

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

England & Wales · Charity number 1126075

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 2008-09-26

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: a) The prevention and relief of poverty, hardship or distress within the United Kingdom and abroad, to individuals in need and/or charities, or other organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty in need by making grants of money. b) The advancement of Jewish education within the United Kingdom and abroad, by assisting organisations supporting the work of education establishments or associated with them by making grants to educational institutions to cover a financial shortfall. c) The advancement of the Orthodox Jewish religion within the United Kingdom and abroad, by raising awareness and understanding of religious beliefs and practices. It will support organisations such as synagogues and organisations which enable Jewish people to observe the requirements of their faith by making grants of money. The trustees shall hold the capital income of the trust fund upon trust to apply the income and all or such part or parts of the capital as such time or times and in such manner as the trustees may in their absolute discretion think fit for or towards such of the objects of the charity as the trustees may from time to time at their absolute discretion determine including payments by way of give or loan (with or without interest) to individual persons in any part of the world provided that such persons qualify as objects of the charity as determined by English Law including payment to the organisation for its charitable activities.

Activities: The primary purpose of the charity is to support the charitable activities of the Mercaz Hatorah Belz Mcnivka in Jerusalem, Israel. Other charitable activities include the relief of poverty, hardship and distress amongst residents of Israel and the advancement of the Orthodox Jewish education.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED, IN PRACTICE
- Belgium
- Israel
- United States
- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-06-30	£6,777,795	£6,723,052	£209,726	0
2024-06-30	£7,234,123	£7,287,611	£154,983	0
2023-06-30	£7,492,213	£7,872,039	£208,471	0
2022-06-30	£8,895,705	£8,541,305	£588,297	0
2021-06-30	£7,762,028	£7,664,526	£233,897	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ELOZER YONAH BRANDER	Chair	
CHAYE GITEL KRAUTWIRT		2012-12-20
MENACHEM LIEBER		

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Accounts

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025
FOR
FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

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FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

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for the year ended 30 June 2025

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FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES **for the year ended 30 June 2025**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The primary objective of the charity is to support the charitable activities of the Mercaz Hatorah Belz Macnivka institutions in Israel. Other charitable activities include the relief of poverty, hardship and distress within the United Kingdom and abroad, the advancement of Jewish education within the United Kingdom and abroad, and the advancement of the Orthodox Jewish religion within the United Kingdom and abroad.

The activities of the charity are to receive charitable donations to be applied towards the charity's stated objectives.

In furtherance of these objectives the charity:

- Provides bursaries to full time and part time students of the wider Mercaz Hatorah Belz Macnivka network of institutions;
- Provides grants to qualifying institutions who are involved in the furtherance of the Jewish Faith and in advancing Jewish Education;
- Provides grants and bursaries to qualifying needy families and individuals.

Public benefit

The trustees have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, and 'The Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit' in particular, when reviewing the aim and objectives and in planning the charity's future activities. The aims of the charitable company for the public benefit are detailed in the 'Objectives and Activities' section of this report and the main activities undertaken in order to carry out the charitable company's aims for the public benefit are outlined under 'Achievements and Performance' below.

Grantmaking

The charity principally supports the institutions of Belz Macnivka in the United Kingdom, Israel and around the world. The trustees are in regular contact with senior members of the institutions around the world who report on the activities of the institutions and on funding requirements.

Donations received are generally designated for specific causes within the Belz Macnivka network of institutions, however the trustees consider applications from the general public and seek to make donations which meet the charity's objectives and satisfy the principals set out within the Trust Deed. All applications are carefully considered and assistance provided according to circumstances and funds then available.

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES **for the year ended 30 June 2025**

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

During the year the charity received charitable donations in excess of £6.7m, all of which have been applied for charitable purposes.

The charity is currently assisting with funding the purchase and construction of a new headquarters in Israel. Currently the costs of acquiring the land and developing the site have exceeded £36m. The total cost for this project is anticipated to be £48m. The expansion is necessary due to the convergence of followers from all over the world participating in the Jewish Holidays. Upwards of 1,000 followers spend the Jewish Festivals with the Rebbi. The trustees are pleased to report that as a result of the generosity of its supporters, work is progressing steadily. Part of the building has been brought into use and is used for prayer services by the general public and this milestone was reported positively in the local and national press.

The Rabbinical leadership of the Belz institutions in Israel support and maintain a large network of educational, religious and communal facilities. Discretionary grants are also provided to needy families who face financial hardship. In addition, the Rebbi has an open door policy and he sees hundreds of people weekly who come to seek his counsel and his blessing. He holds several weekly gatherings, mainly on Saturdays which are attended by large crowds who draw inspiration from his teachings. In order to fund the activities of the institutions, regular collections are made from supporters worldwide.

The trustees are pleased to report that in the year under review, grants in excess of £6.5m were distributed to institutions and individuals in accordance with its grant making policy.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial results

The financial results for the year to 30 June 2025 are shown in the attached financial statements.

Total income for the year decreased from £7,234,123 to £6,777,795, Total expenditure decreased from £7,287,611 to £6,723,052 in comparison with the previous period. There was a net increase in funds of £54,743 with total funds carried forward of £209,726 (2024: £154,983).

Reserves policy

The trustees have established the level of reserves (that is those funds that are freely available) that the charity ought to have. Reserves are needed to bridge the funding gaps between spending on activities and receiving resources through voluntary donations. The trustees consider that the ideal level of reserves as at 30 June 2025 would be about one to two month's expenditure. However, the charity is operated as a grant giving charity, and the trustees' policy is to seek to distribute the bulk of the income arising in each financial year as it becomes available.

Restricted reserves at the year end were £209,726 (2024: £154,983).

Whilst the charity does not have any financial commitments, the trustees are actively pursuing sources of funding in order to ensure that there are sufficient reserves to provide financial stability and flexibility.

FUTURE PLANS

Friends of Mercaz Hatorah Belz Macnivka will continue to support the charitable institutions within the wider network of the Belz Macnivka movement as well as other charitable causes which are in line with its Objects.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES **for the year ended 30 June 2025**

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Trustees may be appointed by the existing trustees at any time, either to fill a casual vacancy or as an addition to the existing trustees. Any trustees so appointed will hold office only until the next Annual General Meeting and will then be eligible for re-election.

No trustee had any beneficial interest in any contract with the charitable entity during the year.

Potential trustees are invited to informally attend trustee meetings prior to appointment and a comprehensive induction programme is available. Additionally individual trustees may undertake external training in a particular area of their role on the Governing Body.

Organisational structure

The board of trustees administers the charity. The board meets quarterly.

Induction and training of new trustees

The charitable entity strives to ensure equal opportunities and diversity in the employment of staff and trustee appointments. Selection criteria and procedures are regularly reviewed to ensure that individuals are selected, promoted and treated on the basis of their relevant merits and abilities.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

Fundraising

The charity has a good reputation within the local community and has a large pool of regular donors who wish to have a part in the charitable activities of the charity. Existing donors often recommend and encourage other philanthropists to pledge their support to the success of the charity.

The charity is committed to the principals set out by the Fundraising Regulator in its Code of Fundraising Practice. When donors are approached, this is done with sensitivity and respect and with regard to their circumstances.

The trustees are pleased to report that no complaints were received in the past twelve months in relation to its fundraising activities.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1126075

Principal address

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Trustees

Mrs G Krautwirt
Mr E Y Brander
Mr M Lieber

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
for the year ended 30 June 2025

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Auditors

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

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

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law, the trustees have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law).

Under charity law the trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing those 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;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and The Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. 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.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on and signed on its behalf by:

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Mrs G Krautwirt - Trustee

**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA**

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Friends of Mercaz Hatorah Belz Macnivka (the 'charity') for the year ended 30 June 2025 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, 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 (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 June 2025 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 Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Material Uncertainty Related to Going Concern

As disclosed in the notes to the financial statements, the charity's bankers withdrew banking facilities in January 2026, and as a result the charity has paused its activities. The trustees have challenged this decision and are in the process of arranging alternative banking facilities with another provider. The withdrawal of banking facilities could affect the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The trustees are confident that in due course banking facilities suitable to the charity's size and operations will be in place. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

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.

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 trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the financial statements and our Report of the Independent Auditors thereon.

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.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, 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 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 where the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

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

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements which 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 liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA**

Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditors under Section 144 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 a Report of the Independent Auditors 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:

Our approach to identifying and assessing the risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, was as follows:

- the engagement partner ensured that the engagement team collectively had the appropriate competence, capabilities and skills to identify or recognise non-compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- we identified the laws and regulations applicable to the charitable company through discussions with management and from our commercial knowledge and experience of the sector Friends of Mercaz Hatorah Belz Macnivka belongs to;
- we focused on specific laws and regulations which we considered may have a direct material effect on the financial statements or the operations of the association, including the Charities Act 2011, Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019), Trustees Act, Bribery Act and data protection;
- we assessed the extent of compliance with the laws and regulations identified above through making enquiries of management and inspecting legal correspondence; and
- identified laws and regulations were communicated within the audit team regularly and the team remained alert to instances of non-compliance throughout the audit.

We assessed the susceptibility of the charity's financial statements to material misstatement, including obtaining an understanding of how fraud might occur, by:

- making enquiries of management as to where they considered there was susceptibility to fraud, their knowledge of actual, suspected and alleged fraud; and
- considering the internal controls in place to mitigate risks of fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, including the ones that ensure that the grants are used for intended purposes.

To address the risk of fraud through management bias and override of controls, we:

- performed analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships;
- tested journal entries to identify unusual transactions;
- assessed whether judgements and assumptions made in determining the accounting estimates were indicative of potential bias; and
- investigated the rationale behind significant or unusual transactions.

In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations, we designed procedures which included, but were not limited to:

- agreeing financial statement disclosures to underlying supporting documentation;
- reading the minutes of meetings of those charged with governance;
- enquiring of management as to actual and potential litigation and claims.

There are inherent limitations in our audit procedures described above. The more removed that laws and regulations are from financial transactions, the less likely it is that we would become aware of non-compliance. Auditing standards also limit the audit procedures required to identify non-compliance with laws and regulations to enquiry of the trustees and other management and the inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any.

Material misstatements that arise due to fraud can be harder to detect than those that arise from error as they may involve deliberate concealment or collusion.

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Report of the Independent Auditors.

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 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 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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Date:

Xeinadin Audit Limited is eligible to act as an auditor in terms of Section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the year ended 30 June 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted fund £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	-	6,777,795	6,777,795	7,234,123
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EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds	3	-	152,539	152,539	66,409
Charitable activities	4				
Provision of education and relief of poverty		-	6,570,513	6,570,513	7,221,202
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Total		-	6,723,052	6,723,052	7,287,611
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NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		-	54,743	54,743	(53,488)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		-	154,983	154,983	208,471
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TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		-	209,726	209,726	154,983
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The notes form part of these financial statements

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

BALANCE SHEET

30 June 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted fund £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank		-	228,070	228,070	166,983
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	9	-	(18,344)	(18,344)	(12,000)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>-</u>	<u>209,726</u>	<u>209,726</u>	<u>154,983</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		-	209,726	209,726	154,983
NET ASSETS		<u>-</u>	<u>209,726</u>	<u>209,726</u>	<u>154,983</u>
FUNDS	10				
Restricted funds				<u>209,726</u>	<u>154,983</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>209,726</u>	<u>154,983</u>

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

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Mrs G Krautwirt - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

CASH FLOW STATEMENT
for the year ended 30 June 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	1	61,087	(52,488)
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities		<u>61,087</u>	<u>(52,488)</u>
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		61,087	(52,488)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		<u>166,983</u>	<u>219,471</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		<u><u>228,070</u></u>	<u><u>166,983</u></u>

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FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT
for the year ended 30 June 2025

1. RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2025	2024
	£	£
Net income/(expenditure) for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	54,743	(53,488)
Adjustments for:		
Increase in creditors	6,344	1,000
Net cash provided by/(used in) operations	<u>61,087</u>	<u>(52,488)</u>

2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 1.7.24	Cash flow	At 30.6.25
	£	£	£
Net cash			
Cash at bank	166,983	61,087	228,070
	<u>166,983</u>	<u>61,087</u>	<u>228,070</u>
Total	<u>166,983</u>	<u>61,087</u>	<u>228,070</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 30 June 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Going Concern

The trustees, having made appropriate enquiries, consider that adequate resources exist for the charity to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and that, therefore, it is appropriate to adopt going concern basis in preparing the financial statements as at and for the period ended 30 June 2025. The trustees have made this assessment in respect to a period of one year from the date of approval of these accounts.

The charity's bankers withdrew banking facilities in January 2026, and as a result the charity has paused its activities. The trustees have challenged this decision, and are in the process of arranging alternative banking facilities with another provider. The withdrawal of banking facilities could affect the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The trustees are confident that in due course banking facilities suitable to the charity's size and operations will be in place and that activities will resume.

The trustees have concluded that there are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The trustees are of the opinion that the charity will have sufficient resources to meet the liabilities as they fall due.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Where income has related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income), the income and related expenditure are reported gross in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Donations, grants and gifts are recognised when receivable. In the event that a donation is subject to fulfilling performance conditions before the charity is entitled to the funds, the income is deferred and not recognised until it is probable that those conditions will be fulfilled in the reporting period.

For legacies, entitlement is taken on a case by case basis as the earlier of the date on which: the charity is aware that probate has been granted, the estate has been finalised and notification has been made by the executor(s) to the charity that a distribution will be made, or when a distribution is received from the estate.

Receipt of a legacy, in whole or in part, is only considered probable when the amount can be measured reliably and the charity has been notified of the executor's intention to make a distribution. If the legacy is in the form of an asset other than cash or an asset listed on a recognised stock exchange, recognition is subject to the value of the asset being able to be reliably measured and title to the asset has passed to the charity. Where legacies have been notified to the charity or the charity is aware of the granting of probate, and the criteria for income recognition have not been met, then the legacy is treated as a contingent asset and disclosed if material.

Income received in advance for a future fundraising event or for a grant received relating to the following year are deferred until the criteria for income recognition are met.

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued **for the year ended 30 June 2025**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Expenditure

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

Grants payable are included in the period when any relevant conditions are met by the receiving entity. Payment of later instalments of a grant usually requires satisfactory progress reports from the project.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

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Raising funds

Raising funds includes all expenditure incurred by the charity to raise funds for its charitable purposes, and includes costs of all fundraising activities, events and non-charitable trading.

Charitable activities

Charitable activities comprise of grants payable in furtherance of the charitable objectives of the charity. Grants payable are included in the statement of financial activities when approved and when the intended recipient has either received the funds or been informed of the decision to make the donation and has satisfied all related conditions. Grants approved but not paid at the end of the financial year are accrued for.

Governance costs

Governance costs comprise those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and strategic requirements of the charity and the audit fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.

Allocation and apportionment of costs

Overhead and support costs relating to charitable activities have been apportioned based on usage.

Taxation

The company is considered to pass the tests set out in Sch. 6, para. 1 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the company is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Pt. 11, Ch. 3 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or s. 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds

General unrestricted funds comprise the accumulated surplus or deficit on income and expenditure account which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds

Restricted funds are the accumulation of all donations given to the charity and grants distributed. These are subject to restrictions of the donor. Under normal circumstances these restrictions will be honoured if they fall within the objects of the charity.

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the year ended 30 June 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand represents such accounts and instruments that are available on demand or have a maturity of less than three months from the date of acquisition. Deposits for more than three months but less than one year have been disclosed as short term deposits.

Creditors and provision

Creditors and provision are recognised when there is an obligation at the balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably. Creditors and provision are recognised at the moment the charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt. They have been discounted to the present value of the future cash payments where such discounting is material.

Debtors

Debtors are recognised at their settlement amount, less any provision for non-recoverability. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid. They have been discounted to be present value of the future cash receipt where such discounting is material.

Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value except for bank loans which are subsequently measured at the carrying value plus accrued interest less repayments. The financing charge to expenditure is at a constant rate calculated using the effective interest method.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2025	2024
	£	£
Donations	6,777,795	7,234,123

3. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

	2025	2024
	£	£
Fundraising costs	152,539	66,409

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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4. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Grant funding of activities (see note 5) £	Support costs (see note 6) £	Totals £
Provision of education and relief of poverty	6,546,318	24,195	6,570,513

5. GRANTS PAYABLE

	2025 £	2024 £
Provision of education and relief of poverty	6,546,318	7,200,400

Total grants paid to institutions during the year were as follows:

	2025 £
Agudat Yeshivat Machnifka Belz	80,770
Beis Hamidrash Admor Shlita	60,000
Building Fund Beitar Mikva	60,450
Building Fund Beth Shemesh	98,650
Chaburas Avreichim	53,700
Elad Mosdos	101,000
Ezer Leyoldos Beis Brocho Dechasidei Belz Machnovke	51,300
Heichalei Hakodesh	244,006
Hichel Ahoron Belz	50,925
Hicholei De'orayso	1,023,909
Hogei Torah	62,050
Kupat Hakohol	170,501
Kollel Boker Beitar	66,900
Kollel Erev Maharshal	52,200
Kollel Jerusalem	65,300
Kollel Wahlin	60,000
Maamodos	65,954
Mifal Michidudin	138,311
Mosdos Beth Shemesh	58,450
Orchos Chasidim	65,536
Reshet Hakollelim	71,600
Talmud Torah Bene Aharon Jerusalem	51,200
Trim Karno	52,274
Yeshiva Gedola Bene Berak	62,250
Yeshiva Ketana Bene Berak	58,275
Yeshiva MLT	52,750
Yeshivas Oholei Yissochor for Bachurei Anash	56,400
Grants less than £50,000	2,969,406
Total	6,004,067

Total grants paid to individuals during the year were as follows:

Provision of education and the relief of poverty	542,251
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FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the year ended 30 June 2025

5. GRANTS PAYABLE - continued

Total grants paid to institutions during the prior year were as follows:

	2024
	£
Agudos Yeshivas Belz Machnovke	65,744
Building Fund Beth Shemesh	63,500
Chasdei Yitzchok Keren Ezra Lemishpachos	52,950
Ezer Lesimchas Jerusalem	60,150
Heichalei Doraysa	1,540,560
Heichalei Hakodesh	249,274
Heichal Aharon Belz	55,000
Hogei Torah	63,250
Kipot Hakhol	88,054
Mifal Mechidudin	92,317
Maamodos	61,245
Mosdos Beth Shemesh	51,600
Orchot Chasidim	87,140
Kollel Jerusalem	74,900
Reshet Hakollelim	77,650
Synagogue D'Chasidei Belz 115	51,500
Talmud Torah Bene Aharon Jerusalem	53,860
Talmud Torah Beth Shemesh	56,673
Tarim Karno	68,019
Yeshiva Gedola Bene Berak	60,800
Yeshiva MLT	55,700
Yeshivas Oholei Yissochor for Bachurei Anash	67,100
Grants less than £50,000	3,650,951
Total	6,747,937

All grants were made to institutions and individuals are for activities whose objects are in line with the objects of the charity.

6. SUPPORT COSTS

	Finance	Governance	Totals
	£	costs	£
	£	£	£
Provision of education and relief of poverty	665	23,530	24,195

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

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7. AUDITORS' REMUNERATION

Auditors' remuneration for the year ended 30 June 2025 was £12,500.

Fees of £11,030 were paid to the auditors for non audit services.

8. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 June 2025 nor for the year ended 30 June 2024.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30 June 2025 nor for the year ended 30 June 2024.

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Other creditors	18,344	12,000

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.7.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.6.25 £
Restricted funds			
Restricted	154,983	54,743	209,726
TOTAL FUNDS	154,983	54,743	209,726

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Restricted funds			
Restricted	6,777,795	(6,723,052)	54,743
TOTAL FUNDS	6,777,795	(6,723,052)	54,743

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the year ended 30 June 2025

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.7.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.6.24 £
Restricted funds			
Restricted	208,471	(53,488)	154,983
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>208,471</u>	<u>(53,488)</u>	<u>154,983</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Restricted funds			
Restricted	7,234,123	(7,287,611)	(53,488)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>7,234,123</u>	<u>(7,287,611)</u>	<u>(53,488)</u>

Restricted funds

Restricted funds comprises amounts received during the year from donors in response to fundraising campaigns run by branches under the umbrella of the Belz Macnivka institutions in Israel and around the world. All the donations were applied in accordance with the donors' wishes, to causes which were in accordance with the objects of the charity, as specified in the Trustees' Report and primarily to support the charitable activities of the Mercaz Hatorah Belz Macnivka Institutions in the United Kingdom and Israel. Due to the large number of individual funds it is not practical to report on each fund activity. The balance of restricted funds at the year end were distributed shortly after the year end.

11. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

There were no contingent liabilities at either the beginning or end of the financial year.

12. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

At 30 June 2025 and 30 June 2024 the charity had no capital commitments which had been contracted for but not provided in the financial statements.

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

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13. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30 June 2025.

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

England & Wales - Charity number 1126075

Accounts

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024
FOR
FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

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FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

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FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES **for the year ended 30 June 2024**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The primary objective of the charity is to support the charitable activities of the Mercaz Hatorah Belz Macnivka institutions in Israel. Other charitable activities include the relief of poverty, hardship and distress within the United Kingdom and abroad, the advancement of Jewish education within the United Kingdom and abroad, and the advancement of the Orthodox Jewish religion within the United Kingdom and abroad.

The activities of the charity are to receive charitable donations to be applied towards the charity's stated objectives.

In furtherance of these objectives the charity:

- Provides bursaries to full time and part time students of the wider Mercaz Hatorah Belz Macnivka network of institutions;
- Provides grants to qualifying institutions who are involved in the furtherance of the Jewish Faith and in advancing Jewish Education;
- Provides grants and bursaries to qualifying needy families and individuals.

Public benefit

The trustees have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, and 'The Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit' in particular, when reviewing the aim and objectives and in planning the charity's future activities. The aims of the charitable company for the public benefit are detailed in the 'Objectives and Activities' section of this report and the main activities undertaken in order to carry out the charitable company's aims for the public benefit are outlined under 'Achievements and Performance' below.

Grantmaking

The charity principally supports the institutions of Belz Macnivka in the United Kingdom, Israel and around the world. The trustees are in regular contact with senior members of the institutions around the world who report on the activities of the institutions and on funding requirements.

Donations received are generally designated for specific causes within the Belz Macnivka network of institutions, however the trustees consider applications from the general public and seek to make donations which meet the charity's objectives and satisfy the principals set out within the Trust Deed. All applications are carefully considered and assistance provided according to circumstances and funds then available.

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES **for the year ended 30 June 2024**

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

During the year the charity received charitable donations in excess of £7.2m, all of which have been applied for charitable purposes. Funds continue to be accumulated in the short term to fund the construction and development of premises for use as a synagogue and community centre in Israel by the Belz Macnivka movement.

The charity is currently assisting with funding the purchase and construction of a new headquarters in Israel. Currently the costs of acquiring the land and developing the site have exceeded £36m. The total cost for this project is anticipated to be £45m. The expansion is necessary due to the convergence of followers from all over the world participating in the Jewish Holidays. Upwards of 1,000 followers spend the Jewish Festivals with the Rebbi. The trustees are pleased to report that as a result of the generosity of its supporters the lower two floors of the headquarters have been brought into use and that work is progressing steadily on the upper floors.

The Rabbinical leadership of the Belz institutions in Israel support and maintain a large network of educational, religious and communal facilities. Discretionary grants are also provided to needy families who face financial hardship. In addition, the Rebbi has an open door policy and he sees hundreds of people weekly who come to seek his counsel and his blessing. He holds several weekly gatherings, mainly on Saturdays which are attended by large crowds who draw inspiration from his teachings. In order to fund the activities of the institutions, regular collections are made from supporters worldwide.

The trustees are pleased to report that in the year under review, grants in excess of £7.2m were distributed to institutions and individuals in accordance with its grant making policy.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

The trustees have established the level of reserves (that is those funds that are freely available) that the charity ought to have. Reserves are needed to bridge the funding gaps between spending on activities and receiving resources through voluntary donations. The trustees consider that the ideal level of reserves as at 30 June 2024 would be about one to two month's expenditure. However, the charity is operated as a grant giving charity, and the trustees' policy is to seek to distribute the bulk of the income arising in each financial year as it becomes available.

Restricted reserves at the year end were £154,983 (2023: £208,471).

Whilst the charity does not have any financial commitments, the trustees are actively pursuing sources of funding in order to ensure that there are sufficient reserves to provide financial stability and flexibility.

Financial results

The financial results for the year to 30 June 2024 are shown in the attached financial statements.

Total income for the year decreased from £7,492,213 to £7,234,123, Total expenditure decreased from £7,872,039 to £7,287,611 in comparison with the previous period. There was a net decrease in funds of £53,488 with total funds carried forward of £154,983 (2023: £208,471).

FUTURE PLANS

Friends of Mercaz Hatorah Belz Macnivka will continue to support the charitable institutions within the wider network of the Belz Macnivka movement as well as other charitable causes which are in line with its Objects.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES **for the year ended 30 June 2024**

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Trustees may be appointed by the existing trustees at any time, either to fill a casual vacancy or as an addition to the existing trustees. Any trustees so appointed will hold office only until the next Annual General Meeting and will then be eligible for re-election.

No trustee had any beneficial interest in any contract with the charitable entity during the year.

Potential trustees are invited to informally attend trustee meetings prior to appointment and a comprehensive induction programme is available. Additionally individual trustees may undertake external training in a particular area of their role on the Governing Body.

Organisational structure

The board of trustees administers the charity. The board meets quarterly.

Induction and training of new trustees

The charitable entity strives to ensure equal opportunities and diversity in the employment of staff and trustee appointments. Selection criteria and procedures are regularly reviewed to ensure that individuals are selected, promoted and treated on the basis of their relevant merits and abilities.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

Fundraising

The charity has a good reputation within the local community and has a large pool of regular donors who wish to have a part in the charitable activities of the charity. Existing donors often recommend and encourage other philanthropists to pledge their support to the success of the charity.

The charity is committed to the principals set out by the Fundraising Regulator in its Code of Fundraising Practice. When donors are approached, this is done with sensitivity and respect and with regard to their circumstances.

The trustees are pleased to report that no complaints were received in the past twelve months in relation to its fundraising activities.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1126075

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Trustees

Mrs G Krautwirt
E Y Brander
M Lieber

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FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
for the year ended 30 June 2024

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees 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, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed 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, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity 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;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to 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.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on and signed on its behalf by:

.....
Mrs G Krautwirt - Trustee

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Friends of Mercaz Hatorah Belz Macnivka (the 'charity') for the year ended 30 June 2024 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, 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 (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 June 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 Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the 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 trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the financial statements and our Report of the Independent Auditors thereon.

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.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, 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 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 where the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

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

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements which 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 liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditors under Section 144 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 a Report of the Independent Auditors 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:

Our approach to identifying and assessing the risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, was as follows:

- the engagement partner ensured that the engagement team collectively had the appropriate competence, capabilities and skills to identify or recognise non-compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- we identified the laws and regulations applicable to the charitable company through discussions with management and from our commercial knowledge and experience of the sector Friends of Mercaz Hatorah Belz Macnivka belongs to;
- we focused on specific laws and regulations which we considered may have a direct material effect on the financial statements or the operations of the association, including the Charities Act 2011, Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019), Trustees Act, Bribery Act and data protection;
- we assessed the extent of compliance with the laws and regulations identified above through making enquiries of management and inspecting legal correspondence; and
- identified laws and regulations were communicated within the audit team regularly and the team remained alert to instances of non-compliance throughout the audit.

We assessed the susceptibility of the charity's financial statements to material misstatement, including obtaining an understanding of how fraud might occur, by:

- making enquiries of management as to where they considered there was susceptibility to fraud, their knowledge of actual, suspected and alleged fraud; and
- considering the internal controls in place to mitigate risks of fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, including the ones that ensure that the grants are used for intended purposes.

To address the risk of fraud through management bias and override of controls, we:

- performed analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships;
- tested journal entries to identify unusual transactions;
- assessed whether judgements and assumptions made in determining the accounting estimates were indicative of potential bias; and
- investigated the rationale behind significant or unusual transactions.

In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations, we designed procedures which included, but were not limited to:

- agreeing financial statement disclosures to underlying supporting documentation;
- reading the minutes of meetings of those charged with governance;
- enquiring of management as to actual and potential litigation and claims.

There are inherent limitations in our audit procedures described above. The more removed that laws and regulations are from financial transactions, the less likely it is that we would become aware of non-compliance. Auditing standards also limit the audit procedures required to identify non-compliance with laws and regulations to enquiry of the trustees and other management and the inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any.

Material misstatements that arise due to fraud can be harder to detect than those that arise from error as they may involve deliberate concealment or collusion.

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Report of the Independent Auditors.

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 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 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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Date:

Xeinadin Audit Limited is eligible to act as an auditor in terms of Section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the year ended 30 June 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted fund £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	-	7,234,123	7,234,123	7,492,213
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EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds	3	-	66,409	66,409	145,229
Charitable activities	4				
Provision of education and relief of poverty		-	7,221,202	7,221,202	7,726,810
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Total		-	7,287,611	7,287,611	7,872,039
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NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		-	(53,488)	(53,488)	(379,826)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		-	208,471	208,471	588,297
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TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		-	154,983	154,983	208,471
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The notes form part of these financial statements

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

BALANCE SHEET
30 June 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted fund £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank		-	166,983	166,983	219,471
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	9	-	(12,000)	(12,000)	(11,000)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>-</u>	<u>154,983</u>	<u>154,983</u>	<u>208,471</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		-	154,983	154,983	208,471
NET ASSETS		<u>-</u>	<u>154,983</u>	<u>154,983</u>	<u>208,471</u>
FUNDS	10				
Restricted funds				<u>154,983</u>	<u>208,471</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>154,983</u>	<u>208,471</u>

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

.....
G Krautwirt - Trustee

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

CASH FLOW STATEMENT
for the year ended 30 June 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	1	<u>(52,488)</u>	<u>(377,826)</u>
Net cash used in operating activities		<u>(52,488)</u>	<u>(377,826)</u>
		_____	_____
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		(52,488)	(377,826)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		<u>219,471</u>	<u>597,297</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		<u><u>166,983</u></u>	<u><u>219,471</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT
for the year ended 30 June 2024

1. RECONCILIATION OF NET EXPENDITURE TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	2024	2023
	£	£
Net expenditure for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	(53,488)	(379,826)
Adjustments for:		
Increase in creditors	1,000	2,000
Net cash used in operations	<u>(52,488)</u>	<u>(377,826)</u>

2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 1.7.23	Cash flow	At 30.6.24
	£	£	£
Net cash			
Cash at bank	219,471	(52,488)	166,983
	<u>219,471</u>	<u>(52,488)</u>	<u>166,983</u>
Total	<u>219,471</u>	<u>(52,488)</u>	<u>166,983</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 30 June 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Where income has related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income), the income and related expenditure are reported gross in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Donations, grants and gifts are recognised when receivable. In the event that a donation is subject to fulfilling performance conditions before the charity is entitled to the funds, the income is deferred and not recognised until it is probable that those conditions will be fulfilled in the reporting period. Income from Gift Aid tax reclaims is recognised for any donations with relevant Gift Aid certificates recognised in income for the year. Any amounts of Gift Aid not received by the year-end are accounted for in income and accrued income in debtors.

For legacies, entitlement is taken on a case by case basis as the earlier of the date on which: the charity is aware that probate has been granted, the estate has been finalised and notification has been made by the executor(s) to the charity that a distribution will be made, or when a distribution is received from the estate.

Receipt of a legacy, in whole or in part, is only considered probable when the amount can be measured reliably and the charity has been notified of the executor's intention to make a distribution. If the legacy is in the form of an asset other than cash or an asset listed on a recognised stock exchange, recognition is subject to the value of the asset being able to be reliably measured and title to the asset has passed to the charity. Where legacies have been notified to the or the charity is aware of the granting of probate, and the criteria for income recognition have not been met, then the legacy is treated as a contingent asset and disclosed if material.

Income received in advance for a future fundraising event or for a grant received relating to the following year are deferred until the criteria for income recognition are met.

Going concern

The trustees, having made appropriate enquiries, consider that adequate resources exists for the charity to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and that, therefore, it is appropriate to adopt going concern basis in preparing the financial statements as at and for the period ended 30 June 2024. The trustees have made this assessment in respect to a period of one year from the date of approval of these accounts.

The trustees have concluded that there are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The trustees are of the opinion that the charity will have sufficient resources to meet the liabilities as they fall due.

Expenditure

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

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the year ended 30 June 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Expenditure

Grants payable are included in the period when any relevant conditions are met by the receiving entity. Payment of later instalments of a grant usually requires satisfactory progress reports from the project.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

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Raising funds

Raising funds includes all expenditure incurred by the charity to raise funds for its charitable purposes and includes costs of all fundraising activities, events and non-charitable trading.

Charitable activities

Charitable activities comprise of grants payable in furtherance of the charitable objectives of the charity. Grants payable are included in the statement of financial activities when approved and when the intended recipient has either received the funds or been informed of the decision to make the donation and has satisfied all related conditions. Grants approved but not paid at the end of the financial year are accrued for.

Governance costs

Governance costs comprise those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and strategic requirements of the charity and the audit fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.

Allocation and apportionment of costs

Overhead and support costs relating to charitable activities have been apportioned based on usage.

Taxation

The company is considered to pass the tests set out in Sch. 6, para. 1 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the company is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Pt. 11, Ch. 3 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or s. 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds

General unrestricted funds comprise the accumulated surplus or deficit on income and expenditure account which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds

Restricted funds are the accumulation of all donations given to the charity and grants distributed. These are subject to restrictions of the donor. Under normal circumstances these restrictions will be honoured if they fall within the objects of the charity.

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand represents such accounts and instruments that are available on demand or have a maturity of less than three months from the date of acquisition. Deposits for more than three months but less than one year have been disclosed as short term deposits.

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the year ended 30 June 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Creditors and provision

Creditors and provision are recognised when there is an obligation at the balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably. Creditors and provision are recognised at the moment the charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt. They have been discounted to the present value of the future cash payments where such discounting is material.

Debtors

Debtors are recognised at their settlement amount, less any provision for non-recoverability. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid. They have been discounted to be present value of the future cash receipt where such discounting is material.

Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value except for bank loans which are subsequently measured at the carrying value plus accrued interest less repayments. The financing charge to expenditure is at a constant rate calculated using the effective interest method.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Donations	7,234,123	7,492,213

3. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

	2024	2023
	£	£
Fundraising costs	66,409	145,229

4. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Grant funding of activities (see note 5)	Support costs (see note 6)	Totals
	£	£	£
Provision of education and relief of poverty	7,200,400	20,802	7,221,202

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the year ended 30 June 2024

5. GRANTS PAYABLE

	2024	2023
	£	£
Provision of education and relief of poverty	7,200,400	7,709,890

Total grants paid to institutions during the year were as follows:

	2024
	£
Agudos Yeshivas Belz Machnovke	65,744
Building Fund Beth Shemesh	63,500
Chasdei Yitzchok Keren Ezra Lemishpachos	52,950
Ezer Lesimchas Jerusalem	60,150
Heichalei Doraysa	1,540,560
Heichalei Hakodesh	249,274
Heichal Aharon Belz	55,000
Hogei Torah	63,250
Kipot Hakhol	88,054
Mifal Mechidudin	92,317
Maamodos	61,245
Mosdos Beth Shemesh	51,600
Orchot Chasidim	87,140
Kollel Jerusalem	74,900
Reshet Hakollelim	77,650
Synagogue D'Chasidei Belz 115	51,500
Talmud Torah Bene Aharon Jerusalem	53,860
Talmud Torah Beth Shemesh	56,673
Tarim Karno	68,019
Yeshiva Gedola Bene Berak	60,800
Yeshiva MLT	55,700
Yeshivas Oholei Yissochor for Bachurei Anash	67,100
Grants less than £50,000	3,650,951
Total	6,747,937

Total grants paid to individuals during the year were as follows:

Provision of education and the relief of poverty	452,463
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Total grants paid to institutions during the prior year were as follows:

	2023
	£
Bnos Melochim	800,000
Hachnosas Orchim Tishrei Machnovke	51,000
Heichalei Doraysa	1,395,945
Heichalei Hakodesh	179,195
Kupas Hakohol Machnovke Belz	136,420
Lishmor Chukotav	52,000
Maamodos	51,650
Mifal Hachessed Vehatzdokoh	96,750
Mifal Mechudodin Vetalmudo Beyodo	121,254
Orchos Chasidim	94,059
Sefer Hatzolah Publication	53,500

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the year ended 30 June 2024

5. GRANTS PAYABLE - continued

Torim Karno Amuta	108,731
Grants less than £50,000	3,990,851
Total	7,131,355

All grants were made to institutions and for activities whose objects are in line with the objects of the charity.

6. SUPPORT COSTS

	Finance	Governance	Totals
	£	costs	£
Provision of education and relief of poverty	722	20,080	20,802

7. AUDITORS' REMUNERATION

Auditors' remuneration for the year ended 30 June 2024 was £12,000.

Fees of £8,080 were paid to the auditors for non audit services.

8. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 June 2024 nor for the year ended 30 June 2023.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30 June 2024 nor for the year ended 30 June 2023.

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other creditors	12,000	11,000

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.7.23	Net	At
	£	movement	30.6.24
		in funds	£
Restricted funds			
Restricted	208,471	(53,488)	154,983
TOTAL FUNDS	208,471	(53,488)	154,983

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the year ended 30 June 2024

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Restricted funds			
Restricted	7,234,123	(7,287,611)	(53,488)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>7,234,123</u>	<u>(7,287,611)</u>	<u>(53,488)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.7.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.6.23 £
Restricted funds			
Restricted	588,297	(379,826)	208,471
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>588,297</u>	<u>(379,826)</u>	<u>208,471</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Restricted funds			
Restricted	7,492,213	(7,872,039)	(379,826)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>7,492,213</u>	<u>(7,872,039)</u>	<u>(379,826)</u>

Restricted funds

Restricted funds comprises amounts received during the year from donors in response to fundraising campaigns run by branches under the umbrella of the Belz Macnivka institutions in Israel. All the donations were applied in accordance with the donors wishes. All the donations were applied to causes which were in accordance with the objects of the charity, as specified in the Trustees' Report and primarily to support the charitable activities of the Mercaz Hatorah Belz Macnivka Institutions in Israel. Due to the large number of individual funds it is not practical to report on each fund activity. The balance of restricted funds at the year end were distributed shortly after the year end.

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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11. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

There were no contingent liabilities at either the beginning or end of the financial year.

12. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

At 30 June 2024 and 30 June 2023 the charity had no capital commitments which had been contracted for but not provided in the financial statements.

13. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30 June 2024.

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

England & Wales - Charity number 1126075

Accounts

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023
FOR
FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

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FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

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FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES **for the year ended 30 June 2023**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The primary objective of the charity is to support the charitable activities of the Mercaz Hatorah Belz Macnivka institutions in Israel. Other charitable activities include the relief of poverty, hardship and distress within the United Kingdom and abroad, the advancement of Jewish education within the United Kingdom and abroad, and the advancement of the Orthodox Jewish religion within the United Kingdom and abroad.

The activities of the charity are to receive charitable donations to be applied towards the charity's stated objectives.

In furtherance of these objectives the charity:

- Provides bursaries to full time and part time students of the wider Mercaz Hatorah Belz Macnivka network of institutions;
- Provides grants to qualifying institutions who are involved in the furtherance of the Jewish Faith and in advancing Jewish Education;
- Provides grants and bursaries to qualifying needy families and individuals.

Public benefit

The trustees have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, and 'The Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit' in particular, when reviewing the aim and objectives and in planning the charity's future activities. The aims of the charitable company for the public benefit are detailed in the 'Objectives and Activities' section of this report and the main activities undertaken in order to carry out the charitable company's aims for the public benefit are outlined under 'Achievements and Performance' below.

Grantmaking

The charity principally supports the institutions of Belz Macnivka in the United Kingdom, Israel and around the world. The trustees are in regular contact with senior members of the institutions around the world who report on the activities of the institutions and on funding requirements.

Donations received are generally designated for specific causes within the Belz Macnivka network of institutions, however the trustees consider applications from the general public and seek to make donations which meet the charity's objectives and satisfy the principals set out within the Trust Deed. All applications are carefully considered and assistance provided according to circumstances and funds then available.

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES **for the year ended 30 June 2023**

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

During the year the charity received charitable donations in excess of £6.7m, all of which have been applied for charitable purposes. Funds continue to be accumulated in the short term to fund the construction and development of premises for use as a synagogue and community centre in Israel by the Belz Macnivka movement.

The charity is currently assisting with funding the purchase and construction of a new headquarters in Israel. Currently the costs of acquiring the land and developing the site have exceeded £32m. The total cost for this project is anticipated to be £40m. The expansion is necessary due to the convergence of followers from all over the world participating in the Jewish Holidays. Upwards of 1,000 followers spend the Jewish Festivals with the Rebbi. The trustees are pleased to report that as a result of the generosity of its supporters the lower two floors of the headquarters have been brought into use and that work is progressing steadily on the upper floors.

The Rabbinical leadership of the Belz institutions in Israel support and maintain a large network of educational, religious and communal facilities. Discretionary grants are also provided to needy families who face financial hardship. In addition, the Rebbi has an open door policy and he sees hundreds of people weekly who come to seek his counsel and his blessing. He holds several weekly gatherings, mainly on Saturdays which are attended by large crowds who draw inspiration from his teachings. In order to fund the activities of the institutions, regular collections are made from supporters worldwide.

The trustees are pleased to report that in the year under review, grants in excess of £7.7m were distributed to institutions and individuals in accordance with its grant making policy.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

The trustees have established the level of reserves (that is those funds that are freely available) that the charity ought to have. Reserves are needed to bridge the funding gaps between spending on activities and receiving resources through voluntary donations. The trustees consider that the ideal level of reserves as at 30 June 2023 would be about one to two month's expenditure. However, the charity is operated as a grant giving charity, and the trustees' policy is to seek to distribute the bulk of the income arising in each financial year as it becomes available.

Restricted reserves at the year end were £208,471 (2022: £588,297).

Whilst the charity does not have any financial commitments, the trustees are actively pursuing sources of funding in order to ensure that there are sufficient reserves to provide financial stability and flexibility.

Financial results

The financial results for the year to 30 June 2023 are shown in the attached financial statements.

Total income for the year decreased from £8,895,705 to £7,492,213. Total expenditure decreased from £8,541,305 to £7,872,810 in comparison with the previous period. There was a net decrease in funds of £379,826 with total funds carried forward of £208,471 (2022: £588,297).

FUTURE PLANS

Friends of Mercaz Hatorah Belz Macnivka will continue to support the charitable institutions within the wider network of the Belz Macnivka movement as well as other charitable causes which are in line with its Objects.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
for the year ended 30 June 2023

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Trustees may be appointed by the existing trustees at any time, either to fill a casual vacancy or as an addition to the existing trustees. Any trustees so appointed will hold office only until the next Annual General Meeting and will then be eligible for re-election.

No trustee had any beneficial interest in any contract with the charitable entity during the year.

Potential trustees are invited to informally attend trustee meetings prior to appointment and a comprehensive induction programme is available. Additionally individual trustees may undertake external training in a particular area of their role on the Governing Body.

Organisational structure

The board of trustees administers the charity. The board meets quarterly.

Induction and training of new trustees

The charitable entity strives to ensure equal opportunities and diversity in the employment of staff and trustee appointments. Selection criteria and procedures are regularly reviewed to ensure that individuals are selected, promoted and treated on the basis of their relevant merits and abilities.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

Fundraising

The charity has a good reputation within the local community and has a large pool of regular donors who wish to have a part in the charitable activities of the charity. Existing donors often recommend and encourage other philanthropists to pledge their support to the success of the charity.

The charity is committed to the principals set out by the Fundraising Regulator in its Code of Fundraising Practice. When donors are approached, this is done with sensitivity and respect and with regard to their circumstances.

The trustees are pleased to report that no complaints were received in the past twelve months in relation to its fundraising activities.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1126075

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Trustees

Mrs G Krautwirt
E Y Brander
M Lieber

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
for the year ended 30 June 2023

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Auditors

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees 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, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed 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, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity 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;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to 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.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 18 April 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Mrs G Krautwirt - Trustee

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Friends of Mercaz Hatorah Belz Macnivka (the 'charity') for the year ended 30 June 2023 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, 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 (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 June 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 Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the 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 trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the financial statements and our Report of the Independent Auditors thereon.

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.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, 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 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 where the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

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

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements which 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 liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditors under Section 144 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 a Report of the Independent Auditors 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:

Our approach to identifying and assessing the risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, was as follows:

- the engagement partner ensured that the engagement team collectively had the appropriate competence, capabilities and skills to identify or recognise non-compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- we identified the laws and regulations applicable to the charitable company through discussions with management and from our commercial knowledge and experience of the sector Friends of Mercaz Hatorah Belz Macnivka belongs to;
- we focused on specific laws and regulations which we considered may have a direct material effect on the financial statements or the operations of the association, including the Charities Act 2011, Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019), Trustees Act, Bribery Act and data protection;
- we assessed the extent of compliance with the laws and regulations identified above through making enquiries of management and inspecting legal correspondence; and
- identified laws and regulations were communicated within the audit team regularly and the team remained alert to instances of non-compliance throughout the audit.

We assessed the susceptibility of the charity's financial statements to material misstatement, including obtaining an understanding of how fraud might occur, by:

- making enquiries of management as to where they considered there was susceptibility to fraud, their knowledge of actual, suspected and alleged fraud; and
- considering the internal controls in place to mitigate risks of fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, including the ones that ensure that the grants are used for intended purposes.

To address the risk of fraud through management bias and override of controls, we:

- performed analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships;
- tested journal entries to identify unusual transactions;
- assessed whether judgements and assumptions made in determining the accounting estimates were indicative of potential bias; and
- investigated the rationale behind significant or unusual transactions.

In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations, we designed procedures which included, but were not limited to:

- agreeing financial statement disclosures to underlying supporting documentation;
- reading the minutes of meetings of those charged with governance;
- enquiring of management as to actual and potential litigation and claims.

There are inherent limitations in our audit procedures described above. The more removed that laws and regulations are from financial transactions, the less likely it is that we would become aware of non-compliance. Auditing standards also limit the audit procedures required to identify non-compliance with laws and regulations to enquiry of the trustees and other management and the inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any.

Material misstatements that arise due to fraud can be harder to detect than those that arise from error as they may involve deliberate concealment or collusion.

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Report of the Independent Auditors.

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 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 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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18 April 2024

Raffingers LLP is eligible to act as an auditor in terms of Section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

for the year ended 30 June 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted fund £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	-	7,492,213	7,492,213	8,895,705
		-----	-----	-----	-----
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds	3	-	145,229	145,229	48,000
Charitable activities	4				
Provision of education and relief of poverty		-	7,726,810	7,726,810	8,493,305
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Total		-	7,872,039	7,872,039	8,541,305
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NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		-	(379,826)	(379,826)	354,400
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		-	588,297	588,297	233,897
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TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		-	208,471	208,471	588,297
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The notes form part of these financial statements

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

BALANCE SHEET

30 June 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted fund £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank		-	219,471	219,471	597,297
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	9	-	(11,000)	(11,000)	(9,000)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>-</u>	<u>208,471</u>	<u>208,471</u>	<u>588,297</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		-	208,471	208,471	588,297
NET ASSETS		<u>-</u>	<u>208,471</u>	<u>208,471</u>	<u>588,297</u>
FUNDS	10				
Restricted funds				<u>208,471</u>	<u>588,297</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>208,471</u>	<u>588,297</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 18 April 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

G Krautwirt - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

CASH FLOW STATEMENT
for the year ended 30 June 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	1	(377,826)	355,000
Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities		<u>(377,826)</u>	<u>355,000</u>
		—————	—————
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		(377,826)	355,000
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		<u>597,297</u>	<u>242,297</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		<u><u>219,471</u></u>	<u><u>597,297</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT

for the year ended 30 June 2023

1. RECONCILIATION OF NET (EXPENDITURE)/INCOME TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2023	2022
	£	£
Net (expenditure)/income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	(379,826)	354,400
Adjustments for:		
Increase in creditors	2,000	600
Net cash (used in)/provided by operations	<u>(377,826)</u>	<u>355,000</u>

2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 1.7.22	Cash flow	At 30.6.23
	£	£	£
Net cash			
Cash at bank	597,297	(377,826)	219,471
	<u>597,297</u>	<u>(377,826)</u>	<u>219,471</u>
Total	<u>597,297</u>	<u>(377,826)</u>	<u>219,471</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 30 June 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Where income has related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income), the income and related expenditure are reported gross in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Donations, grants and gifts are recognised when receivable. In the event that a donation is subject to fulfilling performance conditions before the charity is entitled to the funds, the income is deferred and not recognised until it is probable that those conditions will be fulfilled in the reporting period. Income from Gift Aid tax reclaims is recognised for any donations with relevant Gift Aid certificates recognised in income for the year. Any amounts of Gift Aid not received by the year-end are accounted for in income and accrued income in debtors.

For legacies, entitlement is taken on a case by case basis as the earlier of the date on which: the charity is aware that probate has been granted, the estate has been finalised and notification has been made by the executor(s) to the charity that a distribution will be made, or when a distribution is received from the estate.

Receipt of a legacy, in whole or in part, is only considered probable when the amount can be measured reliably and the charity has been notified of the executor's intention to make a distribution. If the legacy is in the form of an asset other than cash or an asset listed on a recognised stock exchange, recognition is subject to the value of the asset being able to be reliably measured and title to the asset has passed to the charity. Where legacies have been notified to the or the charity is aware of the granting of probate, and the criteria for income recognition have not been met, then the legacy is treated as a contingent asset and disclosed if material.

Income received in advance for a future fundraising event or for a grant received relating to the following year are deferred until the criteria for income recognition are met.

Going concern

The trustees, having made appropriate enquiries, consider that adequate resources exist for the charity to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and that, therefore, it is appropriate to adopt going concern basis in preparing the financial statements as at and for the period ended 30 June 2023. The trustees have made this assessment in respect to a period of one year from the date of approval of these accounts.

The trustees have concluded that there are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The trustees are of the opinion that the charity will have sufficient resources to meet the liabilities as they fall due.

Expenditure

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

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the year ended 30 June 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Expenditure

Grants payable are included in the period when any relevant conditions are met by the receiving entity. Payment of later instalments of a grant usually requires satisfactory progress reports from the project.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

Raising funds

Raising funds includes all expenditure incurred by the charity to raise funds for its charitable purposes and includes costs of all fundraising activities, events and non-charitable trading.

Charitable activities

Charitable activities comprise of grants payable in furtherance of the charitable objectives of the charity. Grants payable are included in the statement of financial activities when approved and when the intended recipient has either received the funds or been informed of the decision to make the donation and has satisfied all related conditions. Grants approved but not paid at the end of the financial year are accrued for.

Governance costs

Governance costs comprise those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and strategic requirements of the charity and the audit fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.

Allocation and apportionment of costs

Overhead and support costs relating to charitable activities have been apportioned based on usage.

Taxation

The company is considered to pass the tests set out in Sch. 6, para. 1 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the company is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Pt. 11, Ch. 3 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or s. 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds

General unrestricted funds comprise the accumulated surplus or deficit on income and expenditure account which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds

Restricted funds are the accumulation of all donations given to the charity and grants distributed. These are subject to restrictions of the donor. Under normal circumstances these restrictions will be honoured if they fall within the objects of the charity.

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand represents such accounts and instruments that are available on demand or have a maturity of less than three months from the date of acquisition. Deposits for more than three months but less than one year have been disclosed as short term deposits.

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the year ended 30 June 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Creditors and provision

Creditors and provision are recognised when there is an obligation at the balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably. Creditors and provision are recognised at the moment the charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt. They have been discounted to the present value of the future cash payments where such discounting is material.

Debtors

Debtors are recognised at their settlement amount, less any provision for non-recoverability. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid. They have been discounted to be present value of the future cash receipt where such discounting is material.

Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value except for bank loans which are subsequently measured at the carrying value plus accrued interest less repayments. The financing charge to expenditure is at a constant rate calculated using the effective interest method.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2023	2022
	£	£
Donations	7,492,213	8,895,705

3. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

	2023	2022
	£	£
Fundraising costs	145,229	48,000

4. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Grant funding of activities (see note 5)	Support costs (see note 6)	Totals
	£	£	£
Provision of education and relief of poverty	7,709,890	16,920	7,726,810

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the year ended 30 June 2023

5. GRANTS PAYABLE

	2023	2022
	£	£
Provision of education and relief of poverty	7,709,890	8,480,511

Total grants paid to institutions during the year were as follows:

	2023
	£
Bnos Melochim	800,000
Hachnosas Orchim Tishrei Machnovke	51,000
Heichalei Doraysa	1,395,945
Heichalei Hakodesh	179,195
Kupas Hakohol Machnovke Belz	136,420
Lishmor Chukotav	52,000
Maamodos Rebbe	51,650
Mifal Hachessed Vehatzdokoh	96,750
Mifal Mechudodin Vetalmudo Beyodo	121,254
Orchos Chasidim	94,059
Sefer Hatzolah Publication	53,500
Torim Karno Amuta	108,731
Grants less than £50,000	3,990,851
Total	7,131,355

Total grants paid to individuals during the year were as follows:

Provision of education and the relief of poverty	578,535
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No single grant to an individual was higher than £15,000.

Total grants paid to institutions during the prior year were as follows:

	2022
	£
Beis Aharon TT Activity Centre	67,750
Agudos Yeshivas Belz Machnovke	54,250
Beis Hamedrash Kedushas Aharon	56,500
Beis Havaad Jerusalem	51,046
Belz Machnivka	91,822
Bezel Hachochma	135,600
Building Fund Beitar Mikva	58,000
Building Fund Beth Shemesh	54,250
Chasdei Yitzchok Keren Ezra Lemishpachos	50,300
Huos	79,265
Ezer Leyoldos Beis Brocho Dechasidei Belz Machnovke	50,600
Heichalei Hakodesh	521,314
Heichel Ahron	66,778
Hogei Torah	121,700
Kimche Depische	50,000
Kollel Beis Yosef Meir	53,181
Kollel in Yeshiva	61,912
Lishmor Chukotav	139,581
Maamodos	66,000
Mechudodin	99,565

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the year ended 30 June 2023

5. GRANTS PAYABLE - continued

Mosdos Beth Shemesh	59,800
Mosdos Jerusalem	60,681
North London Welfare and Educational Foundation	57,000
Orchot Chasidim	59,003
Rechov Bruchim Synagogue	55,350
Reshet Hakollelim	60,200
Talmud Torah Bene Aharon	143,995
Talmud Torah Heichal Aharon Bene Berak	53,850
Yeshiva Gedola Bene Berak	65,400
Yeshiva Ketana Bene Berak	57,700
Yeshiva Ketane Elad	59,901
Grants less than £50,000	4,376,750
Grants to individuals	1,441,467
Total	<u>8,480,511</u>

All grants were made to institutions and for activities whose objects are in line with the objects of the charity.

6. SUPPORT COSTS

	Finance	Governance	Totals
	£	costs £	£
Provision of education and relief of poverty	<u>1,020</u>	<u>15,900</u>	<u>16,920</u>

7. AUDITORS' REMUNERATION

Auditors' remuneration for the year ended 30 June 2023 was £11,000.

Fees of £2,000 were paid to the auditors for non audit services.

8. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 June 2023 nor for the year ended 30 June 2022.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30 June 2023 nor for the year ended 30 June 2022.

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the year ended 30 June 2023

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023	2022
	£	£
Other creditors	11,000	9,000

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.7.22	Net movement in funds	At 30.6.23
	£	£	£
Restricted funds			
Restricted	588,297	(379,826)	208,471
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>588,297</u>	<u>(379,826)</u>	<u>208,471</u>

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

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Restricted funds			
Restricted	7,492,213	(7,872,039)	(379,826)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>7,492,213</u>	<u>(7,872,039)</u>	<u>(379,826)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.7.21	Net movement in funds	At 30.6.22
	£	£	£
Restricted funds			
Restricted	233,897	354,400	588,297
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>233,897</u>	<u>354,400</u>	<u>588,297</u>

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

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Restricted funds			
Restricted	8,895,705	(8,541,305)	354,400
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>8,895,705</u>	<u>(8,541,305)</u>	<u>354,400</u>

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the year ended 30 June 2023

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Restricted funds

Restricted funds comprises amounts received during the year from donors in response to fundraising campaigns run by branches under the umbrella of the Belz Macnivka institutions in Israel. All the donations were applied in accordance with the donors wishes. All the donations were applied to causes which were in accordance with the objects of the charity, as specified in the Trustees' Report and primarily to support the charitable activities of the Mercaz Hatorah Belz Macnivka Institutions in Israel. Due to the large number of individual funds it is not practical to report on each fund activity. The balance of restricted funds at the year end were distributed shortly after the year end.

11. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

There were no contingent liabilities at either the beginning or end of the financial year.

12. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

At 30 June 2023 and 30 June 2022 the charity had no capital commitments which had been contracted for but not provided in the financial statements.

13. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30 June 2023.

14. AUDITOR LIABILITY LIMITATION AGREEMENT

The charity has entered into a liability limitation agreement with Raffingers, the statutory auditor, on 2 June 2023, in respect of the statutory audit for the year ended 30 June 2023. The proportionate liability agreement follows the standard terms in Appendix B to the Financial Reporting Council's June 2008 Guidance on Auditor Liability Agreements.

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

England & Wales - Charity number 1126075

Accounts

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022
FOR
FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

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FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

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FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES **for the year ended 30 June 2022**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2022. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The primary objective of the charity is to support the charitable activities of the Mercaz Hatorah Belz Macnivka institutions in Israel. Other charitable activities include the relief of poverty, hardship and distress within the United Kingdom and abroad, the advancement of Jewish education within the United Kingdom and abroad, and the advancement of the Orthodox Jewish religion within the United Kingdom and abroad.

The activities of the charity are to receive charitable donations to be applied towards the charity's stated objectives.

In furtherance of these objectives the charity:

- Provides bursaries to full time and part time students of the wider Mercaz Hatorah Belz Macnivka network of institutions;
- Provides grants to qualifying institutions who are involved in the furtherance of the Jewish Faith and in advancing Jewish Education;
- Provides grants and bursaries to qualifying needy families and individuals.

Public benefit

The trustees have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, and 'The Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit' in particular, when reviewing the aim and objectives and in planning the charity's future activities. The aims of the charitable company for the public benefit are detailed in the 'Objectives and Activities' section of this report and the main activities undertaken in order to carry out the charitable company's aims for the public benefit are outlined under 'Achievements and Performance' below.

Grantmaking

The charity principally supports the institutions of Belz Macnivka in the United Kingdom, Israel and around the world. The trustees are in regular contact with senior members of the institutions around the world who report on the activities of the institutions and on funding requirements.

Donations received are generally designated for specific causes within the Belz Macnivka network of institutions, however the trustees consider applications from the general public and seek to make donations which meet the charity's objectives and satisfy the principals set out within the Trust Deed. All applications are carefully considered and assistance provided according to circumstances and funds then available.

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES **for the year ended 30 June 2022**

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

During the year the charity received charitable donations in excess of £8.8m, all of which have been applied for charitable purposes. Funds continue to be accumulated in the short term to fund the construction and development of premises for use as a synagogue and community centre in Israel by the Belz Macnivka movement.

The charity is currently assisting with funding the purchase and construction of a new headquarters in Israel. Currently the costs of acquiring the land and developing the site have exceeded £27m. The total cost for this project is anticipated to be £35m. The expansion is necessary due to the convergence of followers from all over the world participating in the Jewish Holidays. As many as 500 - 1,000 followers spend the Jewish Festivals with the Rebbi. The trustees are pleased to report that as a result of the generosity of its supporters the lower two floors of the headquarters have been brought into use and that work is progressing steadily on the upper floors.

The Rabbinical leadership of the Belz institutions in Israel support and maintain a large network of educational, religious and communal facilities. Discretionary grants are also provided to needy families who face financial hardship. In addition, the Rebbi has an open door policy and he sees hundreds of people weekly who come to seek his counsel and his blessing. He holds several weekly gatherings, mainly on Saturdays which are attended by large crowds who draw inspiration from his teachings. In order to fund the activities of the institutions, regular collections are made from supporters worldwide.

The effects of the Covid-19 pandemic continued to affect families in the United Kingdom and abroad. The charity was able to help alleviate some of the financial burden by providing financial assistance to those that were effected.

The trustees are pleased to report that in the year under review, grants in excess of £8.5m were distributed to institutions and individuals in accordance with its grant making policy.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

The trustees have established the level of reserves (that is those funds that are freely available) that the charity ought to have. Reserves are needed to bridge the funding gaps between spending on activities and receiving resources through voluntary donations. The trustees consider that the ideal level of reserves as at 30 June 2022 would be about one to two month's expenditure. However, the charity is operated as a grant giving charity, and the trustees' policy is to seek to distribute the bulk of the income arising in each financial year as it becomes available.

Restricted reserves at the year end were £588,297 (2021: £233,897).

Whilst the charity does not have any financial commitments, the trustees are actively pursuing sources of funding in order to ensure that there are sufficient reserves to provide financial stability and flexibility.

Financial results

The financial results for the year to 30 June 2022 are shown in the attached financial statements.

Total income for the year increased from £7,762,028 to £8,895,705. Total expenditure increased from £7,664,526 to £8,541,305 in comparison with the previous period. There was a net increase in funds of £354,400 with total funds carried forward of £588,297 (2021: £233,897).

FUTURE PLANS

Friends of Mercaz Hatorah Belz Macnivka will continue to support the charitable institutions within the wider network of the Belz Macnivka movement as well as other charitable causes which are in line with its Objects.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
for the year ended 30 June 2022

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Trustees may be appointed by the existing trustees at any time, either to fill a casual vacancy or as an addition to the existing trustees. Any trustees so appointed will hold office only until the next Annual General Meeting and will then be eligible for re-election.

No trustee had any beneficial interest in any contract with the charitable entity during the year.

Potential trustees are invited to informally attend trustee meetings prior to appointment and a comprehensive induction programme is available. Additionally individual trustees may undertake external training in a particular area of their role on the Governing Body.

Organisational structure

The board of trustees administers the charity. The board meets quarterly.

Induction and training of new trustees

The charitable entity strives to ensure equal opportunities and diversity in the employment of staff and trustee appointments. Selection criteria and procedures are regularly reviewed to ensure that individuals are selected, promoted and treated on the basis of their relevant merits and abilities.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

Fundraising

The charity has a good reputation within the local community and has a large pool of regular donors who wish to have a part in the charitable activities of the charity. Existing donors often recommend and encourage other philanthropists to pledge their support to the success of the charity.

The charity is committed to the principals set out by the Fundraising Regulator in its Code of Fundraising Practice. When donors are approached, this is done with sensitivity and respect and with regard to their circumstances.

The trustees are pleased to report that no complaints were received in the past twelve months in relation to its fundraising activities.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

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Trustees

Mrs G Krautwirt
E Y Brander
M Lieber

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
for the year ended 30 June 2022

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees 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, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed 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, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity 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;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to 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.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 26 April 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Mrs G Krautwirt - Trustee

**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA**

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Friends of Mercaz Hatorah Belz Macnivka (the 'charity') for the year ended 30 June 2022 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, 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 (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 June 2022 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 Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the 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 trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the financial statements and our Report of the Independent Auditors thereon.

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.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, 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 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 where the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

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

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements which 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 liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA**

Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditors under Section 144 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 a Report of the Independent Auditors 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.

Our approach to identifying and assessing the risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, was as follows:

- the engagement partner ensured that the engagement team collectively had the appropriate competence, capabilities and skills to identify or recognise non-compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- we identified the laws and regulations applicable to the company through discussions with directors and other management, and from our commercial knowledge and experience of the company's sector;
- We focused on specific laws and regulations which we considered may have a direct material effect on the accounts or the activities of the charity. These included but were not limited to the Charities Act 2011; Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019); Employment Law; Data Protection Legislation; The Code of Fundraising Practice; and Safeguarding Regulations as they affect the direct charitable activities of the charity;
- we assessed the extent of compliance with the laws and regulations identified above through making enquiries of management and inspecting legal correspondence where necessary.

We assessed the susceptibility of the company's financial statements to material misstatement, including obtaining an understanding of how fraud might occur, by:

- making enquiries of management as to where they considered there was susceptibility to fraud, their knowledge of actual, suspected and alleged fraud; and
- considering the internal controls in place to mitigate risks of fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations.

To address the risk of fraud through management bias and override of controls, we:

- performed analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected transactions;
- tested the appropriateness of journal entries;
- tested authorisation of expenditure;
- assessed whether judgements and assumptions made in determining the accounting estimates were indicative of potential bias; and
- investigated the rationale behind significant or unusual transactions.

In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations, we designed procedures which included, but were not limited to:

- agreeing financial statement disclosures to underlying supporting documentation;
- reading the minutes of meetings of those charged with governance;
- enquiring of management as to actual and potential litigation and claims; and
- reviewing correspondence with HMRC and relevant regulators.

There are inherent limitations in our audit procedures described above. The more removed that laws and regulations are from financial transactions, the less likely it is that we would become aware of non-compliance. Auditing standards also limit the audit procedures required to identify non-compliance with laws and regulations to enquiry of the directors and other management and the inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any.

Material misstatements that arise due to fraud can be harder to detect than those that arise from error as they may involve deliberate concealment or collusion.

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Report of the Independent Auditors.

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 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 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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26 April 2023

Raffingers LLP is eligible to act as an auditor in terms of Section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the year ended 30 June 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted fund £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	-	8,895,705	8,895,705	7,762,028
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EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		-	-	-	2,150
Charitable activities	3				
Provision of education and relief of poverty		-	8,541,305	8,541,305	7,662,376
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Total		-	8,541,305	8,541,305	7,664,526
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NET INCOME		-	354,400	354,400	97,502
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		-	233,897	233,897	136,395
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TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		-	588,297	588,297	233,897
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The notes form part of these financial statements

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

BALANCE SHEET

30 June 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted fund £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank		-	597,297	597,297	242,297
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	7	-	(9,000)	(9,000)	(8,400)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>-</u>	<u>588,297</u>	<u>588,297</u>	<u>233,897</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>-</u>	<u>588,297</u>	<u>588,297</u>	<u>233,897</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>-</u>	<u>588,297</u>	<u>588,297</u>	<u>233,897</u>
FUNDS	8				
Restricted funds				<u>588,297</u>	<u>233,897</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>588,297</u>	<u>233,897</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 26 April 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:

G Krautwirt - Trustee

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

CASH FLOW STATEMENT
for the year ended 30 June 2022

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	1	355,000	127,104
Net cash provided by operating activities		<u>355,000</u>	<u>127,104</u>
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Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		355,000	127,104
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		<u>242,297</u>	<u>115,193</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		<u><u>597,297</u></u>	<u><u>242,297</u></u>

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FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT
for the year ended 30 June 2022

1. RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2022	2021
	£	£
Net income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	354,400	97,502
Adjustments for:		
Decrease in debtors	-	27,802
Increase in creditors	600	1,800
	<u>355,000</u>	<u>127,104</u>
Net cash provided by operations	<u><u>355,000</u></u>	<u><u>127,104</u></u>

2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 1.7.21	Cash flow	At 30.6.22
	£	£	£
Net cash			
Cash at bank	242,297	355,000	597,297
	<u>242,297</u>	<u>355,000</u>	<u>597,297</u>
	<u>242,297</u>	<u>355,000</u>	<u>597,297</u>
Total	<u><u>242,297</u></u>	<u><u>355,000</u></u>	<u><u>597,297</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS **for the year ended 30 June 2022**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

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

Grants payable are included in the period when any relevant conditions are met by the receiving entity. Payment of later instalments of a grant usually requires satisfactory progress reports from the project.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

Going concern

The trustees, having made appropriate enquiries, consider that adequate resources exist for the charity to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and that, therefore, it is appropriate to adopt going concern basis in preparing the financial statements as at and for the period ended 30 June 2022. The trustees have made this assessment in respect to a period of one year from the date of approval of these accounts.

The trustees have concluded that there are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The trustees are of the opinion that the charity will have sufficient resources to meet the liabilities as they fall due.

Charitable activities

Charitable activities comprise of grants payable in furtherance of the charitable objectives of the charity. Grants payable are included in the statement of financial activities when approved and when the intended recipient has either received the funds or been informed of the decision to make the donation and has satisfied all related conditions. Grants approved but not paid at the end of the financial year are accrued for.

Governance costs

Governance costs comprise those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and strategic requirements of the charity and the audit fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.

Allocation and apportionment of costs

Overhead and support costs relating to charitable activities have been apportioned based on usage.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the year ended 30 June 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds

General unrestricted funds comprise the accumulated surplus or deficit on income and expenditure account which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds

Restricted funds are the accumulation of all donations given to the charity and grants distributed. These are subject to restrictions of the donor. Under normal circumstances these restrictions will be honoured if they fall within the objects of the charity.

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand represents such accounts and instruments that are available on demand or have a maturity of less than three months from the date of acquisition. Deposits for more than three months but less than one year have been disclosed as short term deposits.

Creditors and provision

Creditors and provision are recognised when there is an obligation at the balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably. Creditors and provision are recognised at the moment the charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt. They have been discounted to the present value of the future cash payments where such discounting is material.

Debtors

Debtors are recognised at their settlement amount, less any provision for non-recoverability. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid. They have been discounted to be present value of the future cash receipt where such discounting is material.

Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value except for bank loans which are subsequently measured at the carrying value plus accrued interest less repayments. The financing charge to expenditure is at a constant rate calculated using the effective interest method.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2022	2021
	£	£
Donations	8,895,705	7,762,028

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the year ended 30 June 2022

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Grant funding of activities (see note 4) £	Support costs (see note 5) £	Totals £
Provision of education and relief of poverty	8,480,511	60,794	8,541,305

4. GRANTS PAYABLE

	2022 £	2021 £
Provision of education and relief of poverty	8,480,511	7,649,113

The total grants paid to institutions during the year was as follows:

	2022
Beis Aharon TT Activity Centre	67,750
Agudos Yeshivas Belz Machnovke	54,250
Beis Hamedrash Kedushas Aharon	56,500
Beis Havaad Jerusalem	51,046
Belz Machnivka	91,822
Bezel Hachochma	135,600
Building Fund Beitar Mikva	58,000
Building Fund Beth Shemesh	54,250
Chasdei Yitzchok Keren Ezra Lemishpachos	50,300
Huos	79,265
Ezer Leyoldos Beis Brocho Dechasidei Belz Machnovke	50,600
Heichalei Hakodesh	521,314
Hichel Ahron	66,778
Hogei Torah	121,700
Kimche Depische	50,000
Kollel Beis Yosef Meir	53,181
Kollel in Yeshiva	61,912
Lishmor Chukotav	139,581
Maamodos	66,000
Mechudodin	99,565
Mosdos Beth Shemesh	59,800
Mosdos Jerusalem	60,681
North London Welfare and Educational Foundation	57,000
Orchot Chasidim	59,003
Rehov Bruchim Synagogue	55,350
Reshet Hakollelim	60,200
Talmud Torah Bene Aharon	143,995
Talmud Torah Heichal Aharon Bene Berak	53,850
Yeshiva Gedola Bene Berak	65,400
Yeshiva Ketana Bene Berak	57,700
Yeshiva Ketane Elad	59,901
Grants less than £50,000	<u>4,376,750</u>

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the year ended 30 June 2022

4. GRANTS PAYABLE - continued

Total **7,039,044**

The total grants paid to individuals during the year was as follows:

Individuals 1,441,467

5. SUPPORT COSTS

	Management £	Finance £	Governance costs £	Totals £
Provision of education and relief of poverty	<u>48,000</u>	<u>3,194</u>	<u>9,600</u>	<u>60,794</u>

6. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 June 2022 nor for the year ended 30 June 2021.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30 June 2022 nor for the year ended 30 June 2021.

7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022 £	2021 £
Other creditors	<u>9,000</u>	<u>8,400</u>

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.7.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.6.22 £
Restricted funds			
Restricted	233,897	354,400	588,297
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>233,897</u>	<u>354,400</u>	<u>588,297</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Restricted funds			
Restricted	8,895,705	(8,541,305)	354,400
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>8,895,705</u>	<u>(8,541,305)</u>	<u>354,400</u>

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the year ended 30 June 2022

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.7.20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.6.21 £
Restricted funds			
Restricted	136,395	97,502	233,897
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>136,395</u>	<u>97,502</u>	<u>233,897</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Restricted funds			
Restricted	7,762,028	(7,664,526)	97,502
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>7,762,028</u>	<u>(7,664,526)</u>	<u>97,502</u>

Restricted funds

Restricted funds comprises amounts received during the year from donors in response to fundraising campaigns run by branches under the umbrella of the Belz Macnivka institutions in Israel. All the donations were applied in accordance with the donors wishes. All the donations were applied to causes which were in accordance with the objects of the charity, as specified in the Trustees' Report and primarily to support the charitable activities of the Mercaz Hatorah Belz Macnivka Institutions in Israel. Due to the large number of individual funds it is not practical to report on each fund activity. The balance of restricted funds at the year end were distributed shortly after the year end.

9. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

There were no contingent liabilities at either the beginning or end of the financial year.

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the year ended 30 June 2022

10. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

At 30 June 2022 and 30 June 2021 the charity had no capital commitments which had been contracted for but not provided in the financial statements.

11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30 June 2022.

12. AUDITOR LIABILITY LIMITATION AGREEMENT

The charity has entered into a liability limitation agreement with Raffingers, the statutory auditor, on 8 June 2022, in respect of the statutory audit for the year ended 30 June 2022. The proportionate liability agreement follows the standard terms in Appendix B to the Financial Reporting Council's June 2008 Guidance on Auditor Liability Agreements.

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

England & Wales - Charity number 1126075

Accounts

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021
FOR
FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

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FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

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FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES **for the year ended 30 June 2021**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2021. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The primary objective of the charity is to support the charitable activities of the Mercaz Hatorah Belz Macnivka institutions in Israel. Other charitable activities include the relief of poverty, hardship and distress within the United Kingdom and abroad, the advancement of Jewish education within the United Kingdom and abroad, and the advancement of the Orthodox Jewish religion within the United Kingdom and abroad.

The activities of the charity are to receive charitable donations to be applied towards the charity's stated objectives.

In furtherance of these objectives the charity:

- Provides bursaries to full time and part time students of the wider Mercaz Hatorah Belz Macnivka network of institutions;
- Provides grants to qualifying institutions who are involved in the furtherance of the Jewish Faith and in advancing Jewish Education;
- Provides grants and bursaries to qualifying needy families and individuals.

Public benefit

The trustees have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, and 'The Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit' in particular, when reviewing the aim and objectives and in planning the charity's future activities. The aims of the charitable company for the public benefit are detailed in the 'Objectives and Activities' section of this report and the main activities undertaken in order to carry out the charitable company's aims for the public benefit are outlined under 'Achievements and Performance' below.

Grantmaking

The charity principally supports the institutions of Belz Macnivka in the United Kingdom, Israel and around the world. The trustees are in regular contact with senior members of the institutions around the world who report on the activities of the institutions and on funding requirements.

Donations received are generally designated for specific causes within the Belz Macnivka network of institutions, however the trustees consider applications from the general public and seek to make donations which meet the charity's objectives and satisfy the principals set out within the Trust Deed. All applications are carefully considered and assistance provided according to circumstances and funds then available.

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES **for the year ended 30 June 2021**

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

During the year the charity received charitable donations in excess of £7.7m, all of which have been applied for charitable purposes. Funds continue to be accumulated in the short term to fund the construction and development of premises for use as a synagogue and community centre in Israel by the Belz Macnivka movement.

The charity is currently assisting with funding the purchase and construction of a new headquarters in Israel. Currently the costs of acquiring the land and developing the site have exceeded £27m. The total cost for this project is anticipated to be £35m. The expansion is necessary due to the convergence of followers from all over the world participating in the Jewish Holidays. As many as 500 - 1,000 followers spend the Jewish Festivals with the Rebbi. The trustees are pleased to report that as a result of the generosity of its supporters the lower two floors of the headquarters have been brought into use and that work is progressing steadily on the upper floors.

The Rabbinical leadership of the Belz institutions in Israel support and maintain a large network of educational, religious and communal facilities. Discretionary grants are also provided to needy families who face financial hardship. In addition, the Rebbi has an open door policy and he sees hundreds of people weekly who come to seek his counsel and his blessing. He holds several weekly gatherings, mainly on Saturdays which are attended by large crowds who draw inspiration from his teachings. In order to fund the activities of the institutions, regular collections are made from supporters worldwide.

The Covid-19 pandemic, which continued during the year, caused illness and job losses amongst many families in the United Kingdom and abroad. The charity was able to help alleviate some of the financial burden by providing financial assistance to those that were effected.

The trustees are pleased to report that in the year under review, grants in excess of £7.6m were distributed to institutions and individuals in accordance with its grant making policy.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

The trustees have established the level of reserves (that is those funds that are freely available) that the charity ought to have. Reserves are needed to bridge the funding gaps between spending on activities and receiving resources through voluntary donations. The trustees consider that the ideal level of reserves as at 30 June 2021 would be about one to two month's expenditure. However, the charity is operated as a grant giving charity, and the trustees' policy is to seek to distribute the bulk of the income arising in each financial year as it becomes available.

Restricted reserves at the year end were £233,897 (2020: 136,395).

Whilst the charity does not have any financial commitments, the trustees are actively pursuing sources of funding in order to ensure that there are sufficient reserves to provide financial stability and flexibility.

Financial results

The financial results for the year to 30 June 2021 are shown in the attached financial statements.

Total income for the year decreased from £9,683,832 to £7,762,028. Total expenditure decreased from £9,723,152 to £7,664,526 in comparison with the previous period. There was a net increase in funds of £97,502 with total funds carried forward of £233,897 (2020: £136,395).

FUTURE PLANS

Friends of Mercaz Hatorah Belz Macnivka will continue to support the charitable institutions within the wider network of the Belz Macnivka movement as well as other charitable causes which are in line with its Objects.

Since the beginning of 2020, the Covid-19 pandemic has developed rapidly, with significant social and economic impact. We have taken a number of measures to monitor and ensure the health and safety of our employees, volunteers and end beneficiaries. At this stage the impact on our ability to continue with our charitable activities is not significant and we have adapted our activities to comply with government's policies and guidance.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES **for the year ended 30 June 2021**

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Trustees may be appointed by the existing trustees at any time, either to fill a casual vacancy or as an addition to the existing trustees. Any trustees so appointed will hold office only until the next Annual General Meeting and will then be eligible for re-election.

No trustee had any beneficial interest in any contract with the charitable entity during the year.

Potential trustees are invited to informally attend trustee meetings prior to appointment and a comprehensive induction programme is available. Additionally individual trustees may undertake external training in a particular area of their role on the Governing Body.

Organisational structure

The board of trustees administers the charity. The board meets quarterly.

Induction and training of new trustees

The charitable entity strives to ensure equal opportunities and diversity in the employment of staff and trustee appointments. Selection criteria and procedures are regularly reviewed to ensure that individuals are selected, promoted and treated on the basis of their relevant merits and abilities.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

Fundraising

The charity has a good reputation within the local community and has a large pool of regular donors who wish to have a part in the charitable activities of the charity. Existing donors often recommend and encourage other philanthropists to pledge their support to the success of the charity.

The charity is committed to the principals set out by the Fundraising Regulator in its Code of Fundraising Practice. When donors are approached, this is done with sensitivity and respect and with regard to their circumstances.

The trustees are pleased to report that no complaints were received in the past twelve months in relation to its fundraising activities.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

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1126075

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Trustees

Mrs G Krautwirt
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FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
for the year ended 30 June 2021

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees 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, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed 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, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity 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;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to 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.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 26 April 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

Mrs G Krautwirt - Trustee

**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA**

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Friends of Mercaz Hatorah Belz Macnivka (the 'charity') for the year ended 30 June 2021 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, 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 (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 June 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 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 Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the 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 trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the financial statements and our Report of the Independent Auditors thereon.

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.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, 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 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 where the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

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

**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA**

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements which 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 liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA**

Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditors under Section 144 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 a Report of the Independent Auditors 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:

Our approach to identifying and assessing the risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, was as follows:

- the engagement partner ensured that the engagement team collectively had the appropriate competence, capabilities and skills to identify or recognise non-compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- we identified the laws and regulations applicable to the charity through discussions with management and from our commercial knowledge and experience of the sector Friends of Mercaz Hatorah Belz Macnivka belongs to;
- we focused on specific laws and regulations which we considered may have a direct material effect on the financial statements or the operations of the association, including the Charities Act 2011, Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019), Trustees Act, Bribery Act and data protection;
- we assessed the extent of compliance with the laws and regulations identified above through making enquiries of management and inspecting legal correspondence; and
- identified laws and regulations were communicated within the audit team regularly and the team remained alert to instances of non-compliance throughout the audit.

We assessed the susceptibility of the charity's financial statements to material misstatement, including obtaining an understanding of how fraud might occur, by:

- making enquiries of management as to where they considered there was susceptibility to fraud, their knowledge of actual, suspected and alleged fraud; and
- considering the internal controls in place to mitigate risks of fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, including the ones that ensure that the grants are used for intended purposes.

To address the risk of fraud through management bias and override of controls, we:

- performed analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships;
- assessed whether judgements and assumptions made in determining the accounting estimates were indicative of potential bias; and
- investigated the rationale behind significant or unusual transactions.

In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations, we designed procedures which included, but were not limited to:

- agreeing financial statement disclosures to underlying supporting documentation;
- reading the minutes of meetings of those charged with governance;
- enquiring of management as to actual and potential litigation and claims.

There are inherent limitations in our audit procedures described above. The more removed that laws and regulations are from financial transactions, the less likely it is that we would become aware of non-compliance. Auditing standards also limit the audit procedures required to identify non-compliance with laws and regulations to enquiry of the trustees and other management and the inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any.

Material misstatements that arise due to fraud can be harder to detect than those that arise from error as they may involve deliberate concealment or collusion.

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Report of the Independent Auditors.

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 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 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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26 April 2022

Raffingers LLP is eligible to act as an auditor in terms of Section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the year ended 30 June 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted fund £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	-	7,762,028	7,762,028	9,683,832
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		-	2,150	2,150	3,977
Charitable activities	3				
Provision of education and relief of poverty		-	7,662,376	7,662,376	9,719,175
Total		-	7,664,526	7,664,526	9,723,152
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		-	97,502	97,502	(39,320)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		-	136,395	136,395	175,715
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		-	233,897	233,897	136,395

The notes form part of these financial statements

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

BALANCE SHEET

30 June 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted fund £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	7	-	-	-	27,802
Cash at bank		-	242,297	242,297	115,193
		-	242,297	242,297	142,995
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	8	-	(8,400)	(8,400)	(6,600)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		-	233,897	233,897	136,395
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		-	233,897	233,897	136,395
NET ASSETS		-	233,897	233,897	136,395
FUNDS	9				
Restricted funds				233,897	136,395
TOTAL FUNDS				233,897	136,395

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 26 April 2022 and were signed on its behalf by:

G Krautwirt - Trustee

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

CASH FLOW STATEMENT
for the year ended 30 June 2021

	Notes	2021 £	2020 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	1	127,104	(120,121)
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities		<u>127,104</u>	<u>(120,121)</u>
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		127,104	(120,121)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		<u>115,193</u>	<u>235,314</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		<u><u>242,297</u></u>	<u><u>115,193</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT
for the year ended 30 June 2021

1. RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	2021	2020	
	£	£	
Net income/(expenditure) for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	97,502	(39,320)	
Adjustments for:			
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	27,802	(27,801)	
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	1,800	(53,000)	
Net cash provided by/(used in) operations	<u>127,104</u>	<u>(120,121)</u>	
2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS	At 1.7.20	Cash flow	At 30.6.21
	£	£	£
Net cash			
Cash at bank	115,193	127,104	242,297
	<u>115,193</u>	<u>127,104</u>	<u>242,297</u>
Total	<u>115,193</u>	<u>127,104</u>	<u>242,297</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS **for the year ended 30 June 2021**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

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

Grants payable are included in the period when any relevant conditions are met by the receiving entity. Payment of later instalments of a grant usually requires satisfactory progress reports from the project.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

Going concern

The trustees, having made appropriate enquiries, consider that adequate resources exist for the charity to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and that, therefore, it is appropriate to adopt going concern basis in preparing the financial statements as at and for the period ended 30 June 2021. The trustees have made this assessment in respect to a period of one year from the date of approval of these accounts.

The trustees have concluded that there are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The trustees are of the opinion that the charity will have sufficient resources to meet the liabilities as they fall due. In arriving at the conclusion, the trustees have considered the potential implications of the effects of Covid-19 on the charity. The figures for the period under consideration have not been impacted by Covid-19 and the trustees are confident that no adjustments are necessary to the carrying value of the assets held at the balance sheet date.

Charitable activities

Charitable activities comprise of grants payable in furtherance of the charitable objectives of the charity. Grants payable are included in the statement of financial activities when approved and when the intended recipient has either received the funds or been informed of the decision to make the donation and has satisfied all related conditions. Grants approved but not paid at the end of the financial year are accrued for.

Governance costs

Governance costs comprise those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and strategic requirements of the charity and the audit fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.

Allocation and apportionment of costs

Overhead and support costs relating to charitable activities have been apportioned based on usage.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the year ended 30 June 2021

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand represents such accounts and instruments that are available on demand or have a maturity of less than three months from the date of acquisition. Deposits for more than three months but less than one year have been disclosed as short term deposits.

Creditors and provision

Creditors and provision are recognised when there is an obligation at the balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably. Creditors and provision are recognised at the moment the charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt. They have been discounted to the present value of the future cash payments where such discounting is material.

Debtors

Debtors are recognised at their settlement amount, less any provision for non-recoverability. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid. They have been discounted to be present value of the future cash receipt where such discounting is material.

Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value except for bank loans which are subsequently measured at the carrying value plus accrued interest less repayments. The financing charge to expenditure is at a constant rate calculated using the effective interest method.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2021	2020
	£	£
Donations	<u>7,762,028</u>	<u>9,683,832</u>

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Grant funding of activities (see note 4) £	Support costs (see note 5) £	Totals £
Provision of education and relief of poverty	<u>7,649,113</u>	<u>13,263</u>	<u>7,662,376</u>

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the year ended 30 June 2021

4. GRANTS PAYABLE

	2021	2020
	£	£
Provision of education and relief of poverty	<u>7,649,113</u>	<u>9,708,331</u>

The total grants paid to institutions during the year was as follows:

	2021
Beis Hamedrash Kedushas Aharon	52,600
Beis Hamidrash Maran Shlita	52,050
Beis Havaad Jerusalem	122,931
Bezel Hachochmo	107,115
Building Fund Beitar Mikva	55,700
Chaburos Avreichim	59,861
Ezer Lesimchas Jerusalem Rabbi Reichman	52,900
Heichalei Hakodesh Zichron Ahron	316,597
Hogei Torah	83,176
Irgun Mechudodin	67,254
Kimche Depischa	144,307
Kollel Beis Yosef Meir	60,224
Kollel Chosen Yeshuos In Ashdod	57,270
Kollel Erev Beitar	57,910
Kollel in Yeshiva	61,824
Lishmor Chukotav	573,600
Maamodos	60,500
Mosdes Belz	133,974
Mosdos Beth Shemesh	54,300
Mosdos Yerushalayim	121,471
Orchot Chaim	59,674
Reshet Hakollelim	56,900
Talmud Torah Bnei Aharon Jerusalem	190,466
Talmud Torah Heichal Aharon Bnei Brak	54,950
TTBA London	56,815
Yeshiva Ketana Bene Berak	56,550
Yeshiva Lezeirim Belz Machnovke Elad	50,900
Grants less than £50,000	<u>3,181,053</u>
Total	6,000,872

The total grants paid to individuals during the year was as follows:

Individuals	1,648,241
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FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the year ended 30 June 2021

5. SUPPORT COSTS

	Management	Finance	Governance	Totals
	£	£	costs £	£
Raising donations and legacies	2,150	-	-	2,150
Provision of education and relief of poverty	-	3,063	10,200	13,263
	<u>2,150</u>	<u>3,063</u>	<u>10,200</u>	<u>15,413</u>

6. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 June 2021 nor for the year ended 30 June 2020.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30 June 2021 nor for the year ended 30 June 2020.

7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021	2020
	£	£
Other debtors	-	27,802
	<u>-</u>	<u>27,802</u>

8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021	2020
	£	£
Other creditors	8,400	6,600
	<u>8,400</u>	<u>6,600</u>

9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.7.20	Net movement in funds	At 30.6.21
	£	£	£
Restricted funds			
Restricted	136,395	97,502	233,897
	<u>136,395</u>	<u>97,502</u>	<u>233,897</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>136,395</u>	<u>97,502</u>	<u>233,897</u>

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

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Restricted funds			
Restricted	7,762,028	(7,664,526)	97,502
	<u>7,762,028</u>	<u>(7,664,526)</u>	<u>97,502</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>7,762,028</u>	<u>(7,664,526)</u>	<u>97,502</u>

FRIENDS OF MERCAZ HATORAH BELZ MACNIVKA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the year ended 30 June 2021

9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.7.19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.6.20 £
Restricted funds			
Restricted	175,715	(39,320)	136,395
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>175,715</u>	<u>(39,320)</u>	<u>136,395</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Restricted funds			
Restricted	9,683,832	(9,723,152)	(39,320)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>9,683,832</u>	<u>(9,723,152)</u>	<u>(39,320)</u>

Restricted funds

Restricted funds comprise amounts raised from campaigns for specific projects or institutions.

10. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

There were no contingent liabilities at either the beginning or end of the financial year.

11. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

At 30 June 2021 and 30 June 2020 the charity had no capital commitments which had been contracted for but not provided in the financial statements.

12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30 June 2021.

13. AUDITOR LIABILITY LIMITATION AGREEMENT

The charity has entered into a liability limitation agreement with Raffingers, the statutory auditor, in respect of the statutory audit for the year ended 30 June 2021. The proportionate liability agreement follows the standard terms in Appendix B to the Financial Reporting Council's June 2008 Guidance on Auditor Liability Agreements.