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WAGING PEACE (FORMERLY ARTICLE 1 CHARITABLE TRUST)
ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

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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.

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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.

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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.

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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/>

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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>

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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 remunerating 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-we-are-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.

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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

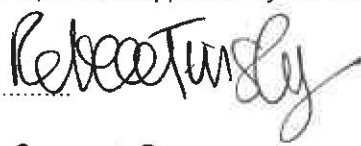
New trustees are appointed as required and receive a comprehensive induction on the activities of the charity.

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

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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.

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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.

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

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.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

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

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

Chartered Accountants
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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

		Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total 2021 £
	Notes						
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	
		<u>132,566</u>		<u>102,220</u>	
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
<u>Unrestricted funds</u>					
Designated funds	14	4,892		3,908	
General unrestricted funds		<u>102,109</u>		<u>83,797</u>	
			107,001		87,705
			<u>127,059</u>		<u>98,321</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 18.11.22

R Tinsley

R Tinsley
Trustee

Company Registration No. 05693101

WAGING PEACE (FORMERLY ARTICLE 1 CHARITABLE TRUST)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

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.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

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	<u>118,350</u>	<u>10,000</u>		<u>128,350</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

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

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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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
	<u>4,417</u>	<u>4,417</u>	<u>3,995</u>	
Analysed between				
Charitable activities	<u>4,417</u>	<u>4,417</u>	<u>3,995</u>	

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	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
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
	<u>73,632</u>	<u>68,379</u>

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

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

9	Financial instruments	2022	2021
		£	£
	Carrying amount of financial assets		
	Debt instruments measured at amortised cost	26,854	1,831
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	Carrying amount of financial liabilities		
	Measured at amortised cost	4,285	2,748
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
10	Debtors	2022	2021
		£	£
	Amounts falling due within one year:		
	Other debtors	26,854	1,831
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
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
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
		5,507	3,899
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>

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).

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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
	<u>3,045</u>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>(2,429)</u>	<u>10,616</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>(15,558)</u>	<u>20,058</u>

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.

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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:

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

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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
	<u>107,001</u>	<u>20,058</u>	<u>127,059</u>	<u>87,705</u>	<u>10,616</u>	<u>98,321</u>

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.