These new images bear particular witness to suffering in Darfur, and in the city of El Fasher, which remains besieged at the time of authoring this report. The revised second edition was again designed *pro bono* by Carrie Braes, and launched in July 2025 with a print run of a further 500 copies. It will be launched to youth audiences at an event being planned at King's College London on 1 November 2025. We maintain a careful process to log our book inventory, as well as a process for the distribution of our books.

- The book, and the drawings themselves, have been a particularly useful tool driving Parliamentary interest in, and galvanising action on, Sudan. From 17-24 January 2025 the drawings were displayed in Parliament's Upper Waiting Hall for an exhibition titled 'Sudan's Children Call for Justice', sponsored by Joe Powell MP. We engaged 40 volunteers from diaspora groups including the Darfur Diaspora Association, Sudanese Women for Peace, and youth representatives including those from Madaniya, to 'staff' the exhibition and encourage Parliamentarians to stop by. Over the course of the week, over 50 different MPs from all parties were directly engaged by volunteers, including the then Foreign Secretary the Rt Hon David Lammy MP, as well as Peers in the House of Lords, and members of the public. One MP said "I have just seen your collection of drawings in Parliament. It is a truly powerful message seen through the eyes of the young and innocent

[5] https://www.prospectmagazine.co.uk/world/africa/69621/the-drawings-that-captured-sudans-genocide?fbclid=IwY2xjawJbRixleHRuA2FlbQIxMQABHQPz6coUcxVqGp-k8wn0tcx_FmXwZkw25u7_hPXkfAjUc098MZdavkJn3Q_aem_iBj37oyzr7lwljrLGI8d4A

[6] https://www.foxtrotfilms.com/films/war-paint-women-at-war/

[7] https://www.khartoummovie.com/

who should never have to imagine, let alone see, anything so evil as war." The exhibition also involved a dedicated event on 21 January 2025 with speakers from the All-Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) on Sudan & South Sudan, Sudanese activists, and experts in international humanitarian law and child justice. The exhibition led directly to requests by key MPs to meet Waging Peace in the months following, and continued close engagement around key Parliamentary debates, and our own charity activities.

- This exhibition continued our charity's emphasis on increasing Parliamentary and democratic understanding and engagement among the diaspora. Throughout February and March 2025, we hosted weekly online trainings on engaging MPs, first during lunchtimes, and then in evenings to accommodate Ramadan *iftar* times. Through this many dozens of individuals were engaged to approach their MPs directly, using dedicated resources we had prepared for the purpose, in both English and Arabic. This training culminated on 25 June 2025 with a trip to Parliament itself during which individuals could 'green card' and lobby their constituency MPs on topics of concern to them, as well as meet established Sudan allies in Parliament. On the day, 30 individuals were supported in this process. Two attendees told us: "I felt this heaviness and now I feel a release, because I got to speak about what's happening" and "Thank you for giving us the chance to meet and talk to our MP, for first time in our life." This day led to the adoption of new members by the APPG on Sudan & South Sudan, and in subsequent debates and urgent questions on Sudan whereby the MPs engaged have emphasised the importance of their diaspora constituents. Following this lobby day, we then engaged nine individuals directly in a 'train the trainer' programme to in turn train their own communities on Parliamentary engagement, through either a constituency event with an MP/group of local MPs, and/or a 'green carding' lobby trip to Parliament. They are again supported with dedicated written materials. This training will culminate in a planned large Sudan mass lobby on 15 October 2025, as well as in ongoing events in our next financial year.

- We continued to support diaspora-led and Sudanese civil society groups, particularly towards improved sustainability and governance as organisations, and to help individuals to step into their own leadership potential. This built on dedicated training on leadership and governance offered in our last financial year. Our support extends to groups focused on specific regions like Darfur, or on themes like women and their role in peacebuilding (for instance the newly formed Sudanese Women for Peace), or on the topic of governance. Commenting on support received from us, a group we helped this year said: "... we would like to assure you that our last meeting with you was very important and productive. It provided us with practical ideas and concrete steps that will help us progress toward our goals and objectives, and it gave us confidence in establishing a more sustainable foundation for the future." We continued to coordinate information-sharing and discussion-based WhatsApp groups, virtual spaces, social media platforms, and peer support groups which engage the Sudanese community on issues of interest such as women, peacebuilding, and immigration. We attended and sometimes helped fund Sudanese-led events and activities, or else facilitated Sudanese speakers for events held by other organisations. For instance we supported a side event at the Assembly of State Parties in December 2024, furthermore hosting an 'FAQ'-style blog from the International Criminal Court to our newsletter list in April 2025;[8] we suggested a singer for a Sudanese music festival in Bristol in November 2024; helped arrange an event co-hosted by the Darfur Diaspora Association and René Cassin at the Wiener Holocaust Library in January 2025; provided support to a memorial service for former Sudanese female politician Fatima Ibrahim in August 2025; and organised Sudanese individuals for key media moments, such as the hand-in of letters alongside celebrities to 10 Downing Street in June 2025.

- We continued our leadership development programme offering Sudanese chairpersonship of the UK-Sudan advocacy working group we convene. This chair position rotates to a new individual annually. We also increased participation within the group of UK-based Sudanese-led civil society organisations, developing process around new member engagement. The working group held four quarterly meetings and hosted other *ad hoc* engagement. Our support of the group continues to ensure we act as a hub for the Sudan policy and practice community including through bilateral collaboration.

- One such example of this collaboration was our close coordination with the organisations Governance Programming Overseas, Global Rights Compliance, and Strategic Initiative for Women in the Horn of Africa (SIHA), when SIHA's regional director Hala Al-Karib came to London for an advocacy visit in April 2025. As a collective, we ensured that she was able to secure high-profile meetings to profile the epidemic of sexual violence in Sudan with Parliamentarians, the media, the NGO policy and practice community, the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, and beyond. This collaboration led to a joint social media campaign aimed at shifting the narrative around the London Ministerial on 15 April 2025 (the two-year anniversary of the outbreak of Sudan's latest war) towards women-led initiatives.

[8] https://us8.campaign-archive.com/?u=ad2e55ee55f922c30fad1adb3&id=c66e5c7d30

- We continue to be part of wider ecosystems including the refugee sector (for instance networks focused on lifting the ban on the right to work, and human trafficking) and other related foreign-policy-focused groups, furthermore ensuring Sudanese voices have a seat at these tables:
  - We continued to capitalise on our relationship with APPG on Sudan & South Sudan, most recently under new chair the Rt Hon Anneliese Dodds MP. We also maintain connections with other APPGs, for instance on Women, Peace, and Security (WPS).
  - We continued to feed into media on Sudan, and on the situation faced by Sudanese individuals in the UK, including with the BBC programmes 'Lifeline' re-launched in February 2025; and its Dars programme offering Arabic-language educational tools to displaced Sudanese nationals.
  - We maintained and deepened our connection to the Association of Visitors to Immigration Detainees (AVID), regularly attending monthly catch-up meetings, and taking part in fundraising training they offered to members this year which adopts an anti-oppression lens, likewise extending this opportunity to a Sudanese individual engaged in fundraising for their own organisation. We likewise offered our space at AVID's conference in February 2025 to a Sudanese beneficiary we know who is engaged in this space and runs her own charity. In AVID, and in the campaigning group Detention Forum, we remained a voice pushing for Sudanese or lived experience inclusion and leadership, and for the impact of 'quasi-detention' settings like hotel accommodation.
  - We attended the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust's national ceremony in January 2025, and regularly attended HMDT's Partnership Group meetings, speaking forcefully about the continued need to mark the Darfur genocide in their programming, despite risks it would be dropped due to a change in government stance.
  - We remained engaged with the Atrocity Prevention Working Group, informing attendees about Sudanese needs and wishes, including the impact of immigration policy on protection options for those fleeing Sudan's war now in the UK.

Aim 3: To develop a strong and sustainable organisation so that it may achieve its strategic aims

- During this year we marked Waging Peace's 20th anniversary existing as an organisation under this name, and we will soon celebrate our 21st anniversary in November 2025.

- Our staffing and capacity fluctuated throughout this year, with the departure of individuals in the roles of Welcome & Wellbeing Support Coordinator; Archive and Documentation Lead/Outreach and Training Officer; and the temporary and part-time support of a Senior Operations Management Consultant. We maintained the employment of the two Co-Executive Directors. In one case, a former staff person returned to work with us in a consultancy capacity. We also benefitted from the support of someone with *ad hoc* translation and interpretation. And since November 2022 we have supported someone to undertake work experience in finance and accounting with us, attending our office fortnightly to receive skills-based training in online bookkeeping software and digital literacy. We also benefitted from volunteer relationships with individuals such as Mariam Sorour as an Advocacy and Human Rights Intern, and from a small volunteer network of other supportive individuals. Co-Executive Directors prioritise management processes, closely developing, implementing, and reviewing policies and procedures. In addition, Co-Executive Directors benefit from other established consultancy relationships in the areas of Business Development, Employment Law, IT infrastructure support and Web hosting, Accountancy, Graphic design, and ad hoc professional trauma-informed mental health supervision to enhance well-being. Co-Executive Directors will keep staffing levels, aimed at improving organisational reach and capacity, under careful review in the coming financial year.

- Waging Peace maintained its commitment to mental health and wellbeing, ensuring Sudanese supporters and staff have access to mental health and wellbeing initiatives, from clinical supervision to dedicated wellbeing days, stipends, and activities. Throughout the course of this financial year this involved a wellbeing day on 14 October 2024, and the distribution of a stipend for each staff person to use as they saw fit for their personal wellness; a creative 'mosaic workshop' wellbeing day on 9 April 2025; and an in-person winter party in December 2024. More generally, our commitment to mental health and wellbeing flows through all our engagements, and is a key governance area on which we advise Sudanese-led and refugee sector organisations. We are detailing our approach to mental health and wellbeing in a strategy document in the coming financial year.

- We continued to benefit from lower-cost or often *pro bono* support from a network of volunteers, such as Caspar Kennerdale as our IT support and network administrator, who additionally this year drove a digital hardware and policy audit and refresh; Robert Woodfield as our dedicated external accountant; and Carrie Braes as our excellent designer.

- We continued to have successes in our fundraising, and prioritised this even while delivering a high level of programmes and activities, as the above demonstrates. Our updated 18-month strategic plan reflects the volatile national and global context as well as our core strategic aims and values. We maintain reserves which reflect at least 3 months' expenditure, and which we have kept commensurate to increased costs given a recent higher level of programme and project delivery.

- The Board continued to provide excellent support to staff, from individual engagements, to all-trustee support offered through thrice-yearly meetings, and regular Chair catch-ups with Co-Executive Directors, as well as *ad hoc* online discussion opportunities. Digital processes were strengthened including the use of trustee-specific email addresses and file sharing options. Following a consultative and exploratory process led by the Board, the decision was made to move from an audit of our accounts to an independent examination, aided by the close and careful management of financial processes throughout the year, and the adoption of online bookkeeping software options Xero and Dext.

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period.

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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP 2019 (FRS 102);
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Victoria Harding (Jan 15, 2026, 6:27pm)

V Harding-Mbogo
Trustee
Date: 15 Jan 2026

WAGING PEACE
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES
YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Waging Peace (the Charity) for the year ended 30 September 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared financial statements in accordance with 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) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 charity 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 the accounts as 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 financial statements to be reached.



K Hilliard ACA FCCA CTA
Chartered Accountant
For and on behalf of Price Bailey LLP

36 Tyndall Court
Commerce Road
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Date: 21 January 2026

WAGING PEACE
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITES
YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Incoming resources					
Donations	**3**	95,192	109,227	204,419	191,253
Interest receivable		1,189	-	1,189	1,335
Total incoming resources		**96,381**	**109,227**	**205,608**	192,588
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	**4**	50,985	152,406	203,391	179,378
Total expenditure		**50,985**	**152,406**	**203,391**	179,378
Net movement in funds		**45,396**	**(43,179)**	**2,217**	**13,210**
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		110,943	43,179	154,122	140,912
Net movement in funds		45,396	(43,179)	2,217	13,210
Total funds carried forward		**156,339**	**-**	**156,339**	154,122

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 8 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

WAGING PEACE
BALANCE SHEET
YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

	Note	2025		2024	
		£	£	£	£
Current assets					
Debtors	**8**	1,513		1,873	
Cash at bank		160,534		158,675	
			162,047		160,548
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	**9**		(5,708)		(6,426)
Net current assets			**156,339**		**154,122**
Charity funds					
Restricted funds	**10,11**		-		43,179
Unrestricted funds:					
Designated funds	**12,13**	7,494		3,405	
Unrestricted funds	**12,13**	148,845		107,538	
			156,339		110,943
Total Funds			**156,339**		**154,122**

The financial statements on pages 10 to 17 were approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Victoria Harding (Jan 15, 2026, 6:27pm)

V Harding-Mbogo
Trustee
Date: 15 Jan 2026

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

WAGING PEACE
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

1. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Charity information
Waging Peace is a Registered Charity and a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). The registered office is 14 Mary's Street, Stamford, Lincolnshire, PE9 2DF.

(a) Accounting convention
The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 and "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)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principle accounting policies adopted are set out below.

(b) Going concern
At the time of approving the accounts, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

(c) Charitable funds
Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Designated funds comprise funds which have been set aside at the discretion of the trustees for specific purposes. The purposes and uses of the designated funds are set out in the notes to the accounts.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

(d) Income
Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recoginised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised once the claim has been made.

(e) Expenditure
Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis.

(f) Cash and cash equivalents
Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand and deposits held with banks.

(g) Financial Instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangment constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets are classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

2. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS

In the application of the Charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Total funds
	2025	2025	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	95,192	109,227	204,419	191,253

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4. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2025 £	2024 £
Staff costs	129,582	126,832
Project and community support costs	59,088	37,683
Rent and utilities	4,532	4,650
Office costs	3,503	2,113
Destitute asylum seekers	1,812	3,150
	198,517	174,428
Share of governance costs:		
Bank charges and interest	57	97
Independent examination and accountancy fees	4,817	4,853
	4,874	4,950
	203,391	179,378
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	50,985	83,239
Restricted funds	152,406	96,139
	203,391	179,378

5. TRUSTEES

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

6. EMPLOYEES

Number of employees
The average monthly number of employees during the year was 3 (2024: 4).

Employment costs

	2025 £	2024 £
Wages and salaries	121,023	117,916
Social security costs	6,259	6,251
Pension costs	2,300	2,665
	129,582	126,832

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was £60,000 or more.

The key management personnel of the charity which represents two members of staff whose employee benefits totalled £94,821 (2024: £89,933).

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7. TAXATION

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

8. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Other debtors	1,513	1,873

9. CREDITORS : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Other taxation and social security	1,480	2,563
Other creditors	4,228	3,863
	5,708	6,426

10. RESTRICTED FUNDS - CURRENT YEAR

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

	Balance at 1 October 2024 £	Incoming Resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 30 September 2025 £
Cyril Taylor Charitable Foundation	22,626	70,000	(92,626)	-
National Lottery Community Fund	20,553	39,227	(59,780)	-
	43,179	109,227	(152,406)	-

11. RESTRICTED FUNDS - PRIOR YEAR

	Balance at 1 October 2023 £	Incoming Resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 30 September 2024 £
Cyril Taylor Charitable Foundation	22,785	60,000	(60,159)	22,626
National Lottery Community Fund	18,982	37,728	(36,157)	20,553
	41,767	97,728	(96,316)	43,179

Cyril Taylor Charitable Foundation - this is a grant to be used to increase our reach and capacity as necessary to help with the ever increasing caseloads the charitable company is facing.

National Lottery Community Fund - this is a grant aimed at helping us to recruit and onboard a new staff member to increase our reach and capacity, and ability to support all those who approach us, reducing waiting list times.

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12. UNRESTRICTED FUNDS - CURRENT YEAR

The income funds of the charity include unrestricted funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the Trustees for general purposes:

	Balance at 1 October 2024 £	Incoming Resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 30 September 2025 £
Destitute asylum seekers	3,405	1,900	(1,811)	4,000	7,494
General funds	107,538	94,481	(49,174)	(4,000)	148,845
	110,943	96,381	(50,985)	-	156,339

13. UNRESTRICTED FUNDS - PRIOR YEAR

	Balance at 1 October 2023 £	Incoming Resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 30 September 2024 £
Destitute asylum seekers	2,555	-	(3,150)	4,000	3,405
General funds	96,590	94,860	(79,912)	(4,000)	107,538
	99,145	94,860	(83,062)	-	110,943

13. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS - CURRENT YEAR

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £
Fund balances at 30 September are represented by:			
Net current assets/(liabilities)	156,339	-	156,339

14. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS - PRIOR YEAR

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £
Fund balances at 30 September are represented by:			
Net current assets/(liabilities)	110,943	43,179	154,122

15. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year the charitable company received donations of £50,000 (2024: £50,000) from The Tinsley Charitable Trust, a charity of which Mrs R C Tinsley is a trustee.

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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Charity number	1124746
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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2024.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "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
The charity's objects are the advancement of the education of the public about war and peace, human rights, the environment and democracy and to research issues of public policy in relation to war and peace, human rights, the environment and democracy (and publish the results of such research).

Mission
To support Sudanese asylum-seekers and refugees to build meaningful lives in the UK.

Vision
A Sudanese-British community leading fulfilling lives, and contributing to local and national life in UK, while working for an inclusive, diverse, and peaceful Sudan.

Strategic aims
- To provide a range of responsive, quality services to support Sudanese refugees to build meaningful lives in UK.
- To increase awareness of the needs of Sudanese refugees and to influence local, national, and international policy and service development in relation to Sudan.
- To develop a strong and sustainable organisation so that it may achieve its strategic aims.

Our USP
We occupy a unique position as a service provider for the Sudanese diaspora and a trusted 'critical friend' to a wide range of individuals and organisations operating in the Sudan policy and practice landscape. We act as a 'hub' for: advice and information, provision of support to Sudanese diaspora; in-depth, non-partisan cultural and political insight and understanding; expert opinion; developing links and facilitating dialogue.

Values
Trust - We've built trust by standing and working with, not abandoning, Sudan and its people.
Empowerment - Power with. We support and encourage each individual to fulfil their potential.
Neutrality - While we are committed to fighting for universal human rights, we believe there are Sudanese solutions to Sudanese challenges.
Transparency - We are deeply committed to working collaboratively with individuals and organisations, seeking feedback and consultation wherever possible.
Compassion - We are guided by love and held by boundaries. We seek to do all that is possible, and sometimes more, whilst knowing our limits.

Wider context
This year has been defined by the continuation of war in Sudan which began on 15 April 2023, leading to the world's worst humanitarian, protection, and displacement crisis. As of the time of this report, 9.25 million people in the country face emergency or famine conditions; more than Gaza, South Sudan, Mali, Bangladesh, and Afghanistan combined. As we near the end of 2024, official statistics from the International Organization for Migration show that over 11 million people have been internally displaced, almost 8.5 million of whom were displaced since the outbreak of the war, 28% of whom experienced displacement for the second time, and over half of whom are under the age of 18. Over 3 million people additionally crossed into neighbouring countries to seek safety.

A small but significant minority of those fleeing Sudan are now reaching the UK. In the year to the end of June 2024, Home Office statistics show applications from Sudanese nationals were up 28%. 99% are granted protection at initial application, but this figure obscures a more complicated picture: there is the continued use of grants of 'humanitarian protection' rather than refugee status, decisions many individuals are now appealing due to the fact that this status fails to recognise the Refugee Convention reasons they had in leaving their country of origin, including violence based on ethnicity, race, gender, and other factors. Although an incoming Labour government shelved the Rwanda removals plan, administrative hurdles present significant barriers to our beneficiaries' integration and wellbeing in the UK: from inordinate delays in receiving Biometric Residence Permits; homelessness due to low levels of council housing provision; inaccessibility of legal support to help with these matters, as well as in securing documents allowing individuals to travel and see family, or to bring them to the UK on family reunion; and persistent inability to navigate UK systems and processes, as well as the job market.

These issues are compounded by the sense that the world is ignoring the plight of the Sudanese people, which is inflaming community tensions on UK streets. Protests and demonstrations have turned violent, and hate crimes are rampant against our beneficiaries who are black, Arab, and predominantly Muslim, including in August's horrifying race riots. The need for local-level reconciliation and peace efforts has increased, alongside the need for collaborative efforts from a policy and advocacy community committed to securing solutions for Sudan that prioritise the needs of Sudanese civilians and diaspora.

Achievements and performance

Aim 1: To provide a range of responsive, quality services to support Sudanese refugees to build meaningful lives in UK

- Our casework has continued to become more complex due to the above context. Nonetheless, we have secured several casework wins, and maintained the position of a dedicated Welcome & Wellbeing Support Coordinator towards our aim of helping individuals build their version of a meaningful life in the UK.
  - We continue to provide information, and training opportunities to our Sudan new arrivals volunteer WhatsApp group, which connects dozens of individuals supporting Sudanese nationals in the UK, drawn from the Sudanese, British, and wider communities.
  - We distributed hardship grants from a dedicated section of our accounts, and maintained an increased spend against this this year. Monies went towards beneficiaries' core needs, as well as for items that they identified as helping them live their version of a meaningful life, for instance travel costs for college and other course attendance, clothing etc.
  - We secured a grant from the Cyril Taylor Charitable Foundation to provide educational grants of up to £5,000 per person for those who had had their studies interrupted by Sudan's war. We provided this individual with her first grant. We also facilitated this individual to speak out about her experience in media articles and prepared her for in-person speaking opportunities.
  - We continued to connect individuals to cultural and integrative opportunities, for instance we brought 7 women together with our team on 14 October 2023 to attend a screening of 'Goodbye Julia' as part of the BFI film festival. Attendees were moved by its depictions of racism and oppression, and some spotted friends and cousins among the cast. We also facilitated the tour of Sudan-focused play, Mohand & Peter, in Oxford, London, Newcastle, and Manchester, including distribution of free tickets for those from an asylum-seeking background.
  - Continued to distribute free 6-month data SIMs received by applying to Vodafone's charities.connected scheme, aiding digital inclusion.
  - Supported several individuals experiencing street homelessness, sourcing both temporary and longer-term accommodation options, liaising and advocating with councils, and remaining connected to support organisations and offers.
  - Connecting clients without other means to the free advice and connections of a Sudanese dental professional.

- *Moving quotes from clients include:*
  - *"I wanted to take a moment to express my profound gratitude to you. Your kindness, support, and genuine presence in my life have made an immeasurable impact. Whether through words of encouragement during challenging times or shared moments of joy, your unwavering support has been a constant source of strength. Your generosity and selflessness have not only touched my heart but have also inspired me to be a better person. Thank you for the invaluable wisdom you've shared. Your presence is a gift, and I am truly thankful for your role in my journey. In you, I've found not just a friend but a beacon of warmth and understanding. Thank you for being such a positive force in my life."*
  "...I completely remember how Waging Peace did for me to make me I stand on my feet and support me to develop myself and today I to stand on my feet. So not just me, even my kids. I always I tell them about Waging Peace and how they support them when they are young. So, I'm talking now and I feel I'm crying so it is very emotions. If I talk about Waging Peace, I can talk for an hour an hour an hour."

- Peace by piece: We were able this year to bring version 1.0 of our now truly giant 'peace by piece' *toub* to a close. A *toub* is a style of Sudanese women's clothing. This project sees women decorate squares of fabric based on prompts about what being a Sudanese women means to them. The project had been launched on 12 November 2022 at a dedicated workshop for 21 Sudanese women, and the project was then forwarded through workshops in Cardiff, Birmingham, London, Bristol, and beyond, led by a volunteer Liela Musa Medani (discussed further below). It now has over 75 pieces, each created by individuals or groups of women, and measures 3 by 6 metres. The *toub* has also been exhibited nationwide symbol of unity and peacebuilding, at community, academic, policy, parliamentary, and other events. We marched it through central London and Suffragette landmarks for International Women's Day on 8 March 2024. We now turn to exploring options for 'peace by piece' *toub* 2.0.

- Leadership and governance training: We worked alongside staff member Bushra Rahama, who serves as Archive and Documentation Lead, as well as Outreach and Training Officer, to develop and provide training in leadership and documentation to over 110 individuals. This began with 1.5 days of training offered to a group of 18 Darfuri men and women leaders of their (tribal) communities from throughout the UK on 15 & 16 October 2023, which also included a visit to The Wiener Holocaust Library to view the children's drawings, the petition, and to introduce our book project (discussed further below). The training package was then subsequently offered in Glasgow on 9 March 2024; in Leeds/West Yorkshire on 13 July 2024; to youth-focused groups gathered in London on 27 July 2024; to Preston and Manchester communities on 1 September 2024; and to Cardiff-based women on 14 September 2024. In feedback, the training was overwhelmingly reviewed by participants as high-quality, and supporting them in their own leadership and governance objectives.

- The London women's group, which was restarted last year following a COVID-19 hiatus, continues to go from strength to strength. We support with venue costs for monthly meetings, routinely attended by 15-20 women and their children, and we also provide ideas and facilitate connections to those offering psychological support, or to social activities like theatre shows. On Saturday 20 July 2024, we supported and paid for over 50 members of this group, including children, to travel via river to Greenwich to visit the Royal Observatory for a cultural, integrative, and well-being day. Many women have not explored the city in which they live, due to financial constraints and low levels of confidence or English-language ability. One attendee said, "This is best trip ever since I left Sudan over ten years ago". The leader of this women's group has maintained fortnightly work experience with us in finance and book-keeping, discussed below.

. We contributed to supportive practices of other groups and organisations, for instance we:

- We provided information and guidance to the youth-led Sudanese Diaspora Network, who set up their own hardship fund earlier this year, but needed guidance on establishing policies and procedures. We initially set up monthly check-in calls with them, and shared our own developed human resources documents where needed.

  We worked with a volunteer filmmaker Tom Newman, as well as a team of supporters who primarily provided their time and expertise free-of-charge, to prepare a short documentary film on the experience of a woman who had to flee Sudan for the UK in July 2023, involving several filming days over a couple of locations. The film is due for release in our coming financial year.

  We explored crisis mental health support after a unique and tragic request made by the Bristol community, following the devastating situation of a woman killing her 3 children there and then being imprisoned, and the tensions and concerns this inflamed within the community. We maintain connections and explore possibilities with two psychotherapists.

  We worked with the Sudanese Legal Network to fund and amplify a cultural festival event showcasing Sudanese talent in October 2023 named 'Sudani Soul', ensuring representation from those from refugee backgrounds and more marginalised areas of Sudan. Our work on this project led to many creative explorations of potential events and programmes, and to mutual support 'fellowship' conversations with the organisation's Sudanese leader.

  We attended and sometimes helped fund Sudanese-led events and activities such as those held by Voice of Darfur Women, Kordofan Foundation London, the Sudanese Women's Shuttle Diplomacy Initiative, and Governance Programming Overseas, and also facilitated Sudanese speakers for events held by other organisations, for instance around International Women's Day.

  We supported two individuals to receive leadership peer support with ellaForums.

Aim 2: To increase awareness of the needs of Sudanese refugees and to influence local and national policy and service development in relation to Sudan

- One area of work dominated our policy, media, and advocacy efforts this past year, being work on our book *The Children's Drawings*, the result of over a year of effort by the core team, as well as pro bono designer Carrie Braes. The book is 80 pages, in full colour, and in English and Arabic throughout, and includes dozens of drawings by children affected by genocide and mass atrocities in Darfur, the Nuba Mountains, and Khartoum, as well as commenting on the 'trajectory of impunity' that led us to today's war. 500 copies of this book were received by us in March 2024, and the book was formally launched the evening of 9 April 2024 at the Frontline Club & online. We then additionally held a joint event with the APPG on Sudan and South Sudan on 17 April 2024 in the IPU room within Parliament, tied to 1-year anniversary of outbreak of war in Sudan, for which we helped 15 women travel to attend, who otherwise had not had the chance to enter Parliament. Press releases were also issued in 5 languages (English, Arabic, French, Spanish and German) to a wide media list. The book was covered widely in media, including in BBC Arabic; Al Jazeera; Radio Dabanga (in English and Arabic); Medameek; the New Internationalist; and on the No Walls podcast. Since April, the book has been circulated widely, and a large proportion of copies have reached Sudanese community members free-of-charge, as well as reached VIPs like US Special Envoy Tom Perriello, His Majesty King Charles III, received by Buckingham Palace, and Parliamentarians (a copy was shown in the House of Lords during a debate), media institutions, as well as many individuals who request copies of the book online, or donate for a copy directly when at events. It now also sits in the collections of major institutions like the Imperial War Museum, the Wiener Holocaust Library, Durham University Library, and can provide a focus for events on which we partner, as happened during Refugee Week in June 2024 when we collaborated with a Holocaust survivor organisation on an event on Darfur. Incredibly, our promotion of the book has led to us being re-connected with original child artists of the drawings from 17 years ago, and we have maintained contact with them and are trying to get them copies of the book when it is safe to do so.

- This year we continued to support and resource a coalition association of Darfuri community groups, primarily around justice and accountability given the ever-worsening conditions in the Darfur region. For instance we jointly partnered on an event on 5 December 2023 at The Wiener Holocaust Library attended by the International Criminal Court (ICC); helping liaise around a visit of the ICC's Chief Prosecutor to London in January 2024; facilitated training on how to complete the forms and requests for information from the ICC; and connecting the group with the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO), Parliamentary bodies including the All-Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) on Sudan and South Sudan, institutions like Chatham House including for speaker opportunities, and the Metropolitan Police's SO15 (War Crimes Unit).

- At the end of 2023 we brought to a close a relationship we had with a Sudanese woman in her support to us as volunteer chair of the UK-Sudan advocacy working group. She transferred this role to a gentleman, Elgasim Hamad, with a background in sustainability consulting. Elgasim's involvement involved training and general management, as well as flexibility given changes to his personal circumstances and capacity. We maintained our commitment to deliver at minimum four quarterly meetings per annum, often hosting these at our own offices, and at which FCDO representatives offer reflections on their work. The working group continues to receive many invitations to input from other loci of policy and advocacy activity, as well as requests for new membership. We continue to maintain a balance of remaining broadly informal and consultative, while also ensuring the group is properly managed and resourced. Our support of the group continues to ensure we act as a hub for the Sudan policy and practice community including through bilateral collaboration.

- We continued to engage the wider refugee sector and other related foreign-policy-focused groups, ensuring Sudanese voices had a place in these fora:
  - We maintained our long-established relationship with the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust, through attending its ceremony in January 2024 alongside a beneficiary and her children, and regular attendance in their Partnership Group. Particularly concerning this year was the fact that Darfur risked being dropped from their programming due to a changed government stance on whether Darfur could be labelled a genocide. We informed both HMDT, Parliamentarians, and the wider British public through private engagement and public media pieces, about the hypocrisy of this government stance.
  We continued to attend and speak in meetings held by the Atrocity Prevention Working Group, informing attendees including the FCDO's Mass Atrocity Prevention Hub, about Sudanese needs and wishes, including the protection needs for those fleeing Sudan's war now in the UK.
  We continued to build a relationship with APPG on Sudan & South Sudan reformed post-general election, attending monthly meetings, and providing postcards and imagery of the children's drawings for a physical pack to reach all Members of Parliament.
  We maintained membership of the Detention Forum, which campaigns for an end to the use of immigration detention, attending their quarterly meetings including a larger half-day conference in June 2024, encouraging attendance and membership of youth-focused Sudanese groups, and continuing to speak about the impact of 'quasi-detention' settings like hotel accommodation.
  We similarly maintained and deepened our connection to the Association of Visitors to Immigration Detainees, attending monthly catch-up meetings, and even hosting a sewing workshop together towards the 'peace by piece' *toub* in April 2024.
  Two staff members attended the Gatwick Detainee Welfare Group's Refugee Tales' day walk in July 2024.

Aim 3: To develop a strong and sustainable organisation so that it may achieve its strategic aims

- 2024 marked Waging Peace's 20th year existing as an organisation under this name.

- We maintained an increased staff size over this year, through continued employment of two Co-Executive Directors, and of the roles of Welcome & Wellbeing Support Coordinator and Archive and Documentation Lead/Outreach and Training Officer. We adopted and implemented many human resources policies and procedures, for instance to track holiday days, to allow for 'personal days' to be used towards observance of religious or spiritual practice, and to ensure our working practices adequately accommodated time-off-in-lieu hours to ensure we do not overwork ourselves. Management processes such as our weekly start-of-the-week catch-ups, monthly one-on-one meetings with staff, annual appraisals, and provision of training and development opportunities, received the double-check of consultant Ann Sanders through regular half-day meetings facilitated by a funder. Mental health and wellbeing of staff continued to be a priority, not least because of the impacts of Sudan's war, and of the race riots in August which directly threatened staff. Co-Directors attended a 2-day (self-funded) personalised mental health retreat in September 2024, and planned ahead for a staff-wide mental health and wellbeing day falling in the next financial year. The team also held an in-person winter party in December 2023. More generally, our commitment to mental health and well-being flows through all our engagements, and is a key governance area on which we advise Sudanese-led and refugee sector organisations.

- We continued to benefit from lower-cost or often *pro bono* support from a network of volunteers, such as Caspar Kennerdale as our IT support and network administrator, Robert Woodfield as our dedicated external accountant, and Carrie Braes as our excellent designer.

- We implemented and continue to manage an internal fulfilment process with book orders for *The Children's Drawings* coming into our general info@ email box which saw increased donations through our online donation platform. Processing orders includes multiple trips to the post office supported by a regular volunteer, making it possible to fulfil requests, including globally, in a timely fashion. So far books have been requested from individuals, organisations, researchers, policy experts, academics and media from various locations including throughout the UK, USA, Europe, Canada, Egypt, Uganda, Kenya and Israel.

- Alongside the launch of the book, we designed and developed three new pages to our website with Caspar Kennerdale overseeing this development. The work took three months from planning to launch and provides context and background about the children's drawings more broadly. It also includes information about the book, drawings resources, and opportunities for the public to engage with the drawings such as how to access the drawings for media, presentations, education, exhibitions and more.

- We continued to use online book-keeping software Xero and Dext, and these paperless processes are now running smoothly. This change has also occurred in tandem with the fortnightly support and training of a work experience candidate and close Sudanese contact (who also runs the London women's group), who assists Co-Executive Directors and provides a watchful eye on the books and a 'double check' on financial transactions.

- Fundraising was very successful this year, including from those funders keen to give money towards increasing our staffing and capacity, and to the educational needs of our beneficiaries. We are engaged in a process of sustainable growth to meet these needs, including through changes made to our 6, 12, and 18-month strategic plan to reflect changes to the volatile national and global context which nonetheless reflect our core strategic aims and values. We maintain reserves which reflect at least 3 months' expenditure, which we increase commensurate to the increased costs we now have as an employer.

- The Board continued to provide excellent support to staff, from individual engagements to all-trustee support offered through thrice-yearly meetings and regular Chair catch ups with Co-Executive Directors, as well as *ad hoc* online discussion opportunities. Processes have been developed around Board feedback on our policies and procedures, and on our regularly updated risk register. The Board additionally held an 'away day' on 15 November 2023 with Ann Sanders at which the topic of resourcing the team was central.

Financial review
The charity's principal sources of income are donations from individuals and other charitable organisations. In addition to monetary donations Waging Peace relies on a significant amount of volunteers time in order to achieve the objectives described in this Report.

Following the opening up of society after the COVID-19 pandemic, Waging Peace has spent significant amounts on its project, community events, training, and support costs as can be seen in the notes to the financial statements. We will continue to do so provided circumstances allow.

Reserves policy
It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to approximately three month's expenditure. The trustees considers that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year.

Structure, governance and management
Waging Peace is registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) with the Charity Commission (registered charity no. 1124746). Its governing document is the Foundation Conversion dated 27 January 2023. The charity was previously constituted as a charitable company having been registered with the Charity Commission on 30 June 2008.

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:
T Hossain
R Cockett
Dame R M Marsden
R Tinsley
V Harding-Mbogo
S Hawkins
M Kafi
A Abdallah

New trustees are appointed as required and receive a comprehensive induction on the activities of the charity.

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

Victoria Hardinge Mbogo
(May 9, 2025 21:39 BST)

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V Harding-Mbogo
Trustee
Dated: 09 May 2025

WAGING PEACE

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that year.

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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;

- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and

- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping sufficient accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

WAGING PEACE

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF WAGING PEACE

Opinion
We have audited the financial statements of Waging Peace (the 'charity') for the year ended 30 September 2024 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation 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 charity's affairs as at 30 September 2024 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- 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 accounts section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the accounts 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 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 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 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
We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 require us to report to you if, in our opinion:
- the information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the trustees' report; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the statement of trustees' responsibilities, 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 the trustees 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 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 cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditor under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

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.

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below.

- Enquiry of management and those charged with governance around actual and potential litigation and claims;
- Reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance where available;
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- Performing audit work over the risk of management override of controls, including testing of journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness.

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 regulation. 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 is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Other matters

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared financial statements 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)" (as amended) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn.

This has been done in order for the financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with current Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. 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 and the charity's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)
TO THE TRUSTEES OF WAGING PEACE

Price Bailey LLP

Price Bailey LLP

9/5/2025

Chartered Accountants
Statutory Auditor

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Lynchwood
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Price Bailey LLP is eligible for appointment as auditor of the charity by virtue of its eligibility for appointment as auditor of a company under section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
Income from:							
Donations	3	93,525	97,728	191,253	74,013	83,700	157,713
Interest receivable	4	1,335	-	1,335	754	-	754
Total income		94,860	97,728	192,588	74,767	83,700	158,467
Expenditure on:							
Charitable activities	5	83,062	96,316	179,378	82,623	61,991	144,614
Net income for the year/ Net movement in funds		11,798	1,412	13,210	(7,856)	21,709	13,853
Fund balances at 1 October 2023		99,146	41,766	140,912	107,001	20,058	127,059
Fund balances at 30 September 2024		110,944	43,178	154,122	99,145	41,767	140,912

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

WAGING PEACE

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

	Notes	2024 £	£	2023 £	£
Current assets					
Debtors	**11**	1,873		1,973	
Cash at bank and in hand		158,675		145,227	
		160,548		147,200	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	**12**	(6,426)		(6,288)	
Net current assets			154,122		140,912
Income funds					
Restricted funds	**14**		43,178		41,767
Unrestricted funds					
Designated funds	**15**	3,405		2,555	
General unrestricted funds		107,538		96,590	
			110,944		99,145
			154,122		140,912

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 09 May 2025

Victoria Hardings Mbogo (May 9, 2025, 2:59pm)

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V Harding-Mbogo

Trustee

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Waging Peace is a Registered Charity and a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) constituted under a Foundation Conversion dated 27 January 2023. The charity was previously constituted as a Charitable Company having been registered with the Charity Commission on 30 June 2008. The charity's principal address is 14 St Mary's Street, Stamford, Lincolnshire, PE9 2DF.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "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)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements 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 the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Designated funds comprise funds which have been set aside at the discretion of the trustees for specific purposes. The purposes and uses of the designated funds are set out in the notes to the accounts.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid is recognised once the claim has been made.

1.5 Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis.

1 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand and deposits held with banks.

1.7 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets and liabilities

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.8 Employee benefits

The costs of short-term employee costs are recognised as a liability and an expense.

1.9 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3 Donations

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£
Donations and grants	93,525	97,728	191,253	157,713
For the year ended 30 September 2023	74,013	83,700		157,713

4 Interest receivable

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Interest receivable	1,335	754

5 Charitable activities

	2024 £	2023 £
Staff costs	126,832	101,383
Project and community support costs	37,683	18,289
Rent and utilities	4,650	2,953
Office costs	2,113	11,041
Destitute asylum seekers	3,150	4,337
IT costs	-	675
Staff training	-	523
	174,428	139,201
Share of governance costs (see note 6)	4,950	5,413
	179,378	144,614
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	83,062	82,623
Restricted funds	96,316	61,991
	179,378	144,614

6 Governance costs

	Governance costs	2024	2023	Basis of allocation
	£	£	£	
Audit, accountancy and payroll fees	4,853	4,853	5,363	100% Charitable activities
Bank charges and interest	97	97	50	100% Charitable activities
	4,950	4,950	5,413	
Analysed between				
Charitable activities	4,950	4,950	5,413	

Governance costs includes payments to the auditors of £3,153 (2023 - £2,814) for audit fees and £700 (2023 - £1,299) for other services.

7 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration, benefits or expenses from the charity during the year.

8 Employees

Number of employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2024 Number	2023 Number
Management and fundraising	4	4

Employment costs	2024 £	2023 £
Wages and salaries	117,916	95,776
Social security costs	6,251	3,376
Other pension costs	2,665	2,231
	126,832	101,383

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was £60,000 or more.

The key management personnel of the charity which represents two members of staff whose employee benefits totalled £89,933 (2023: £81,019).

9 Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

10 Financial instruments

	2024	2023
	£	£
Carrying amount of financial assets		
Debt instruments measured at amortised cost	1,873	1,973
Carrying amount of financial liabilities		
Measured at amortised cost	3,863	4,461

11 Debtors

	2024	2023
Amounts falling due within one year:	£	£
Other debtors	1,873	1,973

12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other taxation and social security	2,563	1,827
Other creditors	3,863	4,461
	6,426	6,288

13 Retirement benefit schemes

Defined contribution schemes

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund.

The charge to profit or loss in respect of defined contribution schemes was £2,665 (2023 - £2,231).

14 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

		Movement in funds			Movement in funds		
	Balance at 1 October 2022	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 1 October 2023	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 30 September 2024
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Cyril Taylor Charitable Foundation	20,058	45,000	(42,273)	22,785	60,000	(60,159)	22,626
National Lottery Community Fund	-	38,700	(19,718)	18,982	37,728	(36,157)	20,553
	20,058	83,700	(61,991)	41,767	97,728	(96,316)	43,179

Cyril Taylor Charitable Foundation - this is a grant to be used to increase our reach and capacity as necessary to help with the ever increasing caseloads the charitable company is facing.

National Lottery Community Fund - this is a grant aimed at helping us to recruit and onboard a new staff member to increase our reach and capacity, and ability to support all those who approach us, reducing waiting list times.

15 Designated funds

The income funds of the charity include the following designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes:

	Movement in funds					Movement in funds			
	Balance at 1 October 2022	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	Balance at 1 October 2023	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	Balance at 30 September 2024
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Destitute asylum seekers fund	2,892	-	(4,337)	4,000	2,555	-	(3,150)	4,000	3,405
Free reserve	102,109	74,766	(76,380)	(3,905)	96,590	94,860	(79,912)	(4,000)	107,538
Travel fund	2,000	-	(1,905)	(95)	-	-	-	-	-
	107,001	74,766	(82,622)	-	99,145	94,860	(83,062)	-	110,943

The destitute asylum seekers fund was set up during 2012 to set aside £2,000 per annum, reduced to £1,000 per annum in 2016, for providing destitute asylum seekers with small sums of money to allow them to purchase essentials such as food, phone credit and bus passes. This was increased to £4,000 in 2022.

The travel fund was set up in 2021 to ensure that funding previously received for travel expenses is used for this purpose. £2,000 was received from a trustee in 2020 for management to travel to Sudan but was not utilised due to the Covid-19 pandemic and associated travel restrictions. This was utilised in 2023 for a trip to Geneva and Paris.

16 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2024	Restricted funds 2024	Total 2024	Unrestricted funds 2023	Restricted funds 2023	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund balances at 30 September 2024 are represented by:						
Current assets/(liabilities)	110,944	43,178	154,122	99,145	41,767	140,912
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17 Related party transactions

During the year the charitable company received donations of £50,000 (2023: £50,000) from The Tinsley Charitable Trust, a charity of which Mrs R C Tinsley is a trustee.

During the year the charitable company received donations totalling £1,500 (2023: £1,500) from certain trustees, former trustees and their spouses.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2023.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "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
The charity's objects are the advancement of the education of the public about war and peace, human rights, the environment and democracy and to research issues of public policy in relation to war and peace, human rights, the environment and democracy (and publish the results of such research).

Mission
To support Sudanese asylum-seekers and refugees to build meaningful lives in the UK.

Vision
A Sudanese-British community leading fulfilling lives, and contributing to local and national life in UK, while working for an inclusive, diverse, and peaceful Sudan.

Strategic aims
- To provide a range of responsive, quality services to support Sudanese refugees to build meaningful lives in UK.
- To increase awareness of the needs of Sudanese refugees and to influence local, national, and international policy and service development in relation to Sudan.
- To develop a strong and sustainable organisation so that it may achieve its strategic aims.

Our USP
We occupy a unique position as a service provider for the Sudanese diaspora and a trusted 'critical friend' to a wide range of individuals and organisations operating in the Sudan policy and practice landscape. We act as a 'hub' for: advice and information, provision of support to Sudanese diaspora; in-depth, non-partisan cultural and political insight and understanding; expert opinion; developing links and facilitating dialogue.

Values
Trust - We've built trust by standing and working with, not abandoning, Sudan and its people.
Empowerment - Power with. We support and encourage each individual to fulfil their potential.
Neutrality - While we are committed to fighting for universal human rights, we believe there are Sudanese solutions to Sudanese challenges.
Transparency - We are deeply committed to working collaboratively with individuals and organisations, seeking feedback and consultation wherever possible.
Compassion - We are guided by love and held by boundaries. We seek to do all that is possible, and sometimes more, whilst knowing our limits.

Wider context
Our last reporting year started with the 25 October 2021 coup by military and Islamist forces which at that stage we said threatened "to overwhelm those voices who still aim at a peaceful transfer of power to civilian and democratic bodies and parties". This reporting year has been marked by the sad realisation of this fear. On 15 April 2023, war broke out between Sudanese Armed Forces (SAF) and the Rapid Support Forces (RSF), and in the months since the capital city Khartoum has been destroyed, there has been a brutal return to patterns of genocidal violence against black African groups in Darfur, as well as military confrontation between SAF and the holdout Sudan People's Liberation Movement-North (SPLM-N) in the south. Sudan now has the highest number of displaced individuals globally: over 4.5 million people have become internally displaced, and more than a million people have crossed borders to seek safety, to Egypt, Chad, Ethiopia, or other neighbouring countries. A small proportion made their way to the UK on government-provided evacuation flights in the immediate aftermath of war, when for a brief moment Sudan hit the national and international front pages. But for many, especially those unable to flee, the situation is characterised by a media and information black-out, hunger, deprivation, looting, rape and sexual violence, targeted persecution, mass atrocity crimes including those targeting specific ethnic and racial groups, and yet also somehow still in the midst of it, amazing tales of collective resistance and mutual aid.

The impact on those we work with in the UK has been profound. For many, it has exacerbated already poor mental health states, especially for those whose asylum cases have been delayed, and who are living in what they have described as the prison-like settings of hotel accommodation. Many pointed out the injustice of how Sudanese new arrivals were treated as compared to those fleeing Ukraine or Afghanistan, and called their treatment racist.

Attitudes towards immigration have hardened even further in the UK, with the passage of the 'Illegal Migration Act', attempts to move refugees onto a legionella-filled floating prison, the reduction of the 28-day 'move-on' period following receipt of status to a punishing 7-days minimum, and rising far-right threat. There were some positives though, as the Home Office's plan to remove individuals to Rwanda was defeated in the Court of Appeal, though a Supreme Court decision is pending. Facing huge public pressure, the Home Office has started to try to address its waiting list backlog, including by adding Sudan to the list of countries whose cases can be dealt with by 'streamlined asylum processing' questionnaires, and some of our beneficiaries have had grants of status. However, we are hearing of increased grants of humanitarian protection as opposed to refugee status, which conveys fewer protections, and which may deny the Refugee Convention reasons people have had, and continue to have, in fleeing Sudan. Our casework has continued to become more complex while navigating rapidly changing Home Office policy and practice, poor legal aid provision, as well as supporting a whole new cohort of recent arrivals via evacuation flights.

The trustees of the charity have given due regard and adhere to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Achievements and performance

Aim 1: To provide a range of responsive, quality services to support Sudanese refugees to build meaningful lives in UK

- Our casework over this reporting year was lent increased capacity after we recruited for individuals to fill the role of Welcome & Wellbeing Support Coordinators (discussed further below), filling some of the gap left by Dalya Saadabi, who had formerly interpreted for us, but who paused her regular engagement in November 2022 in favour of occasional *ad hoc* support. Some notable casework wins include:

    - Supporting a long-time contact and volunteer on her release from hospital, and then later supporting this same woman after she got stuck in Khartoum's twin city Omdurman following the outbreak of war. She is now back in the UK and is a driving force in our 'peace by piece' project, discussed further below.
    - Re-energising old contacts to secure their input to our Sudan new arrivals volunteer group WhatsApp group, which connects dozens of individuals supporting Sudanese nationals in the UK, drawn from the Sudanese, British, and wider communities. We offered this group dedicated self- and community care training in February 2023, discussed further below, and which had been identified as a training need during independent feedback interviews with participants.
    - Sharing information and answering 'FAQs' in the immediate aftermath of the outbreak of war, whether on family reunion (biometrics, journey planning etc.), what to do about lost ID documents, the status of evacuation flights, integration and resettlement support options, grants, and so on.
    - Connecting an isolated woman to education and befriending opportunities, as well as providing a winter jacket, backpack, a donated mobile phone, asylum grants and invitations to join safe spaces we convene
    - Supporting a young and unaccompanied beneficiary who had been charged and sentenced with steering a so-called 'small boat' to the UK, via regular emotional support including through critical mental health crises, preparing support letters, connecting to ESOL classes and youth clubs, and facilitating his journey to London to undertake independent travel on the train, visit key landmarks, and try his first ever ice cream, among other firsts, as well as chat through his difficulties in a kind and supportive manner. Such work requires careful safeguarding considerations.
    - Meeting a young client to take him around London, as he described being otherwise entirely isolated in a hotel in Luton, where he had been for 7 months without anything to do. After the visit, this client said: "I spent a beautiful day with you. Your closeness is better than years ago."

- Supporting a woman who is in the UK alone, but has 3 children who are stuck in the fighting in Sudan given the current military crisis, even giving advice to her when her 16-year-old son fled to Egypt alone and unaccompanied when war brought out. We had previously also provided this client with money to attend college, and a winter jacket.
- Helped a refugee group visit to the Serpentine Gallery (London) exhibition of Sudanese artist Kamala Ibrahim Ishag in December 2022 (1).
- We distributed hardship grants from a dedicated section of our accounts, and increased the size of this pot this year. Monies went towards beneficiaries' core needs, as well as for items that they identified as helping them live their version of a meaningful life, for instance travel costs for college and other course attendance, clothing etc.
- Encouraged a woman, who was otherwise isolated with her disabled non-verbal 7-year-old child, to receive carer support and engage in community initiatives like the London women's group, discussed further below, including by supporting her to travel independently with her son given his special needs.
- Continued to distribute free 6-month data SIMs received by applying to Vodafone's charities.connected scheme, aiding digital inclusion.
- Drafted a letter of support including country of origin information for a beneficiary who had had his asylum claim rejected, leading to a grant of refugee status. We also fed in to lawyer and barrister understandings of the situation in Sudan following the April outbreak of war, from scrutinising the Home Office's own information, to looking ahead to produce our own dedicated report in 2024.
- Supported several individuals in the reduced 'move-on' period, including providing advice when individuals were left unsupported by the local council and found themselves street homeless, connecting them to support organisations and offers.
- Providing advice and remaining in regular contact with individuals who travelled to countries bordering Sudan to offer their support following the outbreak of war, for instance to *Adré* in Chad, also helping them promulgate information about their work and the situations they witnessed, to policy-makers such as those within the United Nations Panel of Experts, the media, Parliament (including via dedicated briefings and feeding in to mechanisms like Urgent Questions), those gathering funds, and the wider public, including on our website. (2)
- Connecting clients without other means to the free advice and connections of a Sudanese dental professional.
- Attending London hotels to visit clients and meet, or to take them on trips to local necessities, including via Council connections, such as in Brent.

- Peace by piece: On 12 November 2022, we brought together 21 Sudanese women from across the UK in a London workshop to launch the 'peace by piece' project. On the day, women artistically decorated squares of fabric based on the prompt 'what does it mean to you to be a Sudanese woman?'. Finished pieces were then sewn together into a giant *toub* (the Sudanese traditional dress). Attendees were given craft packs to take back into their communities to replicate the workshop, to engage and support one another, and to help us grow the *toub*. Those that take part in the project are encouraged to engage with a monitored private online community focused on the project via Facebook (3). Squares have since been received from Cardiff, Birmingham, and London, and the *toub* is a growing symbol of unity and peacebuilding. The *toub* has now travelled to various community events to spark conversations about peace in Sudan, from an academic conference hosted by the Society for the Study of the Sudans UK (4), to a Darfuri diaspora meeting focused on unity in Birmingham, to being viewed by His Majesty the King at an event we arranged for him to meet the Sudanese community, discussed further below. We will continue to promote the craft workshops, to gather new pieces, and to consider new ways to use the *toub* to promote conversations about peace in Sudan, for instance via displays in Parliament.

(1) https://twitter.com/WagingPeaceUK/status/1605262078251782144
(2) See https://wagingpeace.info/a-14-day-trip-to-a-refugee-camp-in-eastern-chad-a-report-by-abdelhafiz-musa and https://wagingpeace.info/the-situation-in-adre-by-khadidja-fadoul/
(3) https://www.facebook.com/groups/peacebypiecesudan/
(4) See https://womensliteracysudan.blog/2023/09/26/peace-by-piece/

- We prepared and held mental health training on 'Caring for Ourselves and Our Community' on Saturday 25 February 2023 (5), which was attended by 12 individuals, drawing from the refugee support sector, but also by those from asylum-seeking backgrounds themselves. We co-produced, and jointly facilitated the training, with a Sudanese gentleman with qualifications in vicarious trauma as a form of workplace stressor. We had previously supported this man, and his wider family, to attend a dedicated course about event facilitation in summer 2022. We also held a follow-up session the evening of 1 March 2023 which showed the value participants had found in the training workshop, including around recognising signs of vicarious trauma in themselves, and establishing boundaried working and support practices.

- We worked with a woman (who is also performing work experience with us, discussed below), to restart the London women's group, paused during the pandemic. She sourced a new venue, and the group has now held several meetings, providing a valuable chance for women to meet, especially during these dark days for Sudan. We helped this woman leader engage in training on domestic violence law on 29 June 2023 alongside our new Welcome & Wellbeing Support Coordinator.

- We contributed to supportive practices of other groups and organisations, for instance we:
  - Supported a newer coalition association of Darfuri community groups to come together around a joint trip to the International Criminal Court (ICC) in August 2023, and helped build their capacity with events and trainings, including one on governance and leadership offered by our own Archive & Documentation Lead Bushra Rahama (discussed further below) planned for October 2023;
  - Are helping the Sudanese Legal Network to prepare a cultural festival event showcasing Sudanese talent in October 2023 named 'Sudani Soul', ensuring representation from those from refugee backgrounds and more marginalised areas of Sudan; (6)
  - Attended Sudanese-led events such as those held by the Sudan's Doctors for Human Rights, the Sudan's Women in the Diaspora for Ending the War, the Sudanese Lawyers and Legal Practitioners' Association, and an information-sharing event around Refugee Week hosted by a Sudanese woman;
  - Gave support to community groups such as those in Glasgow, Cardiff, and Brighton & Hove, as well as for tribal groups like the Massaleit community, being on hand to answer questions and offer training on, for instance, fundraising and donation platforms;
  - Supported 3 individuals to receive leadership peer support with ellaForums. (7)

(5) https://caringforourselvescommunity.eventbrite.co.uk/
(6) https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sudani-soul-a-cultural-celebration-fundraiser-tickets-727637381997
(7) https://ella-forums.org/

Aim 2: To increase awareness of the needs of Sudanese refugees and to influence local and national policy and service development in relation to Sudan

- In late 2022, and before the outbreak of the April 2023 war, we had identified that 2023's campaigning priority should be 'Darfur20', to mark the 20th anniversary of the internationally recognised 2003 start of the Darfur genocide, and of violence across Sudan. We started the year by consulting our trustees, sending out a concept note widely, and hosting 2 community consultation meetings, the first on 12 January 2023 held online and attended by 25 Sudanese nationwide community groups and individuals, and the 2nd in-person on 28 January 2023 attended by approximately 15 people, and also by the UK All-Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) on Sudan and South Sudan's then new secretariat. This led to creative ideas for engagement, from designing a dedicated logo; re-energising a dormant 'Darfur10' Facebook page to become a 'Darfur20' page; (8) revitalising WhatsApp groups used to share and network around peace-making; to preparing both written and oral evidence for the APPG inquiry on the situation in Darfur, and supporting around its launch in late April 2023 by coordinating for Sudanese voices to attend, to deliver speeches, sing, and even read poetry (9). The outbreak of war in April 2023, and in particular the renewed devastating scale of destruction of black African groups in Darfur, both gave our 'Darfur20' campaign urgency, but also meant we needed to broaden its scope to remain inclusive. We delicately balanced the need to bring special attention to atrocity crimes in Sudan's periphery areas, with the need to speak about the drivers of violence which held true across the country, including in the centre.

  We worked particularly hard to ensure that violence in West Darfur and elsewhere in the region was drawn to the attention of policy-makers and shapers, from United Nations structures like the Human Rights Council and its mandate-holders, as well as the Panel of Experts; to Parliamentarians including APPG chair and former Africa Minister Vicky Ford MP and Shadow Africa Minister Lyn Brown; to the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO); United States State Department; and media representatives (key media is listed below). We collaborated on various events tied to 'Darfur20', including those hosted by United States colleagues such as the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum; as well the Overseas Development Institute via a dedicated event and journal launch; (10) Genocide80Twenty; the Wiener Holocaust Library (which holds the children's drawings from Darfur and the Nuba Mountains, discussed further below); Haringey Welcome; and the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust (HMDT).

- On 15 March 2023, we arranged a visit for HM the King to the Sudanese community at Abrar House on Edgware Road alongside HMDT. The visit was prompted by client Amouna Adam asking the King to visit during an earlier Holocaust Memorial Day engagement in early 2023. The event itself took plenty of preparation done in almost total secrecy: from lining up certain community members to prepare *zelabiyeh* (doughnuts), and gifts for His Majesty; venue recces alongside the Palace team to check security; consulting on a media strategy; ongoing support to Amouna as the event's 'host'; managing a team of volunteers; booking all guests' travel; physically decorating the venue; organising catering; and liaising with officials in the FCDO. All while on a tube strike day. The King notably ended his visit by saying, "I'm so glad you're safe here, we just have to make it safer one day". These comments, which fell during the week of the announcement of the 'Illegal Migration Bill', were media-worthy, and covered in BBC News (11), the Mail (12), Independent (13), and Express. (14)

(8) https://www.facebook.com/Darfur20TwoDecadesOfDarfur/
(9) Since published at https://www.davidalton.net/2023/04/25/genocide-all-over-again-in-darfurinquiry-into-violence-in-darfur-since-2020-by-the-all-party-parliamentary-group-on-sudan-and-south-sudan/ We also worked to ensure good representation of Sudanese views in a 23 February House of Commons debate on 'human rights and religious minorities in Sudan', for instance arranging for Shadow Africa Minister Lyn Brown to speak to a dissident Christian now living in the UK.
(10) https://odi.org/en/events/remembering-darfur-marking-20-years-of-unending-conflict/
(11) https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-london-64971140
(12) https://www.dailymail.co.uk/femail/article-11863969/amp/King-Charles-visits-members-Sudanese-community.html
(13) https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/charles-nhs-darfur-kids-europe-b2301651.html
(14) https://www.express.co.uk/news/royal/1746750/king-charles-video-sudan-darfur-conflict-anniversary

- On 18 June 2023, and timed around both Father's Day and Refugee Week, we held a community picnic jointly with Haringey Welcome, to commemorate a man named Sharif Barko. Originally from Darfur, Sharif had established his life in the UK after fleeing violence in Sudan, and then sadly died in more recent attacks in El Geneina on a visit back to the country. (15) By marking the establishment of a bench with a plaque naming Sharif, we also used the event to mark horrific renewed violence in Darfur, and to bring the Massaleit tribal community, as well as wider Sudanese and British communities, to heal and grieve together. It was a moving occasion, and one in which the hundred or so attendees shared food, community, tears, and togetherness. Local MP Catherine West visited the bench on a separate arranged occasion to pay her respects.

- Drawings: Our long-time *pro bono* designer Carrie Braes is helping us develop a book featuring the children's drawings, whose release will be in December 2023. This is a massive undertaking, requiring careful selection of a sample of images, their thematic grouping, and liaising with many of those who have been involved in the drawings' journey over the years. In July 2023, we travelled to Geneva to visit an exhibition including the drawings, *Déflagrations,* at the International Museum of the Reformation, and on which we collaborated closely with the curator.

- Our trip to Geneva was also timed to coincide with the 53rd session of the Human Rights Council so we could shadow Christian Solidarity Worldwide (CSW; who have ECOSOC status) in their United Nations advocacy work, having partnered with the organisation before, for instance on a submission to the Universal Periodic Review on Sudan last year. While in the city, we met with the delegations of various member states, including the United Kingdom and Germany, handing them a dedicated unbranded briefing prepared by us and partners of the UK-Sudan advocacy working group. We also held a side event alongside CSW, the Global Centre on the Responsibility to Protect, and the African Centre for Democracy and Human Rights Studies about the toll on civilians in Sudan, which was well-attended by those involved in relevant resolutions and the work of mandate-holders on Sudan. We travelled back to the United Kingdom via Paris, meeting with long-time contacts there.

- Media:
  - We lent into the background and expertise of our founder and president Rebecca Tinsley to respond to the barrage of media requests that occurred at the time of the April 2023 outbreak of war. We worked to source beneficiaries who were particularly keen to use their voice during this period and to connect them to interested journalists and public and private advocacy opportunities. We did this in a way which recognised the potential for such work to re-traumatise and take an emotional toll, and by also providing one-to-one media trainings, and providing summarised talking points where requested. This led to some key national and international media pieces, which you can find on our website 'Media' page, from, among others: The Guardian, The Independent, and The Economist. (16)
  - We drew from our network to source monthly blogs and contributions, mostly tied to the 'Darfur20' theme, including from the former spokesperson for the UN peacekeeping mission in Darfur, Aicha Elbasri, Lord Alton of Liverpool, and long-time Darfur researcher and activist Eric Reeves, as well as pseudonymised posts from our beneficiary network, such as a Mother's Day blog featuring a conversation between a mother in Darfur and her daughter in the UK, or reports from those who had visited the refugee camp in Adré, Chad, home to those fleeing the situation in Darfur. (17)
  - We amplified Sudanese voices in our social media, also adding an Instagram profile to our platform list, which also includes X (Twitter), Facebook, and LinkedIn.

(16) See https://wagingpeace.info/media/
(17) See https://wagingpeace.info/our-news/

- We remained deeply engaged in Holocaust Memorial Day (HMD) activities:
  - Largely due to our concept note and advocacy around 'Darfur20', Darfur was the only subsequent genocide given prominence in HMDT activities including the London ceremony on 25 January 2023 including via a video of our contact Amouna Adam and Dr Martin Stern MBE, which was also televised nationally. (18) Amouna met the King and Queen Consort on 27 January 2023, which is what directly led to his 15 March 2023 visit to the Sudanese community.
  - As in other years, we supported a ceremonial candle-lighter to attend the in-person ceremony; supported individuals to speak at opportunities such as in Speaker's House, in Parliament, and also in Portsmouth; and also engaged in nationwide Council events ourselves, such as with Stockport Borough Council and Ards and North Down Borough Council. Our engagement was led by a strong ethical stance on survivor relations, and we promoted debates around this, and of fair pay for speaker work, including in HMDT Partnership Group meetings.
  - We had supported young Sudanese refugee artists to engage with a portrait competition named [Extra] Ordinary Portraits. (19) One of the young men we put forward, whom we had previously supported to receive a week's free fine art course, entered a self-portrait named competition judge and MP Tulip Siddiq's favourite. He attended the Parliamentary portrait launch on 9 January 2023, and we also supported him to remain engaged with the Royal Drawing School which had helped host events relating to the competition.

- We successfully transferred chairing responsibilities of the UK-Sudan advocacy working group to a Sudanese woman as volunteer chair responsible for 4 quarterly internal meetings throughout 2023. This involved in-house training, and provision of a dedicated email address with server permissions as well as digital hardware including a laptop. In this reporting year she has successfully chaired 3 meetings so far. We continued to receive invitations to input by the South Sudan working group, the US working group on Sudan, Crisis Action, and the German Horn of Africa working group. Outwith the context of the UK-Sudan advocacy working group, we also continued to act as a hub for the Sudan policy and practice community including through bilateral collaboration with groups like Amnesty, the National Endowment for Democracy, Crisis Group, REDRESS, C4ADS, Meta, and the work of the ICC, including to the ICC's Office of the Prosecutor's Special Advisor Amal Clooney.

- We continued to engage on policy matters jointly with partners in the Atrocity Prevention Working Group, including in meetings with the Sudan team within the FCDO, including this Department's new Mass Atrocity Prevention Hub where it seems Sudan may be a test case of their newly developed work streams and projects. Following the outbreak of war in April, we helped prepare a letter for sign-ons among the wider partner network, which called out the FCDO's failure to predict, prevent, and respond to the risks of mass atrocity crimes, both historically and in the current context. (20) The letter's release was timed to coincide with a Foreign Affairs Committee (FAC) oral evidence session on 20 June 2023, during which both our Co-Executive Director and Archive & Documentation Lead gave in-person evidence alongside Atrocity Prevention Working Group chair, which was covered prominently in the media. (21) We also worked to ensure the FAC heard from other key stakeholders, both in this evidence session, in following engagement, as well as by circulating a survey to understand evacuee experiences. The International Development Committee also held evidence sessions on Sudan during this period. We also inputted to other committee work, for instance helping individuals prepare a submission to Parliament's Joint Committee on Human Rights detailing that the UK abuses the human rights of asylum-seekers and refugees, and that the policies and procedures of the Home Office and other government departments might meet the threshold of a crime against humanity against these groups.

(18) https://www.hmd.org.uk/resource/the-testimony-of-dr-martin-stern-mbe-and-amouna-adam/
(19) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m1rzox3Zg10&feature=youtu.be
(20) Accessible at protectionapproaches.org
(21) See https://www.theguardian.com/world/2023/jun/20/foreign-office-accused-of-ignoring-sudan-atrocity-warnings?CMP=Share_iOSApp_Other & https://www.mirror.co.uk/news/politics/uk-ignored-sudan-warnings-mps-30281794?int_source=amp_continue_reading&int_medium=amp&int_campaign=continue_reading_buttonError in formula ->#amp<--readmore-target

- We continued to engage the wider refugee sector, including via member networks like Detention Forum by attending sub-group meetings such as on 'building new allies', as well as larger quarterly meetings; the Asylum Matters network by feeding back on trustee recruitment processes and receiving feedback on job titles; Right to Remain by attending their 'asylum toolkit' festival on 16 May 2023; the Refugee Tales by signposting beneficiaries for needed volunteers during their annual walk; and the Association of Visitors to Immigration Detainees by attending member calls, staying engaged on emails, and attending their annual conference which was for the first time held in-person following COVID-19 lockdowns, including alongside 2 members of our volunteer network. We continued to add our voice to sector calls for policy reform, for instance attending protest actions hosted by Together With Refugees, and signing prominent joint letters and initiatives. We particularly led on calls to consider hotel accommodation a form of quasi-detention, for instance supporting photographer Greg Constantine to add stories of those who felt trapped in hotels to a magazine publication focused on UK detention settings named Seven Doors. (22)

- We continued to engage the PSYCHEdelight theatre production company in various forms, from supporting around a production timed with Refugee Week, connecting the company to those in our beneficiary group with creative leanings, and arranging a group trip to see the play on 20 June 2023; to helping them plan ahead for a UK nationwide tour they are planning for Sudan-focused play Mohand & Peter. (23) We enabled one beneficiary to attend the company's dedicated retreat and training in France in July-August 2023, and Co-Executive Directors also attended a separate training focused on trauma, burn-out, and art/theatre therapy techniques in September 2023.

- We held a Zoom meeting with those we had originally met in Yida refugee camp in South Sudan back in 2018, seeing some familiar faces, and some new. The meeting was facilitated by the Green Kordofan charity whose founder we have supported in various capacities, including this year through attendance at events like screenings of activist films like 'Spider-Man of Sudan' by filmmaker Phil Cox, which often had fundraising aims.

Aim 3: To develop a strong and sustainable organisation so that it may achieve its strategic aims

- We grew our team in this reporting year, largely due to the receipt of dedicated funding grants for this purpose, including for associated costs like greater office space to allow hybrid working, and digital hardware like laptops and phones. Although our former interpreter volunteer Dalya Saadabi stepped back from providing more than *ad hoc* support in November 2022, we took on Bushra Rahama, as part-time Archive & Documentation Lead in this period. Bushra has led on work to properly archive our children's drawings collection from both Darfur and the Nuba Mountains, for instance ensuring we had both an English and an Arabic blurb describing each drawing, and a description of the crimes contained within, in a master spreadsheet. More recently, he has liaised with Darfuri community groups including to provide training on leadership and governance which we will deliver in October 2023. Bushra is the director of his own charity, HUDO Centre, and together with the Centre we co-hosted an event on 10 December 2022 to launch an app that for the first time translates the Universal Declaration of Human Rights into Sudanese languages, and which you can download on Apple and other app providers. (24) We are now exploring how to capitalise on Bushra's work with the drawings for a dedicated book project, discussed above.

(22) https://www.7doors.org/unitedkingdom
(23) https://www.psychedelight.org/mohand-peter
(24) See https://apps.apple.com/gb/app/hudo-centre/id6444025374

- In response to increased casework need, we also recruited for the role of Welcome & Wellbeing Support Coordinator in 2023, initially taking on 2 individuals to fulfil this role. One new joiner, Shahd Ahmed, has now worked with us from April 2023 onwards. The recruitment process was lengthy, and every effort was made to ensure we equitably welcomed applications from those with lived and learned experience of the immigration system in particular, including by offering information sessions, careful design of the job description alongside a consultant, Ann Sanders, and by engaging sector colleagues at the Experts by Experience Employment Initiative, as well as offering individual feedback to all applicants not invited for interview, or rejected at interview stage. (25) Shahd was a clear front-runner, and once appointed, engaged in a 3-week induction process to allow time to bed in, and is now nearing the end of her structured and supported probation period, during which time we have held fortnightly one-on-one sessions. We worked both with volunteers and an employment law firm who supported us *pro bono*, to refresh our contracts, and relevant employee handbook and human resources policies and practices. Consultant Ann Sanders supported us more broadly by engaging in strategic sessions to prepare a SWOT, determine our organogram, and consider staff management processes.

- This is the first year in which we prepared our accounts using book-keeping software Xero and Dext. Transitioning from manual accounts involved staff training, continuing oversight from Robert Woodfield and trustees, and also the support and training – often on a weekly basis – of a work experience candidate and close Sudanese contact (who also runs the London women's group), who attended the office at times weekly to provide a watchful eye on the books.

- We consolidated our move to becoming a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) on 2 February 2023.

- Fundraising was very successful this year, including from those funders keen to give money towards increasing our staffing and capacity, in recognition of the lengthening waiting lists for our support, and most notably from The National Lottery Community Fund, and The Cyril Taylor Charitable Foundation. We are engaged in a process of sustainable growth to meet these needs. We maintain reserves which reflect at least 3 months' expenditure, which we increase commensurate to the increased costs we now have as an employer.

- We continued to engage Caspar Kennerdale as our IT support and network administrator, and formalised his responsibilities with him, including website back-end redesign in January 2023, and confirmation of his ongoing work. We took some IT tasks, like using design software Canva, and preparing newsletters on Mailchimp, in-house.

- While projects and their delivery necessarily remain flexible to respond to the increasingly volatile national and global context, our strategic aims and values have remained the same throughout 2022-2023 and we in fact have engaged in 6, 8, and 12-month strategic forward planning, which takes us into 2025. We remain committed to ensuring our clients are supported to build or re-build meaningful lives, and can influence national and international policy and practice, and do so in trust, with neutrality, transparency, in the spirit of empowerment, and with deep compassion. In the next reporting year, it is worth noting that we will mark the 20th anniversary of our organisational existence.

- New trustees Amna Abdallah and Mahgoub Tawer Kafi were registered with the Charity Commission on 22 March 2023 and added to our website – see the Our Team website page. They are both Sudanese and bring with them a wealth of knowledge about the experiences of Sudanese and other migrant communities. Existing trustees welcomed them and offered support with onboarding. The Board is now planning ahead for strategy discussions in November 2023.

- Staff at all times prioritised their mental health and remained aware of the risks of burn-out and vicarious trauma. Well-being is promoted by social events like an in-person winter party in December 2022 as well as online team gathering; a dedicated Staff Well-Being Day on 27 September 2023; and even things like a summer softball season alongside sector colleagues. Staff ongoingly benefit from peer support models where these are identified as useful. More generally, our commitment to genuinely foregrounding staff mental health and well-being flows through all our engagements, and is a key governance area on which we advise Sudanese-led and refugee sector organisations.

(25) https://www.ebeemployment.org.uk/

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

Financial review

The charity's principal sources of income are donations from individuals and other charitable organisations. In addition to monetary donations Waging Peace relies on a significant amount of volunteers time in order to achieve the objectives described in this Report.

Following the opening up of society after the COVID-19 pandemic, Waging Peace has spent significant amounts on its project, community events, training, and support costs as can be seen in the notes to the financial statements. We will continue to do so provided circumstances allow.

Reserves policy

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to approximately three month's expenditure. The trustees considers that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year.

Structure, governance and management

Waging Peace is registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) with the Charity Commission (registered charity no. 1124746). Its governing document is the Foundation Conversion dated 27 January 2023. The charity was previously constituted as a charitable company having been registered with the Charity Commission on 30 June 2008.

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

T Hossain
R Cockett
Dame R M Marsden
R Tinsley
V Harding-Mbogo
S Hawkins
M Kafi (Appointed 9 March 2023)
A Abdallah (Appointed 9 March 2023)

New trustees are appointed as required and receive a comprehensive induction on the activities of the charity.

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

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R Tinsley
Trustee
Dated: 22.12.23

WAGING PEACE

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that year.

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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;

- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and

- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping sufficient accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

WAGING PEACE

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF WAGING PEACE

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Waging Peace (the 'charity') for the year ended 30 September 2023 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation 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 charity's affairs as at 30 September 2023 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- 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 accounts section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the accounts 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 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 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 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

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the trustees' report; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)
TO THE TRUSTEES OF WAGING PEACE

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the statement of trustees' responsibilities, 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 the trustees 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 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 cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditor under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

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.

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below.

- Enquiry of management and those charged with governance around actual and potential litigation and claims;
- Reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance where available;
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- Performing audit work over the risk of management override of controls, including testing of journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions outside the normal course of business and reviewing accounting estimates for bias.

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 regulation. 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 is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Other matters

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared financial statements 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)" (as amended) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn.

This has been done in order for the financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with current Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

TO THE TRUSTEES OF WAGING PEACE

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. 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 and 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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Price Bailey LLP

Chartered Accountants
Statutory Auditor

36 Tyndall Court
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Price Bailey LLP is eligible for appointment as auditor of the charity by virtue of its eligibility for appointment as auditor of a company under section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

WAGING PEACE

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £
Income from:							
Donations	3	74,013	83,700	157,713	107,053	25,000	132,053
Interest receivable	4	754	-	754	49	-	49
Total income		74,767	83,700	158,467	107,102	25,000	132,102
Expenditure on:							
Charitable activities	5	82,623	61,991	144,614	87,806	15,558	103,364
Net (expenditure)/income for the year/ Net movement in funds		(7,856)	21,709	13,853	19,296	9,442	28,738
Fund balances at 1 October 2022		107,001	20,058	127,059	87,705	10,616	98,321
Fund balances at 30 September 2023		99,145	41,767	140,912	107,001	20,058	127,059

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

WAGING PEACE

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

	Notes	2023 £	£	2022 £	£
Current assets					
Debtors	11	1,973		26,854	
Cash at bank and in hand		145,227		105,712	
		147,200		132,566	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	(6,288)		(5,507)	
Net current assets			140,912		127,059
Income funds					
Restricted funds	14		41,767		20,058
Unrestricted funds					
Designated funds	15	2,555		4,892	
General unrestricted funds		96,590		102,109	
			99,145		107,001
			140,912		127,059

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 22.12.23

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R Tinsley
Trustee

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Waging Peace is a Registered Charity and a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) constituted under a Foundation Conversion dated 27 January 2023. The charity was previously constituted as a Charitable Company having been registered with the Charity Commission on 30 June 2008. The charity's principal address is 14 St Mary's Street, Stamford, Lincolnshire, PE9 2DF.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "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)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements 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 the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Designated funds comprise funds which have been set aside at the discretion of the trustees for specific purposes. The purposes and uses of the designated funds are set out in the notes to the accounts.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid is recognised once the claim has been made.

1.5 Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis.

1 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand and deposits held with banks.

1.7 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets and liabilities

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.8 Employee benefits

The costs of short-term employee costs are recognised as a liability and an expense.

1.9 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3 Donations

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£
Donations and grants	74,013	83,700	157,713	132,053
For the year ended 30 September 2022	107,053	25,000		132,053

4 Interest receivable

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Unrestricted funds 2022 £
Interest receivable	754	49

5 Charitable activities

	2023 £	2022 £
Staff costs	101,383	73,632
Project and community support costs	18,289	15,204
Rent and utilities	2,953	150
Office costs	11,041	3,785
Destitute asylum seekers	4,337	3,016
IT costs	675	3,160
Staff training	523	-
	139,201	98,947
Share of governance costs (see note 6)	5,413	4,417
	144,614	103,364
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	82,623	87,806
Restricted funds	61,991	15,558
	144,614	103,364

6 Governance costs

	Governance costs	2023	2022	Basis of allocation
	£	£	£	
Audit, accountancy and payroll fees	5,363	5,363	4,375	100% Charitable activities
Bank charges and interest	50	50	42	100% Charitable activities
	5,413	5,413	4,417	
Analysed between				
Charitable activities	5,413	5,413	4,417	

Governance costs includes payments to the auditors of £2,814 (2022- £2,994) for audit fees and £1,299 (2022- £381) for other services.

7 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration, benefits or expenses from the charity during the year.

8 Employees

Number of employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2023 Number	2022 Number
Management and fundraising	4	2

Employment costs	2023 £	2022 £
Wages and salaries	95,776	69,126
Social security costs	3,376	2,784
Other pension costs	2,231	1,722
	101,383	73,632

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was £60,000 or more.

9 Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxationof Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

10 Financial instruments

	2023	2022
	£	£
Carrying amount of financial assets		
Debt instruments measured at amortised cost	1,973	26,854
Carrying amount of financial liabilities		
Measured at amortised cost	4,461	4,285

11 Debtors

	2023	2022
Amounts falling due within one year:	£	£
Other debtors	1,973	26,854

12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Other taxation and social security	1,827	1,222
Other creditors	4,461	4,285
	6,288	5,507

13 Retirement benefit schemes

Defined contribution schemes

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund.

The charge to profit or loss in respect of defined contribution schemes was £2,231 (2022 - £1,722).

14 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

	Movement in funds				Movement in funds		
	Balance at 1 October 2021	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 1 October 2022	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 30 September 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Lloyds Bank Foundation - Enable	1,940	-	(1,940)	-	-	-	-
Cyril Taylor Charitable Foundation	8,676	25,000	(13,618)	20,058	45,000	(42,273)	22,785
National Lottery Community Fund	-	-	-	-	38,700	(19,718)	18,982
	10,616	25,000	(15,558)	20,058	83,700	(61,991)	41,767

Lloyds Bank Foundation - Enable is a grant from Lloyds Bank Foundation for England and Wales to be used to improve the website and client relationship management database.

Cyril Taylor Charitable Foundation - this is a grant to be used to increase our reach and capacity as necessary to help with the ever increasing caseloads the charitable company is facing.

National Lottery Community Fund - this is a grant aimed at helping us to recruit and onboard a new staff member to increase our reach and capacity, and ability to support all those who approach us, reducing waiting list times.

15 Designated funds

The income funds of the charity include the following designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes:

		Movement in funds				Movement in funds			
	Balance at 1 October 2021	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	Balance at 1 October 2022	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	Balance at 30 September 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Destitute asylum seekers fund	1,908	-	(3,016)	4,000	2,892	-	(4,337)	4,000	2,555
Free reserve	83,797	107,103	(84,791)	(4,000)	102,109	74,766	(76,380)	(3,905)	96,590
Travel fund	2,000	-	-	-	2,000	-	(1,905)	(95)	-
	87,705	107,103	(87,807)	-	107,001	74,766	(82,622)	-	99,145

The destitute asylum seekers fund was set up during 2012 to set aside £2,000 per annum, reduced to £1,000 per annum in 2016, for providing destitute asylum seekers with small sums of money to allow them to purchase essentials such as food, phone credit and bus passes. This was increased to £4,000 in 2022.

The travel fund was set up in 2021 to ensure that funding previously received for travel expenses is used for this purpose. £2,000 was received from a trustee in 2020 for management to travel to Sudan but was not utilised due to the Covid-19 pandemic and associated travel restrictions. This was utilised in 2023 for a trip to Geneva and Paris.

16 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £
Fund balances at 30 September 2023 are represented by:						
Current assets/(liabilities)	99,145	41,767	140,912	107,001	20,058	127,059
	99,145	41,767	140,912	107,001	20,058	127,059

17 Related party transactions

During the year the charitable company received donations of £50,000 (2022: £50,000) from The Tinsley Charitable Trust, a charity of which Mrs R C Tinsley is a trustee (2022: £25,000 of which was owed to Waging Peace as at the year end).

During the year the charitable company received donations totalling £1,500 (2022: £2,000) from certain trustees, former trustees and their spouses.

WAGING PEACE

England & Wales - Charity number 1124746

Accounts

Charity registration number 1124746

Company registration number 05693101 (England and Wales)

WAGING PEACE (FORMERLY ARTICLE 1 CHARITABLE TRUST)

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

WAGING PEACE (FORMERLY ARTICLE 1 CHARITABLE TRUST)

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	T Hossain R Cockett Dame R M Marsden R Tinsley V Harding-Mbogo S Hawkins
Secretary	R Tinsley
Charity number	1124746
Company number	05693101
Registered office	14 St Mary's Street Stamford Lincolnshire PE9 2DF
Auditor	Stephenson Smart & Co 36 Tyndall Court Commerce Road Lynch Wood Peterborough PE2 6LR
Bankers	Triodos Bank Deanery Road Bristol BS1 5AS
Solicitors	Bates, Wells and Braithwaite 10 Queen Street Place London EC4R 1BE

WAGING PEACE (FORMERLY ARTICLE 1 CHARITABLE TRUST)

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WAGING PEACE (FORMERLY ARTICLE 1 CHARITABLE TRUST)

TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2022.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charitable company's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 and "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
The charitable company's objects are the advancement of the education of the public about war and peace, human rights, the environment and democracy and to research issues of public policy in relation to war and peace, human rights, the environment and democracy (and publish the results of such research).

Mission
To support Sudanese asylum-seekers and refugees to build meaningful lives in the UK.

Vision
A Sudanese-British community leading fulfilling lives, and contributing to local and national life in UK while working for an inclusive, diverse, and peaceful Sudan.

Strategic aims
- To provide a range of responsive, quality services to support Sudanese refugees to build meaningful lives in UK.
- To increase awareness of the needs of Sudanese refugees and to influence local, national, and international policy and service development in relation to Sudan.
- To develop a strong and sustainable organisation so that it may achieve its strategic aims.

Our USP
We occupy a unique position as a service provider for the Sudanese diaspora and a trusted 'critical friend' to a wide range of individuals and organisations operating in the Sudan policy and practice landscape. We act as a 'hub' for: advice and information, provision of support to Sudanese diaspora; in-depth, non-partisan cultural and political insight and understanding; expert opinion; developing links and facilitating dialogue.

Values
Trust - We've built trust by standing and working with, not abandoning, Sudan and its people.
Empowerment - Power with. We support and encourage each individual to fulfil their potential.
Neutrality - While we are committed to fighting for universal human rights, we believe there are Sudanese solutions to Sudanese challenges.
Transparency - We are deeply committed to working collaboratively with individuals and organisations, seeking feedback and consultation wherever possible.
Compassion - We are guided by love and held by boundaries. We seek to do all that is possible, and sometimes more, whilst knowing our limits.

Wider context
Early into this reporting year, Sudan suffered a devastating setback on its path towards democracy, and towards 'freedom, peace, and justice', which were the rallying cries of the 2018-2019 revolution. On 25 October 2021, military and militia leaders staged a coup, and wrested control of the institutions of state from transitional civilian authorities. In the almost year since, coup leaders have violently dispersed those peaceful protestors calling for the return of a civilian-led government, killing hundreds and injuring thousands. There has been a return to large-scale violence in the marginalised areas of Darfur, Blue Nile, and South Kordofan, with massacres and attacks that claim lives and create humanitarian emergencies. The return of military and Islamist forces into the political and civil arena threatens to overwhelm those voices who still aim at a peaceful transfer of power to civilian and democratic bodies and parties. These events severely impact our clients, who are concerned for loved ones back home.

Meanwhile, in the UK, Sudanese individuals continue to journey across the Channel in so-called 'small boats'. They meet an increasingly hostile reception, whether through laws which criminalise them under the Nationality and Borders Act adopted this year, or via their forcible removal to Rwanda. Other frontline organisations report to us that a third of those in the initial cohort slated for removal to Rwanda were Sudanese. This is despite the fact that Sudan remains the 7th highest nationality for those claiming asylum in the UK according to the Home Office's own quarterly immigration statistics covering the year to June 2022. The grant rate for Sudanese asylum applications is 92%. Sudan remains over-represented among those referred into the National Referral Mechanism for trafficking survivors, in respect of their terrible experiences in Libya and beyond. It is clear that Sudanese applicants are broadly recognised by the Home Office, latterly by our courts, and by the wider immigration sector, as having valid reasons for seeking sanctuary in the UK. The demand for our services, and the complexity of need, continues to increase.

The trustees of the charity have given due regard and adhere to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Achievements and performance

Aim 1: To provide a range of responsive, quality services to support Sudanese refugees to build meaningful lives in UK

The picture painted above of increasingly harsh attitudes adopted towards asylum-seekers, of Sudanese nationality or otherwise, continued to impact our work this reporting year. Many of our clients have ended up in immigration removal centres, or else in detention-like settings such as hotels, where there is limited freedom of movement, poor quality food, insufficient access to legal advice, English, college, or other education and training, and in which settings individuals are given insufficient funds to cover all their costs. Often our clients have been in such circumstances for many years, as there are delays from the Home Office in scheduling their substantive interviews. Other clients are dispersed to shared accommodation in unfamiliar towns and cities, awaiting further progress on their cases. In these settings, our clients suffer deteriorating mental health and resulting physical impacts. It is rare for us to encounter a client without persistent low mood, insomnia, and depressive symptoms.

Despite this, we fulfilled our mission of helping clients to build lives in which they find meaning and purpose in the following ways:

- We helped individuals find lawyers, although access to quality legal support is at record lows;
- We sourced donated items, or provided mobile phone credit and even data SIMs, such as those we fundraised for successfully from the Vodafone charities.connected scheme;
- We checked in regularly to provide emotional support, simply being a listening ear for our clients and providing them with a grounded space to discuss their future and next steps;
- We distributed hardship grants from a dedicated section of our accounts, spending on items that either met clients' core needs, or else went towards items that would give clients a feeling of meaning and purpose, for instance on English-language audiobooks, or painting supplies for those otherwise stuck in their rooms;
- We arranged creative play and connection possibilities, for instance enabling a cross-section of Sudanese asylum-seekers living in or near London to attend a play featuring life in Sudan, and exploring homesickness, Mohand & Peter (1), later arranging the same for Sudanese individuals in Brighton. Some were left inspired by the creative process, so we arranged a 'connection' workshop with the responsible PSYCHEdelight production company on 19 May 2022. One man who attended (whose claim for asylum was unfortunately rejected earlier this year, but who has since appealed successfully to the First-Tier Tribunal using our written and oral evidence, discussed further below) said it was the best day he had had since arriving in the UK.

(1)https://www.psychedelight.org/mohand-peter

We have thought creatively of ways to meet the increased demand for our services. This includes the continued part-time engagement of Dalya Saadabi as a part-time caseworker performing Sudanese Arabic-English interpretation for new referral/intake calls and conversations, translation of our key documents into Arabic, as well as her own culturally sensitive casework management.

For the past year we have also performed our work alongside the 'new arrivals volunteer support group', originally formed in September 2020. Today the group includes over 50 individuals, the majority of whom are in the Sudanese community, and whom we helped at earlier stages of their lives in the UK, and who have valuable lived and learned experience of the asylum process and routes to integration in Britain. Our role is group facilitation and casework management. We run a dedicated WhatsApp group in which we inform individuals about changes to immigration policy and practice, self-care, or about the requirements of our newly created safer recruitment policy and other procedures (2). We also provide them with training possibilities, and structured conversations and policies on safeguarding, confidentiality, legal advice boundaries, and mental health first aid.

(2)Accessible at https://wagingpeace.info/our-essentials/ alongside our other policies and procedures, notably on safeguarding, which continues to help us reduce harm and risks of harm using this policy, which is kept under annual review.

We undertook some independent evaluation of the support we have offered to this group in late 2021, which comprised of 7 interviews with key but also randomised group participants. Interviewees identified mental health and self-care as areas of training need. We will be addressing this in early 2023. Over the reporting year, we worked with a gentleman in the Sudanese community with a background in understanding vicarious trauma and burn-out as forms of workplace stressor, to develop a training package on self- and community care. We also enabled him to attend a week-long residential course in France on group facilitation, to build his confidence, and increase the skills and capacities of key leaders within the Sudanese community (3). It was the first time he had gone on an international trip following receipt of his British citizenship.

(3)Read his blog on this experience at https://mailchi.mp/4c07ca93010c/waging-peace-8671764?e=53d145ef28

We also this year prioritised the production of a report featuring country of origin information and research on Sudan. This was because the Home Office was relying on an internally produced 'country policy information note' issued just 4 days prior to the October 2021 coup which falsely claimed Sudan was stable and safe for returns, and which led to asylum-seekers' claims being unduly rejected. Our 23-page report cited credible examples of the continued targeting, harassment, and persecution of black African groups in Sudan, and updated the picture post the October coup (4). It was distributed widely to our network of lawyers and legal practitioners, to other refugee status determining bodies across Europe and even beyond, and it was described by a judge at the First-Tier Tribunal as "powerful and persuasive" in July 2022. We also contributed to other country of origin information reporting produced by other respected research groups (5).

(4)Report can be accessed online at https://wagingpeace.info/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/FINAL-Waging-Peace-country-situation-in-Sudan-report-June-2022.pdf

(5)See https://asylumresearchcentre.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/COI-Report_Khartoum-Omdurman-2022_ARC.pdf

Our work with women took on renewed importance this year, as so many we worked with reported to us instances of domestic violence including financial and immigration coercion, and also a lack of hope given the dire situation facing Sudanese citizens, but particularly women, back home, where a return of Islamist rule threatens hard-fought-for rights. We supported 87 individuals associated with the London's women's group to undertake an integrative and cultural mental wellbeing day to Hampton Court Palace in August 2022.

We are exploring a project focused on women's experiences and empowerment in November 2022, something we have been planning in the tail-end of this reporting year. We aim for the 'peace by piece' project to bring together groups of 4-5 women to artistically decorate a small square of fabric based on the prompt 'what does it mean to you to be a Sudanese person, a Sudanese woman, or a woman?'. Finished squares will be sewn together into a giant *toub*, the piece of fabric Sudanese women and even men traditionally wear wrapped around themselves, as a powerful visible demonstration of the power of Sudanese women. We envision the *toub* to be a living, growing tool for advocacy, including via potential nationwide tours and an event series. We are engaging a Sudanese woman we know well to take the lead on this project, though this is involving confidence-building activities and dedicated trainings to allow her to step into her own power and leadership.

Some notable casework successes from this year include: supporting talented young asylum-seeking artists and arranging opportunities for them to attend courses run by independent fine art studios and the Royal Drawing School; celebrating the successes of more long-standing beneficiaries when they received leave to remain or British citizenship often after lengthy legal battles; listening to a Sudanese woman tell us about her experience of female genital mutilation and her disclosing that it was the first time she had spoken about it in this way; meeting with individuals, including activists and political figures, who were persecuted for their beliefs in Sudan, and supporting them with their claims or with contact with the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office; supporting an increasing number of individuals who find themselves street-homeless after getting leave to remain and fall into gaps during the 'move-on' period; and in a lovely coincidence, re-encountering 2 individuals who, we first met at a legal clinic we arranged alongside Duncan Lewis Solicitors at Garden Court Chambers in October 2018.

Over the past year we have worked alongside and referred or signposted among a network of partner organisations, notably Care4Calais, trusted law firms, social workers, and beyond. We ensured the experiences of Sudanese themselves informed sector-wide policy and campaigning initiatives on issues such as right to work alongside the Lift the Ban coalition; immigration detention reform with the Detention Forum and Association of Visitors to Immigration Detainees; media and communications via the IMIX network; or on the harm caused by 'hotel detention' including via creative photography and testimony-led projects; as well as via ongoing membership of groups like Together With Refugees, Asylum Matters, and the Experts by Experience Employment Initiative. This included our attempts to open up membership of such bodies to groups or organisations run by our client group, for instance the Sudanese Lawyers and Legal Practitioners Association. We ensured Sudanese voices were part of collaborative efforts to push for a fair, timely, and accessible immigration system.

We also help Sudanese individuals to step into their own personal leadership potential. For instance, we paid annual membership fees for 3 key Sudanese individuals in the community to benefit from peer support via the charity CEO training programme ellaForums, as they all run their own organisations. They have all spoken highly of this support, and committed to training for 2022-2023.

Aim 2: To increase awareness of the needs of Sudanese refugees and to influence local and national policy and service development in relation to Sudan

Given the coup in Sudan in October 2021, the past year has involved helping Sudanese individuals and groups to act jointly to emphasise the illegitimacy of the unconstitutional power grab, and to chart a democratic and civilian-led path forward. For instance, we ensured civil society involvement in Human Rights Council emergency sessions, and contributed to advocacy efforts to ensure the Council, and wider United Nations architecture, was appropriately critical of the behavior of Sudan's military and militia groups. This work was informed by the submission we jointly prepared with the HUDO Centre, and under guidance from colleagues at Christian Solidarity Worldwide, into Sudan's Universal Periodic Review process last reporting year (6). This has also included speaking at and helping to organise community events, and being on hand for strategy and planning calls to help build the capacity of Sudanese professional, thematic, city-based, or tribal groups. It has meant promoting media on Sudan, including in international publications like *The Economist(7)*; via well-circulated podcasts drawing attention to why Sudanese individuals continue to seek refuge (8); or via dedicated campaigns, for instance marking 100 days since the military coup (9) or protesting the coup leader's presence at the Queen's state funeral (10). We also continued to promote the idea of Sudanese solutions to Sudanese problems, whether ensuring communities particularly affected by violence had opportunities to speak truth to power, including at dedicated events, for instance timed with Refugee Week in June 2022 (11).

(6)A fact sheet summarising our work is at https://wagingpeace.info/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Universal-Periodic-Review-of-Sudan-3rd-cycle-2021-FINAL-web-high-res.pdf
(7)Media in which we are quoted, or to which we contributed, can be found at https://wagingpeace.info/media/
(8)Listen at https://shows.acast.com/asylum-speakers-podcast-with-jaz-ohara-stories-of-migration/episodes/37-everything-you-need-to-know-about-whats-happening-in-suda
(9)See https://twitter.com/WagingPeaceUK/status/1488437257895919617
(10)See https://twitter.com/WagingPeaceUK/status/1571039195707371521
(11)See https://wienerholocaustlibrary.org/event/panel-discussion-for-refugee-week-2022-what-does-it-mean-to-welcome-refugees/

Over the past year we have worked with several Sudanese individuals with skills in either IT, project management, or human rights documentation, to work with us on a project to digitise, store, and make findable the data within a 60,000-strong signed petition which a Waging Peace researcher collected from refugee Darfuri camps in Chad in 2007 (we were an NGO at the time). All approximately 4,170 documents are now scanned and stored safely and digitally, but efforts to make the data findable is more extensive as it involves individual translation of each signature and testimony, and their addition to a database. We estimate 7% of this project is complete, and the remaining 93% of the work will be an ongoing focus into 2022-2023, and likely beyond. We are also now engaging with a project lead part-time, who is performing similar work relating to the children's drawings of conflict in Darfur, the Nuba Mountains, and even Khartoum. Such work is essential to ensure that these vital resources and testimonies are preserved for posterity, and our dream is that they will one day take a central role in Sudan's own efforts towards evidencing what has happened in the country in the past, and towards transitional justice and accountability in the future, including at the International Criminal Court.

In the meantime, the drawings continue to have impact on the public today, whether among academics studying these events; or via our teacher's resource pack which continues to be used by educators in the UK and in the US (12). In fact, in a survey we conducted of educators this year, results suggest that a third of those surveyed who taught about Darfur over the pandemic period used our resource pack. We are planning ahead for the drawings' appearance at larger exhibitions, for instance a selection will be on display at the International Museum of the Reformation in Geneva in 2023.

(12)Read the pack at https://wagingpeace.info/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/TeachersResourcePack_v8.pdf

We ensured understanding of Darfur among the British public more generally by contributing to the Darfur portions of national Holocaust Memorial Day activities, and for its ceremony in January 2022. This included preparing survivor Jeddah for a filmed conversation with Archbishop Justin Welby, during which she spoke movingly of challenges to integrating in Britain, for instance running when hearing fireworks on her first Guy Fawkes Night in the UK as they reminded her of bombs falling and gunfire (13). Her video was watched by tens of thousands of people throughout the UK, and around the world, including her relatives in Darfur. Following the ceremony, Jeddah's son's school was so impressed by her HMD contribution that she was invited to speak about her experiences to a school assembly. We also contributed to other Holocaust Memorial Day events nationwide, for instance facilitating sensitive conversations between different members of the Sudanese community, including a gentleman who is trying to produce a digital keyboard of his native Beria language (14). We have already contributed to activities planned for the January 2023 ceremony, especially as the coming year will mark 20 years since the beginning of the Darfur genocide, and so Darfur will be a key focus.

(13)Please watch her testimony at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iJghzzMpFjU
(14)See https://www.facebook.com/BeriaInYourHands/

We have continued to build the strength and sustainability of the UK-Sudan advocacy group we convene, now comprising 80+ international NGOs, humanitarian agencies, think tanks, alongside many more individual researchers, who work on or in Sudan. We have consolidated the greater number of European, US, and Sudanese partners in the group given meetings have continued to be online or hybrid. We continue to consider how Sudanese voices can actually lead such efforts, including shadowing us in our chairing capacity. The group continued to host internal information-sharing meetings, as well as meetings with officials, including in the Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office. The strength of our group inspired the formation of a German Horn of Africa working group, in which we stay involved.

Our social media, as on Facebook (15) and Twitter (16), remained regularly updated throughout the year. We also increased our monthly newsletter output, re-engaging longer-term supporters and driving small one-off and repeat donations, including with 'guest blogs' by our clients, trustees, and other long-time Sudan followers.

(15)https://www.facebook.com/WagingPeaceUK
(16)https://twitter.com/WagingPeaceUK

Aim 3: To develop a strong and sustainable organisation so that it may achieve its strategic aims

A major change this year was to our resourcing to increase our reach and capacity, whether through the part-time support of Dalya, as mentioned above, or via part-time and project-specific support provided by others, for instance on our petitions scanning and digitisation project, or on the 'peace by piece' project. During the early summer of 2022 we were also supported by an intern associated with the University of Sheffield. They researched Sudanese attitudes towards Britain both pre- and post-arrival, a report on which will soon be released.

However, we have primarily sought to draw support from the skills and abilities within the Sudanese community itself for project-specific or part-time support, which has included renumerating and resourcing people fairly where they were taking on more structured and time-intensive tasks for us, or engaging in work drawing on their lived experience. By inviting these individuals more meaningfully into our working and engagement model we can ensure that those with first-hand and lived experience are central to impacting change, hopefully also reversing consequences of marginalisation and exclusion.

In addition, we engaged in the process of recruiting two new trustees with lived and learned experience of the immigration system and/or of Sudan, and undertook a recruitment process in summer 2022, though the selected individuals have not yet been appointed. Our hope is that they, and the Board collectively, will ensure we have increased organisational resilience and commitment to meaningful diversity, inclusion, and equity. Victoria Mbogo-Harding continued to be an excellent chair, meeting with staff approximately every 6 weeks, either online or in-person.

We primarily continued home working throughout this reporting year, with occasional visits to donated desk spaces in central London. However, in September 2022 we rented out a desk in a shared office space near Leicester Square, an arrangement that will continue until at least the end of 2022 and likely beyond, as we increasingly need access to confidential spaces for client meetings.

A commitment to understanding and holding space for staff and client mental health and wellbeing is one way in which we feel we uphold our organisational value of compassion. We take this responsibility seriously, and continued to prioritise it even during difficult and emotional times, as well as starting needed conversations among sector colleagues and groups less familiar with this approach. Staff continued to meet at least weekly online to discuss workload and to have personal check-ins. Staff continued to receive support from peer support groups and collaborative learning cohorts. We plan to further consider clinical supervision and wellbeing activities in the next reporting year.

The urgency of work around anti-racism continued to be felt by staff, who continued their occasional evening sessions to discuss the work of anti-racism. This also continued to be a standing Board discussion topic at meetings.

We also continued to benefit from IT support from Caspar Kennerdale. This year this involved coordination around the revamp of our website, especially to include case studies of 'the change we are making' (17).

(17)https://wagingpeace.info/the-change-were-making/

Fundraising was very successful this year, including from those funders keen to give money towards increasing our staffing and capacity, in recognition of the lengthening waiting lists for our support. We are engaged in a process of sustainable growth to meet these needs. We maintain reserves which reflect at least 3 months' expenditure, which we increase commensurate to the increased costs we will face in the coming year.

While projects and their delivery necessarily remain flexible to respond to the increasingly volatile national and global context, our strategic aims and values have remained the same throughout 2021-2022, and we in fact have engaged in regular 6, 8, and 12-month forward planning. We remain committed to ensuring our clients are supported to build or re-build meaningful lives, and can influence national and international policy and practice, and do so in trust, with neutrality, transparency, in the spirit of empowerment, and with deep compassion.

Financial review

The charity's principal sources of income are donations from individuals and other charitable organisations. In addition to monetary donations Waging Peace relies on a significant amount of volunteers time in order to achieve the objectives described in this Report.

Following the opening up of society after the COVID-19 pandemic, Waging Peace has spent significant amounts on its project, community events, training, and support costs as can be seen in the notes to the financial statements. We will continue to do so provided circumstances allow.

Reserves policy

It is the policy of the charitable company that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to approximately three month's expenditure. The trustees considers that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charitable company's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year.

Structure, governance and management

Waging Peace is registered as a company limited by guarantee (without share capital) no. 05693101 and as a registered charity no. 1124746. Its governing instrument is its memorandum and articles of association. The directors are the members of the company and each member, during his or her membership or within one year afterwards, undertakes to contribute a sum not exceeding £1 to the assets of the company in the event of it being wound up.

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

T Hossain
R Cockett
Dame R M Marsden
R Tinsley
V Harding-Mbogo
S Hawkins

New trustees are appointed as required and receive a comprehensive induction on the activities of the charity.

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charitable company is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

Disclosure of information to auditor

Each of the trustees has confirmed that there is no information of which they are aware which is relevant to the audit, but of which the auditor is unaware. They have further confirmed that they have taken appropriate steps to identify such relevant information and to establish that the auditor is aware of such information.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

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R Tinsley
Trustee
Dated: 18.11.22

WAGING PEACE (FORMERLY ARTICLE 1 CHARITABLE TRUST)

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

The trustees, who are also the directors of Waging Peace (formerly Article 1 Charitable Trust) for the purpose of company law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company Law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that year.

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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;

- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and

- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

WAGING PEACE (FORMERLY ARTICLE 1 CHARITABLE TRUST)

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF WAGING PEACE (FORMERLY ARTICLE 1 CHARITABLE TRUST)

Opinion

We have audited the accounts of Waging Peace (formerly Article 1 Charitable Trust) (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 30 September 2022 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, and the notes to the accounts, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation 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 charitable company's affairs as at 30 September 2022 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

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 accounts section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the accounts 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 charitable company'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 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.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of our audit:

- the information given in the trustees' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared, which includes the directors' report prepared for the purposes of company law, is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the directors' report included within the trustees' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Trustees' Report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the trustees' report and from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the statement of trustees' responsibilities, the trustees, who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purpose of company law, 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 the trustees 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 charitable company'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 charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's 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.

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below.

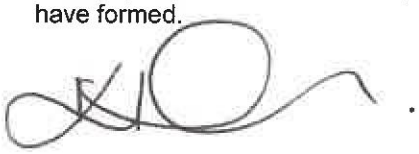
- Enquiry of management and those charged with governance around actual and potential litigation and claims;
- Reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance where available;
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- Performing audit work over the risk of management override of controls, including testing of journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions outside the normal course of business and reviewing accounting estimates for bias.

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 regulation. 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 is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: https://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 charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members 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 charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



Kerry Hilliard ACA FCCA CTA (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of Stephenson Smart & Co

29/11/2022

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WAGING PEACE (FORMERLY ARTICLE 1 CHARITABLE TRUST)

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total 2021 £
Income from:							
Donations	3	107,053	25,000	132,053	118,350	10,000	128,350
Interest receivable	4	49	-	49	37	-	37
Total income		107,102	25,000	132,102	118,387	10,000	128,387
Expenditure on:							
Charitable activities	5	87,806	15,558	103,364	81,536	2,429	83,965
Net income for the year/ Net movement in funds		19,296	9,442	28,738	36,851	7,571	44,422
Fund balances at 1 October 2021		87,705	10,616	98,321	50,854	3,045	53,899
Fund balances at 30 September 2022		107,001	20,058	127,059	87,705	10,616	98,321

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

WAGING PEACE (FORMERLY ARTICLE 1 CHARITABLE TRUST)

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

	Notes	2022 £	£	2021 £	£
Current assets					
Debtors	**10**	26,854		1,831	
Cash at bank and in hand		105,712		100,389	
		132,566		102,220	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	**11**	(5,507)		(3,899)	
Net current assets			127,059		98,321
Income funds					
Restricted funds	**13**		20,058		10,616
Unrestricted funds					
Designated funds	**14**	4,892		3,908	
General unrestricted funds		102,109		83,797	
			107,001		87,705
			127,059		98,321

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 18.11.22

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R Tinsley
Trustee

Company Registration No. 05693101

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Waging Peace (formerly Article 1 Charitable Trust) is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is 14 St Mary's Street, Stamford, Lincolnshire, PE9 2DF.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charitable company's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 and "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)". The charitable company is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charitable company has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charitable company. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charitable company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Designated funds comprise funds which have been set aside at the discretion of the trustees for specific purposes. The purposes and uses of the designated funds are set out in the notes to the accounts.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the charitable company is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charitable company has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid is recognised once the claim has been made.

1.5 Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis.

1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand and deposits held with banks.

1 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

1.7 Financial instruments

The charitable company has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charitable company's balance sheet when the charitable company becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets and liabilities

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.8 Employee benefits

The costs of short-term employee costs are recognised as a liability and an expense.

1.9 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charitable company's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3 Donations

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£
Donations and grants	107,053	25,000	132,053	128,350
For the year ended 30 September 2021	118,350	10,000		128,350

4 Interest receivable

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2022	2021
	£	£
Interest receivable	49	37

5 Charitable activities

	2022	**2021**
	£	**£**
Staff costs	73,632	68,379
Project and community support costs	15,204	1,876
Rent and utilities	150	2,476
Office costs	3,785	4,174
Destitute asylum seekers	3,016	768
IT costs	3,160	1,105
Staff training	-	1,192
	98,947	79,970
Share of governance costs (see note 6)	4,417	3,995
	103,364	83,965
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	87,806	81,536
Restricted funds	15,558	2,429
	103,364	83,965

6 Governance costs

	Governance costs	2022	2021	Basis of allocation
	£	£	£	
Audit, accountancy and payroll fees	4,375	4,375	3,958	100% Charitable activities
Bank charges and interest	42	42	37	100% Charitable activities
	4,417	4,417	3,995	
Analysed between				
Charitable activities	4,417	4,417	3,995	

Governance costs includes payments to the auditors of £2,994 (2021- £2,580) for audit fees and £381 (2021- £378) for other services.

7 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration, benefits or expenses from the charitable company during the year.

8 Employees

Number of employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2022 Number	2021 Number
Management and fundraising	2	2

Employment costs	2022 £	2021 £
Wages and salaries	69,126	65,327
Social security costs	2,784	1,374
Other pension costs	1,722	1,678
	73,632	68,379

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was £60,000 or more.

9	**Financial instruments**	**2022**	**2021**
		£	**£**
	Carrying amount of financial assets		
	Debt instruments measured at amortised cost	26,854	1,831
	Carrying amount of financial liabilities		
	Measured at amortised cost	4,285	2,748

10	**Debtors**		
		2022	**2021**
	Amounts falling due within one year:	**£**	**£**
	Other debtors	26,854	1,831

11	**Creditors: amounts falling due within one year**		
		2022	**2021**
		£	**£**
	Other taxation and social security	1,222	1,151
	Other creditors	4,285	2,748
		5,507	3,899

12 Retirement benefit schemes

Defined contribution schemes

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charitable company in an independently administered fund.

The charge to profit or loss in respect of defined contribution schemes was £1,722 (2021 - £1,678).

13 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

	Movement in funds				Movement in funds		
	Balance at 1 October 2020	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 1 October 2021	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 30 September 2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Lloyds Bank Foundation - Enable	3,045	-	(1,105)	1,940	-	(1,940)	-
Cyril Taylor Charitable Foundation	-	10,000	(1,324)	8,676	25,000	(13,618)	20,058
	3,045	10,000	(2,429)	10,616	25,000	(15,558)	20,058

Lloyds Bank Foundation - Enable is a grant from Lloyds Bank Foundation for England and Wales to be used to improve the website and client relationship management database.

Cyril Taylor Charitable Foundation - this is a grant to be used to increase our reach and capacity as necessary to help with the ever increasing caseloads the charitable company is facing.

14 Designated funds

The income funds of the charity include the following designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes:

		Movement in funds				Movement in funds			
	Balance at 1 October 2020	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	Balance at 1 October 2021	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	Balance at 30 September 2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Destitute asylum seekers fund	1,676	-	(768)	1,000	1,908	-	(3,016)	4,000	2,892
Free reserve	49,178	118,387	(80,768)	(3,000)	83,797	107,103	(84,791)	(4,000)	102,109
Travel fund	-	-	-	2,000	2,000	-	-	-	2,000
	50,854	118,387	(81,536)	-	87,705	107,103	(87,807)	-	107,001

The destitute asylum seekers fund was set up during 2012 to set aside £2,000 per annum, reduced to £1,000 per annum in 2016, for providing destitute asylum seekers with small sums of money to allow them to purchase essentials such as food, phone credit and bus passes. This was increased to £4,000 in 2022.

The travel fund was set up in 2021 to ensure that funding previously received for travel expenses is used for this purpose. £2,000 was received from a trustee in 2020 for management to travel to Sudan but this has not been utilised due to the Covid-19 pandemic and associated travel restrictions.

15 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2022	Restricted funds 2022	Total 2022	Unrestricted funds 2021	Restricted funds 2021	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund balances at 30 September 2022 are represented by:						
Current assets/(liabilities)	107,001	20,058	127,059	87,705	10,616	98,321
	107,001	20,058	127,059	87,705	10,616	98,321

16 Related party transactions

During the year the charitable company received donations of £50,000 (2021: £37,500) from The Tinsley Charitable Trust, a charity of which Mrs R C Tinsley is a trustee (£25,000 of which was owed to Waging Peace as at the year end).

Mrs R C Tinsley, is a trustee of both Waging Peace and Network For Africa. Waging Peace and Network for Africa formerly shared premises which have now been vacated, with Waging Peace's contribution to the rent and service charges being £nil (2021: £2,477).

During the year the charitable company received donations totalling £2,000 (2021: £2,000) from certain trustees, former trustees and their spouses.

WAGING PEACE

England & Wales - Charity number 1124746

Accounts

Charity Registration No. 1124746

Company Registration No. 05693101 (England and Wales)

WAGING PEACE (FORMERLY ARTICLE 1 CHARITABLE TRUST)

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

WAGING PEACE (FORMERLY ARTICLE 1 CHARITABLE TRUST)

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	T Hossain R Cockett Dame R M Marsden R Tinsley V Harding-Mbogo S Hawkins
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Company number	05693101
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WAGING PEACE (FORMERLY ARTICLE 1 CHARITABLE TRUST)

TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2021.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charitable company's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 and "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
The charitable company's objects are the advancement of the education of the public about war and peace, human rights, the environment and democracy and to research issues of public policy in relation to war and peace, human rights, the environment and democracy (and publish the results of such research).

Mission
To support Sudanese asylum-seekers and refugees to build meaningful lives in the UK.

Vision
A Sudanese-British community leading fulfilling lives, and contributing to local and national life in UK while working for an inclusive, diverse, and peaceful Sudan.

Strategic aims
- To provide a range of responsive, quality services to support Sudanese refugees to build meaningful lives in UK.
- To increase awareness of the needs of Sudanese refugees and to influence local, national, and international policy and service development in relation to Sudan.
- To develop a strong and sustainable organisation so that it may achieve its strategic aims.

Our USP
We occupy a unique position as a service provider for the Sudanese diaspora and a trusted 'critical friend' to a wide range of individuals and organisations operating in the Sudan policy and practice landscape. We act as a 'hub' for: advice and information, provision of support to Sudanese diaspora; in-depth, non-partisan cultural and political insight and understanding; expert opinion; developing links and facilitating dialogue.

Values
Trust - We've built trust by standing and working with, not abandoning, Sudan and its people.
Empowerment - Power with. We support and encourage each individual to fulfil their potential.
Neutrality - While we are committed to fighting for universal human rights, we believe there are Sudanese solutions to Sudanese challenges.
Transparency - We are deeply committed to working collaboratively with individuals and organisations, seeking feedback and consultation wherever possible.
Compassion - We are guided by love and held by boundaries. We seek to do all that is possible, and sometimes more, whilst knowing our limits.

Wider context
As we write this, Sudan is yet again on the brink of change, as its transition from dictatorship to democracy seems increasingly fragile. Its shared leadership model, comprising civilian and military elements, is collapsing, and needed changes, to laws, institutions, and governance, have failed to materialise. We worry that the situation will deteriorate further, though we remain confident that Sudan is one day capable of realising its dreams of 'freedom, peace, and justice'.

As ever, events in Sudan are not distant to our clients, and the turmoil of their home country impacts lives here. Whether in the bringing together of women forced to reckon with the reality of gang rape through videos of attacks circulated online; or the continued sense among Darfuri and Nuban communities that the increasing violence in their areas remains overlooked; or indeed the continued need for individuals to flee state violence and persecution and now arriving quite literally on the UK's shores. We have continued to stand alongside the community through difficult times, and below we outline how.

The trustees of the charity have given due regard and adhere to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Achievements and performance

Aim 1: To provide a range of responsive, quality services to support Sudanese refugees to build meaningful lives in UK

This year brought a rapid increase in the number of asylum-seekers in the UK who cite Sudan as their country of origin. According to the latest immigration statistics, in the year to June 2021, numbers rose 77%. Many are arriving via so-called 'small boats', and into a harsh and unwelcoming political environment. This is especially the case given the passage of the Borders Bill through Parliament, which campaigners have dubbed the 'Anti-Refugee Bill' for criminalising those who fail to claim asylum in another third safe country through which they pass. We remain hugely worried about the political climate and cold reception for our clients (1), and the refugee sector as a whole feels under siege. For now, the biggest impact on our casework has been extreme delays to decision-making, whether for older clients whose cases are not passing through courts, or for newer arrivals who are held in limbo before even being able to undertake their substantive interviews. As a result, casework can feel like managing the expectations and frustrations of someone held seemingly indefinitely in shoddy hotel accommodation, without access to adequate education, legal representation, activities, community, or often the basics like food and toiletries.

(1)https://www.law.ox.ac.uk/research-subject-groups/centre-criminology/centreborder-criminologies/blog/2021/06/everyday

We do what we can to plug these gaps for people: finding lawyers where we can; sourcing donated items like a winter jacket or football boots; providing mobile phone credit and other top-ups; and checking in regularly to provide emotional support. There has been unprecedented demand for our services, with referrals from new quarters such as social workers (for instance from the City of London Corporation, whom we briefed on Sudanese-specific cases in November 2020), and from within the refugee sector, as well as our usual model of community referrals, meaning that our casework demand has tripled. In response to this, we implemented a more rigid referral process and often had to operate a wait list for our services, with some individuals waiting a month or more for our support. We did so to ensure each client still received our usual high standards of holistic support and care.

Notable casework successes include the cases of a family including a 2-month-old baby made street homeless; a British man who died in massacres in El Geneina (discussed further below); legacy cases like a woman experiencing domestic abuse and threats from a husband requiring intense emotional support; someone trying to find their long-lost brother in Chad; a woman looking to protect her benefits and support after receiving substantial compensation for an unlawful detention claim; and the family of a young doctor and British national killed during police brutality during a protest.

For the past year we have also performed this work alongside a dedicated volunteer team, originally formed in September 2020, and developed over the past year. Engagement quickly blossomed into a volunteer network of 60+ Sudanese community members, many of whom we helped at earlier stages of their lives in the UK and who had valuable lived and learned experience of the asylum process and routes to integration in Britain.

These volunteers address the immediate and emotional needs of new Sudanese arrivals to the UK through Arabic-language and culturally sensitive support. They support new arrivals to overcome crises like social isolation, extreme poor mental health, poverty and hardship, unlawful detention, and threat of removal. They source and distribute donated items, or else buy essentials using our dedicated hardship fund. We stress the importance of being a listening ear, and of helping each individual make educated and empowered choices about the tough situation they face. Our role is group facilitation and casework management. For the past year the group has met weekly, or at most fortnightly, in a structured Zoom call, where we check in and prioritise self-care. We have also arranged training, leaning on friendly partners such as the law firm of our trustee Toufique Hossain, Duncan Lewis Solicitors, to attend our weekly sessions and offer advice on the asylum process or trafficking referrals. And we have pushed our volunteers to training options offered by, for instance, Refugee Action, the Asylum Research Centre, or on psychological first aid provided by current and former field workers associated with *Médecins Sans Frontières*.

As with last year, mental health remained an issue of key concern. We responded by ensuring our safeguarding policies and procedures were up-to-date, relying on trustee Shaughnessy Hawkins, who has a background in compliance and risk management, to help us with this. We found having updated policy hugely helpful when safeguarding issues were raised, for instance when individuals threatened harm to others in their hotel or accommodation. We contributed to reducing harm or risk of harm in these situations.

Although, as mentioned, the decision-making context in the UK is stalled, we remain concerned that the Home Office is not taking negative developments in Sudan seriously. We have fed back developments in country to lawyers at their request. A lawyer called a support letter we provided for a client in December, "Probably the most useful and thorough bit of bespoke evidence I've ever received in an asylum claim". We are also finalising a country of origin report in coming months, with staff having received dedicated training on how to produce such evidence online from reputable organisations Asylos and the Asylum Research Consultancy in January 2021. This report will also be useful to lawyers and home ministries abroad. In fact, we are already aware of its potential use in Israel, where that country's own failure to process Darfuri asylum claims is now under consideration, and to whom we were invited to provide training in February 2021. Approaches have also been made from other quarters, notably the Netherlands, where we helped produce evidence of continued risk for failed asylum-seekers returned to Sudan, and Belgium's Office of the Commissioner General for Refugees and Stateless persons.

Over the past year we have worked alongside and referred or signposted among a network of partner organisations, notably Care4Calais. We ensured the experiences of Sudanese themselves informed sector-wide policy and campaigning initiatives on issues such as right to work alongside the Lift the Ban coalition, hate crimes alongside identity-based violence prevention charity Protection Approaches, and immigration detention reform with the Detention Forum and Association of Visitors to Immigration Detainees. We ensured Sudanese voices were part of collaborative efforts to push for a fair, timely and accessible immigration system.

Aim 2: To increase awareness of the needs of Sudanese refugees and to influence local and national policy and service development in relation to Sudan

We are particularly proud over the last year of times we have helped individual Sudanese activists meet and plan their policy and advocacy strategies. One example was helping Sudanese women come together in online meetings after members of a women's group, the Sudanese Women's Union UK branch, had seen videos circulating online showing incidents of gang rape. The group met mostly weekly for 8 weeks, supporting each other emotionally, and working alongside organisations with on-the-ground presence to arrange direct and practical support. In a testament to the trust built among this group, some women shared their own stories of harassment and sexual discrimination for the first time with others. We are confident we can build on this trusting relationship in the coming year to once again profile Sudanese women's experiences, which in both Sudan and the UK are sadly often overlooked.

We did similar work with individual community groups, notably those of the Massaleit tribe following horrific massacres and attacks in the Darfur city, El Geneina in April 2021, being able to connect groups with policy-makers directly, as well as to bring to life the testimony of British nationals killed in this violence (2). We also produced a video in solidarity with Darfur (3) following this.

(2)https://www.hmd.org.uk/resource/sharif-barko/
(3)https://www.facebook.com/WagingPeaceUK/videos/508949797141186/

Similarly, we worked with the director of the HUDO Centre, which documents human rights abuses in the 'Two Areas' of Blue Nile and South Kordofan, to, for the first time ever in either of our organisations' histories, make a submission to Sudan's Universal Period Review process. With close collaboration and the benefit of expert guidance from colleagues at CSW, and on the strength of our submission, the Director of HUDO Centre (and Waging Peace through our partnership) was chosen as a speaker at a UPR pre-sessional meeting at the beginning of October 2021, a prime opportunity to set the agenda on Sudan at the United Nations level. A fact sheet summarising our work is here (4).

(4)https://www.upr-info.org/sites/default/files/document/sudan/session_39_-_may_2021/upr_pre-session_fact_sheet_sudan_hudo_centre_waging_peace_october2021.pdf

This same individual also approached us to take forward his idea of translating the Universal Declaration of Human Rights into local Sudanese languages. For the first time since the UDHR was written in 1948, three Sudanese languages are now available for download on the UN site: Fur (5) (Darfur) (6), Moro (7) (Nuba) (8) and Uduk (9) (Blue Nile) (10). We helped launch these translations and their corresponding focus groups to the UK-based Sudanese community by hosting an online event in July 2021, which we then built on by bringing together a core group of interested partners for follow-up meetings in following months. The development of events, resources, and online tools around language and its importance in reclaiming lost 'African' identities, will be a focus of our work in 2021-2022.

(5)https://www.ohchr.org/EN/UDHR/Pages/Language.aspx?LangID=fvr
(6)https://youtu.be/l6opwSITXqM
(7)https://www.ohchr.org/EN/UDHR/Pages/Language.aspx?LangID=mor
(8)https://youtu.be/2ajAt5vv1Eo
(9)https://www.ohchr.org/EN/UDHR/Pages/Language.aspx?LangID=udu
(10)https://youtu.be/euEqZkt7HoY

We engaged in funded research alongside the Royal United Services Institute (RUSI), the University of Nottingham Rights Lab, and Global Partners Governance on the context of modern slavery in Sudan on behalf of the Arts and Humanities Research Council. We organised a focus group of survivors of human trafficking who analysed research outputs, and ensured the finished report was survivor-led. The final report (11) was launched to an engaged crowd at an online event on 26 May 2021 at which a survivor featured with a presentation and closed the event with a song of peace and hope. Extracts of our joint research and launch event were showcased on RUSI's website which includes the survivor's song (12). Given the high proportion of Sudanese individuals who are themselves survivors of trafficking (Sudan was the sixth largest country of origin for National Referral Mechanism referrals according to 2018 statistics), this could have transformative impact in Sudan itself, but also for UK decision-making.

(11)https://gpgovernance.net/the-impact-of-covid-19-on-human-trafficking-in-sudan/
(12)https://rusi.org/news-and-comment/video-commentary/world-day-against-trafficking-persons-human-trafficking-sudan

We have continued to build the strength and sustainability of the UK-Sudan advocacy group we convene, now comprising 60+ international NGOs, humanitarian agencies, think tanks alongside many more individual researchers, who work on or in Sudan, including a greater number of European and Sudanese partners given the barriers to entry for our now regular online meetings are reduced. We have adopted a voluntary membership contribution model that means we can recoup some of the costs of running this group, and are also ensuring accountability to the needs and wishes of Sudanese communities by recruiting and training a Sudanese activist and human rights defender to shadow us in the role of group chair. The group continued to host internal information-sharing meetings, as well as introductory calls for new officials, including in the Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office, which over this past year experienced some normal staff turnover to welcome a new Ambassador and also a new Special Envoy for the Horn of Africa and Red Sea. On 8 December 2020 we also arranged a high-level meeting with US partners involved in transitional justice, to ensure efforts were strategic and not being duplicated, alongside DT Global, the United States Institute of Peace and the National Endowment for Democracy. The strength of our group inspired the formation of a German Horn of Africa working group, whose meetings we now try to attend where possible.

Where deemed useful, we engaged with Parliamentarians, including by producing a briefing (13) for MPs alongside Protection Approaches and the REDRESS Trust ahead of a Westminster Hall debate on 15 October.

(13)https://wagingpeace.info/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/A-hopeful-yet-fragile-peace-Oct-2020-0001.pdf

In a UK setting we continued our engagement with the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust, attending their January 2021 nationwide ceremony (online), where the testimony of a Darfuri individual we referred to the organisation, Abdul Musa Adam, was centrally featured. His testimony also featured in a local HMDT event in Northern Ireland, as were the stories of other individuals, including in Scotland. Notably the UK nationwide ceremony also featured a Darfuri survivor reading statements in her Fur mother tongue, the first time this had happened. We took advantage of the online ceremony to invite a wider pool of Sudanese individuals to attend, including in Sudan itself. We also ensured the stories of other individuals were recorded by HMDT for 'life stories' (14) and educational resources (15). Where relevant we also connected survivors to other awareness-raising opportunities, as with a film (16) made by James Silverman featuring our contact Debay Manees.

(14)https://www.hmd.org.uk/resource/el-sadiq-debay-manees-hmd-2021/
(15)https://www.hmd.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/Days-to-remember.pdf
(16)https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ut8_FdLB9iI&feature=youtu.be

In terms of educational resources, we this year produced our own teachers resource pack (17) alongside the team at Genocide80Twenty with a background in teaching school-age children about post-Holocaust issues. It was launched to mark Black History Month on 14 October 2020 at an event we hosted alongside Jasmin, a British-Sudanese 12-year-old. This teacher pack has reached dozens of schools in the UK, and has even been shown to a teacher and his students in a refugee camp in Chad. At the beginning of the launch event, we polled the teachers who attended about how confident and well-resourced they felt to teach about the Darfur genocide, and only 47% said they were very or mostly confident, compared with 91% at the end of the meeting.

(17)https://wagingpeace.info/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/TeachersResourcePack_v8.pdf

Securing media was not such a priority this year, but despite this we secured coverage in the BBC World Service (18), The Guardian, and Forbes. This included coverage of us signing a letter labelling the Government's New Plan for Immigration 'vague, unworkable, cruel, and potentially unlawful' (19). We also received some media attention following the Netflix release of a film in October 2020, His House (20), which was about Sudanese asylum-seekers in Sudan, and for which we had acted as consultants. With the help of an intern, we were also able to properly organise, store, and digitise our media archive, the physical copy of which is a powerful testament to our decades-long commitment to Sudan, and for which we are seeking a permanent home.

(18)https://www.bbc.co.uk/sounds/play/w3ct1x3b
(19)https://www.theguardian.com/world/2021/apr/30/sham-200-groups-criticise-uk-government-consultation-on-refugee-policy
(20)https://www.netflix.com/gb/title/81231197

This year the children's drawings were also featured in many new places, notably on the British Sudanese Paediatric and Child health Association website; in Japanese, German and French-language textbooks; in a student-drafted book with a foreword by Stephen Fry that led to donations to us; in a podcast (21); or most impressively in the world-famous MUCEM museum in Marseille (22) over the summer of 2021.

(21)https://anchor.fm/yetagainuk/episodes/Episode-4-Childrens-Drawings-of-the-Genocide-in-Darfur-a-chat-with-writer-Barnabas-Balint-equk2g
(22)https://www.mucem.org/en/deflagrations

Our social media, as on Facebook (23) and Twitter (24), remained regularly updated throughout the year, and we also increased our newsletter output, re-engaging longer-term supporters, including with 'guest blogs' by our trustees and other long-time friends of Sudan.

(23)https://www.facebook.com/WagingPeaceUK
(24)https://twitter.com/WagingPeaceUK

Aim 3: To develop a strong and sustainable organisation so that it may achieve its strategic aims

Readers will notice that this year's trustee report is under the name 'Waging Peace'. This is because we undertook a process of renaming as Waging Peace (from Article 1 Charitable Trust) in early 2021, though we retain our same registration with the Charity Commission (1124746). This brings our activities under one name, and the name by which we are most known by the Sudanese community itself. It took a lot of administrative effort, and the pro bono support of a wonderful team at Paul Hastings (Europe) LLP.

Other major changes this year involve the part-time work we have sought from an interpreter, to aid us in initial client intake calls, who in 2021-2022 may be evolving their role to something more stable and long-term. We also benefitted from the support of two additional interns who we managed remotely due to COVID-19 restrictions and WFH. This was our first foray into remote management which stretched us to consider a host of factors such as how to effectively supervise and support their internships and development, creating time for regular Zoom meetings and being readily accessible for questions. One intern was placed with us by the University of Sheffield who undertook country of origin information research on Sudan, which is being folded into a wider report due for publication next year.

Staff continued home working throughout 2020-2021, and actually permanently closed down the office space in January 2021, which involved considerable time to arrange, but has reduced overheads ongoingly. We found a happy solution for our office contents and donated 95% of our furniture and supplies to the Sudanese Lawyers Association in the UK who plan to open an office in London. Measures were taken to ensure staff wellbeing and digital safety, for instance the purchasing of work mobiles to ensure the separation of work from personal life. Staff continued to meet at least weekly online to discuss workload, and approximately every 6 weeks with the Chair of the Board of Trustees, for oversight, as well as occasionally in person for outdoor meetings. Staff continued to receive support from peer support models like ellaForums, and in facilitated groups individually.

The Board continued to provide support, despite their other commitments. In September we celebrated the long-term commitment of Olivia Warham MBE to Waging Peace, following her decision to step down as our Chair, to be replaced by Victoria Harding-Mbogo.

The urgency of work around anti-racism continued to be felt by staff, who from November 2020 onwards hosted 8 evening sessions of a discussion group where attendees could jointly strategise, and more importantly, *feel into* the work of anti-racism. Anti-racism continued to be a standing Board discussion topic at meetings, and was supplemented by training on unconscious bias in May 2021. The Board also jointly agreed language around inclusion, and will in the coming year work on a trustee recruitment package to ensure we include those with lived experience at the highest levels of our decision-making, and ideally as trustees themselves.

We also continued to benefit from low-cost IT support from Caspar Kennerdale. This year this involved coordination around the revamp of our website, to reflect our new identity, as well as updates to our work.

Fundraising was successful this year, and we are grateful to funders who stood by us in difficult months. The year also included a welcome increase in public donations when we conducted a month-long match-funded campaign following a kind donation for this purpose. We maintain reserves which reflect at least 3 months' expenditure.

While projects and their delivery necessarily remain flexible to respond to the increasingly volatile national and global context, our strategic aims and values have remained the same throughout 2020-2021. We remain committed to ensuring our clients are supported to build or re-build meaningful lives, and can influence national and international policy and practice, and do so in trust, with neutrality, transparency, in the spirit of empowerment, and with deep compassion.

Financial review

The charity's principal sources of income are donations from individuals and other charitable organisations. In addition to monetary donations Waging Peace relies on a significant amount of volunteers time in order to achieve the objectives described in this Report.

Reserves policy
It is the policy of the charitable company that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to approximately three month's expenditure. The trustees considers that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charitable company's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year.

Structure, governance and management
Waging Peace is registered as a company limited by guarantee (without share capital) no. 05693101 and as a registered charity no. 1124746. Its governing instrument is its memorandum and articles of association. The directors are the members of the company and each member, during his or her membership or within one year afterwards, undertakes to contribute a sum not exceeding £1 to the assets of the company in the event of it being wound up.

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:
T Hossain
R Cockett
Dame R M Marsden
O Warham (Resigned 16 September 2021)
R Tinsley
V Harding-Mbogo
S Hawkins

New trustees are appointed as required and receive a comprehensive induction on the activities of the charity.

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charitable company is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

Disclosure of information to auditor
Each of the trustees has confirmed that there is no information of which they are aware which is relevant to the audit, but of which the auditor is unaware. They have further confirmed that they have taken appropriate steps to identify such relevant information and to establish that the auditor is aware of such information.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

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V Harding-Mbogo
Trustee
Dated: 29/11/2021

WAGING PEACE (FORMERLY ARTICLE 1 CHARITABLE TRUST)

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

The trustees, who are also the directors of Waging Peace (formerly Article 1 Charitable Trust) for the purpose of company law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company Law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that year.

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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;

- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and

- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

WAGING PEACE (FORMERLY ARTICLE 1 CHARITABLE TRUST)

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF WAGING PEACE (FORMERLY ARTICLE 1 CHARITABLE TRUST)

Opinion

We have audited the accounts of Waging Peace (formerly Article 1 Charitable Trust) (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 30 September 2021 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, and the notes to the accounts, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation 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 charitable company's affairs as at 30 September 2021 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

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 accounts section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the accounts 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 charitable company'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 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.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of our audit:

- the information given in the trustees' report, which includes the directors' report prepared for the purposes of company law, for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the directors' report included within the trustees' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Trustees' Report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the trustees' report and from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the statement of trustees' responsibilities, the trustees, who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purpose of company law, 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 the trustees 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 charitable company'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 charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's 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, is detailed below.

- Enquiry of management and those charged with governance around actual and potential litigation and claims;
- Reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance where available;
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- Performing audit work over the risk of management override of controls, including testing of journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions outside the normal course of business and reviewing accounting estimates for bias.

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 regulation. 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 is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: https://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 charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' 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 charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Kerry Hilliard ACA FCCA CTA (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of Stephenson Smart & Co

10/12/2021

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WAGING PEACE (FORMERLY ARTICLE 1 CHARITABLE TRUST)

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total 2021 £	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Restricted funds 2020 £	Total 2020 £
Income from:							
Donations	3	118,350	10,000	128,350	88,135	-	88,135
Interest receivable	4	37	-	37	52	-	52
Total income		118,387	10,000	128,387	88,187	-	88,187
Expenditure on:							
Charitable activities	5	81,536	2,429	83,965	85,807	1,660	87,467
Net income for the year/ Net movement in funds		36,851	7,571	44,422	2,380	(1,660)	720
Fund balances at 1 October 2020		50,854	3,045	53,899	48,474	4,705	53,179
Fund balances at 30 September 2021		87,705	10,616	98,321	50,854	3,045	53,899

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

WAGING PEACE (FORMERLY ARTICLE 1 CHARITABLE TRUST)

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

	Notes	2021 £	£	2020 £	£
Current assets					
Debtors	**10**	1,831		1,938	
Cash at bank and in hand		100,389		54,536	
		102,220		56,474	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	**11**	(3,899)		(2,575)	
Net current assets			98,321		53,899
Income funds					
Restricted funds	**13**		10,616		3,045
Unrestricted funds					
Designated funds	**14**	3,908		1,676	
General unrestricted funds		83,797		49,178	
			87,705		50,854
			98,321		53,899

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 29/11/2021

V Harding-Mbogo
Trustee

Company Registration No. 05693101

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Waging Peace (formerly Article 1 Charitable Trust) is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is 14 St Mary's Street, Stamford, Lincolnshire, PE9 2DF.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charitable company's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 and "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)". The charitable company is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charitable company has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charitable company. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charitable company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Designated funds comprise funds which have been set aside at the discretion of the trustees for specific purposes. The purposes and uses of the designated funds are set out in the notes to the accounts.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the charitable company is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charitable company has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid is recognised once the claim has been made.

1.5 Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis.

1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand and deposits held with banks.

1 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

1.7 Financial instruments

The charitable company has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charitable company's balance sheet when the charitable company becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets and liabilities

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.8 Employee benefits

The costs of short-term employee costs are recognised as a liability and an expense.

1.9 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charitable company's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3 Donations

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£
Donations and grants	118,350	10,000	128,350	88,135
For the year ended 30 September 2020	88,135	-		88,135

4 Interest receivable

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Unrestricted funds 2020 £
Interest receivable	37	52

5 Charitable activities

	2021 £	2020 £
Staff costs	68,379	65,038
Project and community support costs	1,876	2,622
Travel and subsistence	-	2,573
Rent and utilities	2,476	8,543
Office costs	4,174	1,637
Destitute asylum seekers	768	576
IT costs	1,105	1,660
Staff training	1,192	915
	79,970	83,564
Share of governance costs (see note 6)	3,995	3,903
	83,965	87,467
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	81,536	85,807
Restricted funds	2,429	1,660
	83,965	87,467

6 Governance costs

	Governance costs	2021	2020	Basis of allocation
	£	£	£	
Audit, accountancy and payroll fees	3,958	3,958	3,868	100% Charitable activities
Bank charges and interest	37	37	35	100% Charitable activities
	3,995	3,995	3,903	
Analysed between				
Charitable activities	3,995	3,995	3,903	

Governance costs includes payments to the auditors of £2,580 (2020- £2,490) for audit fees and £378 (2020- £378) for other services.

7 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration, benefits or expenses from the charitable company during the year.

8 Employees

Number of employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2021 Number	2020 Number
Management and fundraising	2	2

Employment costs	2021 £	2020 £
Wages and salaries	65,327	60,750
Social security costs	1,374	3,544
Other pension costs	1,678	744
	68,379	65,038

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was £60,000 or more.

9 Financial instruments

	2021	2020
	£	£
Carrying amount of financial assets		
Debt instruments measured at amortised cost	1,831	1,938
Carrying amount of financial liabilities		
Measured at amortised cost	2,748	1,502

10 Debtors

	2021	2020
Amounts falling due within one year:	£	£
Other debtors	1,831	1,938

11 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021	2020
	£	£
Other taxation and social security	1,151	1,073
Other creditors	2,748	1,502
	3,899	2,575

12 Retirement benefit schemes

Defined contribution schemes

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charitable company in an independently administered fund.

The charge to profit or loss in respect of defined contribution schemes was £1,678 (2020 - £744).

13 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

		Movement in funds				
	Balance at 1 October 2019	Resources expended	Balance at 1 October 2020	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 30 September 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Lloyds Bank Foundation - Enable	4,705	(1,660)	3,045	-	(1,105)	1,940
Cyril Taylor Foundation	-	-	-	10,000	(1,324)	8,676
	4,705	(1,660)	3,045	10,000	(2,429)	10,616

Lloyds Bank Foundation - Enable is a grant from Lloyds Bank Foundation for England and Wales to be used to improve the website and client relationship management database.

Cyril Taylor Foundation - this is a grant to be used to fund interpreters and interns as necessary to help with the ever increasing caseloads the charitable company is facing.

14 Designated funds

The income funds of the charity include the following designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes:

	Movement in funds					Movement in funds			
	Balance at 1 October 2019	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	Balance at 1 October 2020	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	Balance at 30 September 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Destitute asylum seekers fund	1,252	-	(576)	1,000	1,676	-	(768)	1,000	1,908
Free reserve	47,222	88,187	(85,231)	(1,000)	49,178	118,387	(80,768)	(3,000)	83,797
Travel fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,000	2,000
	48,474	88,187	(85,807)	-	50,854	118,387	(81,536)	-	87,705

The destitute asylum seekers fund was set up during 2012 to set aside £2,000 per annum, reduced to £1,000 per annum in 2016, for providing destitute asylum seekers with small sums of money to allow them to purchase essentials such as food, phone credit and bus passes.

The travel fund was set up in 2021 to ensure that funding previously received for travel expenses is used for this purpose. £2,000 was received from a trustee in 2020 for management to travel to Sudan but this has not been utilised due to the Covid-19 pandemic and associated travel restrictions.

15 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2021	Restricted funds 2021	Total 2021	Unrestricted funds 2020	Restricted funds 2020	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund balances at 30 September 2021 are represented by:						
Current assets/ (liabilities)	87,705	10,616	98,321	50,854	3,045	53,899
	87,705	10,616	98,321	50,854	3,045	53,899

16 Related party transactions

During the year the charitable company received donations of £37,500 (2020: £14,500) from The Tinsley Charitable Trust, a charity of which Mrs R C Tinsley is a trustee.

Mrs R C Tinsley, is a trustee of both Waging Peace and Network For Africa. Waging Peace and Network for Africa formerly shared premises, with Waging Peace's contribution to the rent and service charges being £2,477 (2020: £8,629).

During the year the charitable company received donations totalling £2,000 (2020: £13,000) from certain trustees, former trustees and their spouses.