

BRIDGES FOR COMMUNITIES
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
31 MAY 2022

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Charity Number 1137092

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

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The Trustees have pleasure in presenting their report and financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 May 2022, which complies with statutory requirements, the governing documents and the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (FRS102).

Objects of the Charity

The objectives of Bridges for Communities are:

The promotion of racial and religious respect and trust, for the benefit of people of different cultures and faiths in the UK and the Middle East, by, but not limited to:

- Developing grass-roots level projects that connect people from different communities in the UK and in the Middle East;
- Educating the public and raising awareness about different cultures and faiths, to promote good relations and respect for the beliefs and practices of others;
- Equipping individuals and organisations that are working towards our vision.

The charity has made good progress towards achieving these objectives this year, as evidenced by the achievements listed below. The scope and the impact of our work has again grown significantly, and has included a response to the arrival of people fleeing Afghanistan and Ukraine.

Bridges for Communities finishes the year in a strong position financially, and able to continue its charitable activities thanks to the strength of the charity's reserves and the ongoing support of its donors.

Impact of Covid-19 on Activities

Bridges for Communities has again remained active throughout all the various stages of the COVID-19 pandemic. Our activities and services have been less impacted by the virus in 2021-22 than they were in 2020-21. Staff have been able to work in the office if they wanted to, but have still had flexibility to work from home when they've preferred. All our projects have been able to return to in-person delivery apart from some RefuLingua language lessons which have remained online. A small number of gathered events (Peace Feasts and Bristol Welcome Events) had to be postponed in the autumn and winter period due to the spread of the Omicron variant, but these activities were able to return to normal in the spring term.

The only area of our work that was significantly impacted this year was our ability to organise cultural exchange trips with countries in the Middle East – these have been unable to happen due to the uncertainty over travel arrangements caused by the virus.

Achievements and performance

This section assesses the charity's performance against its objectives:

- a) Developing grass-roots level projects that connect people from different communities in the UK and in the Middle East.**

During the year the charity has organised or facilitated the following:

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- 5 Peace Feast events, with 296 people from diverse communities sharing a meal together. These events included guest speakers on a range of topics and were organised in partnership with Redcatch Community Garden, Bristol Sudanese Community Association, St. Mary Redcliffe church and Easton CE Academy School.
- Continuation of the Bristol School Linking project which we launched in 2020-21, with 13 primary schools participating, 24 teachers trained, and over 500 Year 5 children taking part.
- The b.friend project which has provided one-to-one support for 21 of Bristol's most vulnerable refugees and asylum seekers through local volunteers.
- The Resettlement b.friend programme which has provided one-to-one volunteer support for 55 refugee families from the Middle East and Afghanistan who have been resettled by Bristol City Council and the Home Office.
- Bristol Welcome Events that have brought together newly arrived refugee families and local volunteers, helping new arrivals to grow in their sense of belonging in the city. This year has seen an extensive programme of events for Afghans accommodated temporarily in hotels.
- Continuation of the Walk With Me project which was launched in 2020-21, with 24 refugees partnered with local volunteers for exercise, and 10 group walks involving 355 people.
- The Craft Collective project which brought together 42 women from refugee backgrounds to learn to sew alongside local volunteers.

The activities above enable people from different cultural and faith backgrounds to interact and build friendships. By doing so, they grow in their understanding of one another and this can, in turn, lead to a reduction in prejudice between groups. The benefit to wider society is that not only are these people more likely to live well alongside one another, but that they share the stories of their interactions with others and influence their perceptions as well. The work we do to help refugees and asylum seekers to integrate into wider society also contributes towards social cohesion in the city.

b) Educating the public and raising awareness about different cultures and faiths, to promote good relations and respect for the beliefs and practices of others.

- Sharing Festivals events, including a Sharing Ramadan event in Cardiff and 2 Eid celebration events in Bristol involving 309 people.
- RefuLingua language lessons in Arabic, Pashto and Somali for 75 people, taught by 8 tutors from refugee and migrant backgrounds.
- 'Welcome to the UK' cultural orientation course for 46 refugees resettled in Bristol and Taunton.
- Training sessions for 26 new b.friend volunteers who want to provide one-to-one support for refugees and asylum seekers of many different nationalities, at various stages in their asylum process.
- Training sessions for 58 people who want to volunteer their time to help support a refugee who has recently arrived in Bristol through one of the government's resettlement schemes.

These programmes are designed to equip people with the knowledge and tools they need to understand people of different cultures and faiths, and to live well alongside one another. This benefits wider society because participants then contribute towards more cohesive communities and also influence others to do the same.

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c) Equipping individuals and organisations that are working towards our vision.

- 'Supporting Refugees' Training for 31 people who are part of other voluntary organisations or community sponsorship groups
- Providing training for 86 volunteers in 15 new Welcome Hubs that have opened to support people arriving from Ukraine

These activities equip individuals and organisations with the knowledge and tools they need to contribute towards a more cohesive society, and thus they enable the expertise and models of Bridges for Communities to impact a wider audience.

The Trustees are satisfied that the activities outlined above represent good progress towards achieving the objectives of the charity and also towards the strategic goals outlined in last year's Trustees' Report.

In all of the above, the Trustees have had regard to the guidance from the Charity Commission regarding public benefit as it relates to the activities of the charity.

Financial review

The charity is grateful for donations and grants of £104,467 (2021: £137,055) and total fees generated by council contracts, training, events and cultural exchanges of £105,281 (2021: £45,901), which have enabled the charity to meet its running costs for the year. The charity generated a surplus of £28,248 (2021: £51,980). Unrestricted reserves at the end of the year were £70,412 (2021: £58,005).

Investment powers and policy

The constitution of Bridges for Communities authorises the Trustees to make and hold investments using the funds of the Charity.

Cash balances are currently held with Barclays Bank and CAF Shawbrook Bank.

Reserves policy

At the year end the charity held unrestricted reserves of £ 70,412 (2021: £58,005) and restricted reserves of £76,352 (2021: £60,511). Unrestricted, non-designated, reserves ("free reserves") were £39,925 (2021: £44,087) and account for approximately 8.9 months (2021: 12 months) of operating costs based on the 2022/23 budget, which the Trustees consider adequate at this stage of the charity's life. The Trustees' reserves policy states that the charity should hold at least 6 months of free reserves (unrestricted, non-designated funds) based on the operating costs in the current budget, and are pleased that this target has been met throughout the year.

Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

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Organisation

Bridges for Communities is a company limited by guarantee, number 07245606, as well as a registered charity, in which the company directors also form the Board of Trustees. The day to day running of the charity is delegated to the Managing Director. The liability of each Trustee in the event of a winding up is limited to £1.

Risk management

The systems of internal control are designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance against material misstatement or loss. They include:

- (a) an annual budget approved by the Trustees,
- (b) regular consideration by the Trustees of financial reports;
- (c) delegation of authority and segregation of duties;
- (d) identification and management of risks.

The Trustees aim to review on a regular basis the main risks that the charity faces. They do this by updating the risk register, and by considering a range of potential risks including reputational damage, loss of key staff, loss of key funders and breach of the GDPR. They believe that maintaining appropriate reviews of the controls over key financial systems provides sufficient resources in the event of unexpected adverse conditions. The Trustees are pleased to confirm that the internal financial controls conform to guidelines issued by the Charity Commission.

Trustee recruitment and training

New trustees can be appointed when appropriate. Suitable candidates are recruited through our network of contacts and partnerships, and through the role being advertised on our website. Candidates are considered on the basis of their skills, experience and sympathy with the aims of the charity, and will go through an interview process. New trustees will have the opportunity of reviewing appropriate documents including the accounts as part of their induction process. The induction process will also involve the candidate receiving an induction pack and having the opportunity to observe a board meeting before their formal appointment to the board.

Plans for future periods

Bridges for Communities seeks to build on the achievements of the last year and continue to grow as a charity.

Our 5-year organisational goals (2018-23) are unchanged:

1. To become a small, dynamic and sustainable organisation that is a 'centre of excellence' based in Bristol and resourcing others elsewhere.
2. To have strong partnerships in local communities and a reputation for contributing towards social cohesion in Bristol, especially the integration of newcomers from other cultures and those who are socially isolated.

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3. To have a range of programs that are well established, consistently run, needs-led and strategic in nature (Peace Feast, RefuLingua, Bristol Welcome, b.friend, Cultural Exchange trips, Training etc.).
4. To have a strong and diverse team of part time staff that is working well together, and a diverse board of Trustees with a good skill mix to cover key governance areas.

Our strategic goals for the next year (2022-23) are:

1. Relaunching Peace Feast - running a programme of consistent and strategic events in Bristol throughout the year, and using the resources and tools that we developed last year to enable people to run events in other cities.
2. Growing our Bristol School Linking programme to include more schools and enable more children to have a positive and formative experience of 'living well with difference'.
3. Expanding our Walk With Me programme through partnership with other agencies, referrals, and co-production with beneficiaries, in order to provide more refugees with exercise and connection with local volunteers.
4. Continuing to support the most isolated and vulnerable refugees and asylum seekers through b.friend and its extension 'Resettlement b.friend'.
5. Providing employment and work experience for some of our RefuLingua tutors and expanding the programme into new community languages this year including Somali.
6. Delivering high quality training for individuals and organisations who are working cross-culturally, for host communities who are supporting refugees, and for refugees who are new to this country.
7. Investing in the co-design and co-production of our programmes with our beneficiaries, and improving our systems for monitoring and evaluating the impact of our work.
8. Relaunching our Sharing Festivals programme, giving members of faith communities the opportunity to visit one another and build understanding.
9. Developing and improving our Craft Collective programme by running termly sewing courses for beginners that equip women with key sewing skills useful for life and employment.

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Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees (who are also directors of Bridges for Communities for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report (incorporating the directors' report) and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102: The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the income and expenditure of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

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

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Signed by order of the Trustees on 3 October 2022

Rev O R Lynch
Chair of the Trustees

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REFERENCE & ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2022

Status

The Charity is governed by its Articles of Association. It was incorporated as a company limited by guarantee, number 7245606, on 6 May, 2010 and was registered with the Charity Commission in England & Wales, number 1137092 on 27 July 2010.

Trustees

The Trustees who are directors for the purpose of company law and who served during the year are:

Rev O R Lynch, Chair
Mr J J Kay
Mr D J Gregory
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Mrs R Bennett
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2022

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 May 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Date: 3 October 2022

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)

YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2022

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	2	66,449	38,018	104,467	137,055
Charitable activities	3	5,015	100,266	105,281	45,901
Investment income		1	-	1	2
Total income		71,465	138,284	209,749	182,958
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	4	3,964	2,487	6,451	5,865
Charitable activities	5	53,128	121,922	175,050	125,113
Total expenditure		57,092	124,409	181,501	130,978
Net income/expenditure		14,373	13,875	28,248	51,980
Transfers between funds	13	(1,966)	1,966	-	-
Net movement in funds		12,407	15,841	28,248	51,980
Total funds at 1 June 2021	13	58,005	60,511	118,516	66,536
Total funds at 31 May 2022	13	70,412	76,352	146,764	118,516

The Charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year as set out above.

All of the activities of the charitable company are classed as continuing.

See note 8 for comparative Statement of Financial Activities.

The notes on pages 11 to 19 form part of these financial statements

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BALANCE SHEET

Company Registration Number 07245606

AS AT 31 MAY 2022

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	10	3,062	750
Current assets			
Debtors	11	29,347	3,816
Cash at bank		143,528	132,688
		<u>172,875</u>	<u>136,504</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(29,173)</u>	<u>(18,738)</u>
Net current assets		143,702	117,766
Net assets		<u>146,764</u>	<u>118,516</u>
Income funds			
General funds	14	42,987	44,837
Designated funds	14	27,425	13,168
Restricted funds	14	76,352	60,511
Total funds		<u>146,764</u>	<u>118,516</u>

For the year ended 31 May 2022 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

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

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act applicable to small companies and constitute the annual accounts required by the Companies Act 2006 and are for circulation to members of the company.

These financial statements were approved by the trustees on 3 October 2022. and are signed on their behalf by:

Rev O R Lynch
(Chair of Trustees)

The notes on pages 11 to 19 form part of these financial statements

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1 Accounting policies

- a) The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011 (*or Companies Act 2006*) and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2019.

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102.

The accounts have been prepared on the going concern basis as discussed in the Trustee's Annual Report. The Trustees know of no material reason why this should not be appropriate.

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

Income from donations is included in income when it is receivable, except as follows:

- I. When donors specify that donations given to the Charity must be used in future accounting periods, the income is deferred until those periods;
- II. When donors impose conditions which have to be fulfilled before the Charity becomes entitled to use such income, the income is deferred until the pre-conditions have been met.

- c) Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to that activity inclusive of VAT. Support costs and costs that cannot be directly attributed have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of the resource.

Governance costs comprise the costs involving the public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice. These costs are included within support costs.

Expenditure is allocated to a particular activity where the cost relates directly to that activity.

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

- d) The charity contributes to defined contribution pension schemes. Contributions payable to the charity's pension schemes are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.
- e) Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value, over the useful life of that asset as follows:

Office equipment - 25% - 33% p.a. on cost

- f) Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts.
- g) Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.
- h) Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.
- i) Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.
- j) 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.

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2 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Donations	55,667	8,983	64,650
Grants receivable	10,782	29,035	39,817
	<u>66,449</u>	<u>38,018</u>	<u>104,467</u>

Prior year comparatives

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Donations	40,982	15,970	56,952
Grants receivable	10,873	69,230	80,103
	<u>51,855</u>	<u>85,200</u>	<u>137,055</u>

3 Income from Charitable Activities

Current year

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Funding for Resettlement project	-	96,656	96,656
Language courses	-	3,580	3,580
Tickets for Peace Feasts	2,025	-	2,025
Training of volunteers	2,990	-	2,990
Facemasks sold	-	30	30
	<u>5,015</u>	<u>100,266</u>	<u>105,281</u>

Prior year

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Funding for Resettlement project	-	35,852	35,852
Language courses	-	6,223	6,223
Tickets for Peace Feasts	1,699	-	1,699
Training of volunteers	987	-	987
Facemasks sold	-	1,140	1,140
	<u>2,686</u>	<u>43,215</u>	<u>45,901</u>

During the year, the charity received a total of £97,438 (2021: £19,872) from government, in the form of grants and contract income.

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4 Expenditure on Raising Funds

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2022 £
Current year			
Training and events	934	34	968
Bank and online payment charges	679	46	725
Wages and salaries	2,351	2,407	4,758
	<u>3,964</u>	<u>2,487</u>	<u>6,451</u>
Prior year			
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2021 £
Training and events	137	931	1,068
Bank and online payment charges	482	148	630
Wages and salaries	1,564	2,603	4,167
	<u>2,183</u>	<u>3,682</u>	<u>5,865</u>

5 Expenditure on Charitable Activities

	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
<u>Direct costs</u>		
Staff training	656	402
Travel	3,205	182
Subsistence	138	124
Hospitality	3,778	1,576
Volunteer expenses	2,395	3,003
Materials	3,029	1,696
Training and events	5,204	3,644
Professional fees	3,677	3,240
Venue costs	1,110	551
Film production costs	-	80
Wages and salaries	106,459	83,734
National insurance	1,012	-
Pension costs	3,889	3,368
	<u>134,552</u>	<u>101,600</u>

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5 Expenditure on Charitable Activities (continued)

	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
<u>Support costs</u>		
Bank and online payment charges	9	-
Office expenses	2,292	878
Telephone, website & IT	5,393	1,690
Printing, postage & stationary	283	429
Insurance	845	1,089
Governance costs	1,755	1,831
Consultancy fees	5,810	7,220
Office rent	3,779	2,653
Wages and salaries	18,512	7,154
National insurance	234	-
Pension cost	744	321
Depreciation	842	248
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	40,498	23,513
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Total expenditure on charitable activities	<u>175,050</u>	<u>125,113</u>

Support costs are allocated on the basis of cost of activities undertaken directly.

6 Net income for the year is stated after charging:

	2022 £	2021 £
Depreciation	842	248
Independent examiner's fee	976	918
Independent examination Accounts preparation	765	720
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7 Staff costs and numbers

The aggregate payroll costs were:

	2022 £	2021 £
Wages and salaries	129,651	91,838
Social security costs	1,264	3,791
Employer's pension costs	4,693	3,690
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	135,608	99,319
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7 Staff costs and numbers (continued)

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000.

No trustees have been remunerated or reimbursed for their out of pocket travel expenses (2021: Nil)

The key management personnel comprise the Trustees and the Managing Director. The aggregate remuneration received by key management personnel during the period was £25,231 (2021: £25,217)

The average weekly number of employees based on average headcount during the year was as follows:

	2022 No.	2021 No.
Administration	21	10

This represents 21 part time members of staff working the equivalent number of hours of 6.5 full-time staff.

8 Taxation

The Charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

9 Comparative Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Income from:			
Donations and legacies	51,855	85,200	137,055
Charitable activities	2,686	43,215	45,901
Investment income	2	-	2
Total income	54,543	128,415	182,958
Expenditure on:			
Raising funds	2,183	3,682	5,865
Charitable activities	30,464	94,649	125,113
Total expenditure	32,647	98,331	130,978
Net income/expenditure	21,896	30,084	51,980
Transfers between funds	(1,407)	1,407	-
Net movement in funds	20,489	31,491	51,980
Total funds at 1 June 2020	37,516	29,020	66,536
Total funds at 31 May 2021	58,005	60,511	118,516

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10 Tangible fixed assets

	Office Equipment £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 June 2021	3,372	3,372
Additions	3,154	3,154
At 31 May 2022	<u>6,526</u>	<u>6,526</u>
Depreciation		
At 1 June 2021	2,622	2,622
Charge for year	842	842
At 31 May 2022	<u>3,464</u>	<u>3,464</u>
Net book value		
At 31 May 2022	<u>3,062</u>	<u>3,062</u>
At 31 May 2021	<u>750</u>	<u>750</u>

11 Debtors

	2022 £	2021 £
Other debtors	4,238	250
Prepayments and accrued income	22,595	791
Gift Aid	2,514	2,775
	<u>29,347</u>	<u>3,816</u>

12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade creditors	532	1,290
Other taxation and social security	3,941	1,837
Other creditors	2,186	554
Accruals and deferred income	22,514	15,057
	<u>29,173</u>	<u>18,738</u>

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12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year (continued)

Deferred income (included in Accruals and deferred income)

	2022 £	2021 £
Deferred income at start of year	12,717	22,400
Amounts released from previous years	(13,739)	(23,683)
Resources deferred during the year	20,767	14,000
	<u>19,745</u>	<u>12,717</u>

13 Movement in funds

Year ended 31 May 2022	1 June 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	31 May 2022 £
Unrestricted funds					
General funds	44,837	65,311	(46,083)	(21,078)	42,987
Designated funds					
Peace feast	7,346	2,025	(8,878)	3,675	4,168
Refugee Social	1,000	4,129	(2,131)	-	2,998
RefuLingua project	4,822	-	-	7,094	11,916
b.friend project	-	-	-	7,095	7,095
School Linking	-	-	-	1,248	1,248
	<u>13,168</u>	<u>6,154</u>	<u>(11,009)</u>	<u>19,112</u>	<u>27,425</u>
Restricted funds					
b.friend project	16,621	13,067	(26,745)	-	2,943
Refugee Social	12	-	(12)	-	-
Resettlement fund	22,991	99,007	(68,630)	-	53,368
RefuLingua project	12,538	8,580	(23,084)	1,966	-
Strategic Plan	-	5,000	-	-	5,000
School Linking	8,349	12,630	(5,938)	-	15,041
	<u>60,511</u>	<u>138,284</u>	<u>(124,409)</u>	<u>1,966</u>	<u>76,352</u>
Total funds	<u>118,516</u>	<u>209,749</u>	<u>(181,501)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>146,764</u>

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13 Movement in funds (continued)

Year ended 31 May 2021	1 June 2020 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	31 May 2021 £
Unrestricted funds					
General funds	37,516	54,543	(31,201)	(16,021)	44,837
Designated funds					
Peace feast	-	-	(1,446)	8,792	7,346
Refugee Social	-	-	-	1,000	1,000
RefuLingua project	-	-	-	4,822	4,822
	-	-	(1,446)	14,614	13,168
Restricted funds					
b.friend project	17,103	18,367	(18,849)	-	16,621
Refugee Social	1,175	-	(1,163)	-	12
Syrian refugee resettlement fund	9,484	40,445	(26,938)	-	22,991
RefuLingua project	-	23,603	(12,243)	1,178	12,538
Peace feasts	1,258	1,000	(3,136)	878	-
BC Trust	-	33,000	(32,351)	(649)	-
School Linking	-	12,000	(3,651)	-	8,349
	29,020	128,415	(98,331)	1,407	60,511
Total funds	66,536	182,958	(130,978)	-	118,516

Restricted funds

The b.friend project provides one-to-one support for asylum seekers and refugees.

The Refugee Social project organises social activities where refugees and asylum seekers can enjoy themselves and spend time getting to know people.

The Resettlement fund provides one-to-one support for families who have been resettled in Bristol by the City Council. This has been renamed from the Syrian Refugee Resettlement fund, to better represent the wider groups of people who are now helped by the fund.

The RefuLingua project enables Arabic-speaking refugees to teach their language to people in Bristol.

The Peace Feasts project organises events where people from different backgrounds can share a meal together, in order to promote friendship and social cohesion.

The Barrow Cadbury Trust's COVID-19 Support Fund enabled the continuation of several of our key projects during the Covid-19 pandemic.

The School Linking project connects classrooms in different parts of Bristol for conversations around identity, community, equality and diversity.

The Strategic Plan fund includes a grant received to help with the costs of the charity's 5-year strategic plan.

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14 Analysis of net assets

Year ended 31 May 2022	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £
Tangible fixed assets	3,062	-	3,062
Net current assets	67,350	76,352	143,702
	<u>70,412</u>	<u>76,352</u>	<u>146,764</u>

Year ended 31 May 2021	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £
Tangible fixed assets	750	-	750
Net current assets	57,255	60,511	117,766
	<u>58,005</u>	<u>60,511</u>	<u>118,516</u>

15 Company limited by guarantee

The charity is a company limited by guarantee having no share capital. Every member is liable to contribute £1 towards the costs of dissolution and the liabilities incurred by the charity in the event of the charity being

16 Related party transactions

Owen Lynch is a trustee of both Bridges for Communities and Severn Vineyard Church. During the year, unrestricted grant income of £2,400 (2021: £2,400) was received from Severn Vineyard Church. No balances were due to or from Severn Vineyard Church at the year end.

The total amount of donations received without conditions from trustees and related parties during the year was £2,807 (2021: £2,787).

No payments were made to trustees for reimbursement of expenses in either the current, or prior year.