



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 April 2024 **Period start date** **To 31 March 2025** **Period end date**

Charity name: Methodist Girls' High School Old Girls Association UK Branch

Charity registration number: 1137343

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To assist in providing a conducive learning environment at the Methodist Girls' High School (The School)
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	To advance the education of the pupils at the Methodist Girls' High School, Freetown, Sierra Leone, West Africa by providing and assisting in the provisions of facilities, scholarships and maintenance allowances (not provided by the local education authority) in such way as the charity trustees think fit.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees have regard

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

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Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	During the financial year the charity provided money to the School for equipment and essential decoration they could not have afforded otherwise.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	31 March 2025
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Balance held until needs are identified.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£35,727
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Policy & procedure document
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Unincorporated Association
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Nomination of the post by paid up members. Voted by paid up members

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Methodist Girls' High School Old Girls Association UK Branch
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1137343
Charity's principal address	29 Limes Walk Linden Grove LONDON SE15 3LJ

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Angela Blanshard	President	Appt 17 February 2024	Paid up members
2	Olympia Sidrattu Dumbuya	General Secretary	Appt 24 February 2024	Paid up members
3	Joyce Patricia Kargbo	Treasurer	Appt 24 February 2024	Paid up members
4	Victoria Gowdie	Trustee	Appt 17 February 2024	Paid up members
5	Daphne Jones	Trustee	Appt 17 February 2024	Paid up members
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

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Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>A Blanshard</i>	
Full name(s)	Angela Blanshard	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	President	
Date	29/01/2026	

Methodist Girls High School OGA

Registered Charity number 1137343

ACCOUNTS FOR THE PERIOD FROM 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025

Methodist Girls High School OGA
ACCOUNTS FOR THE PERIOD FROM 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025

Charity Name	Methodist Girls High School OGA	
Working Name	MGHSOGA UK	
Charity Number	1137343	
Registered Office	29 Limes Walk, Linden Grove, London. SE15 3LJ	
Board of Trustees	Angela Blanshard Olympia Sidrattu Dumbaya Joyce Patricia Kargbo Victoria Gowdie Daphne Jones Irene Savage Valerie Cole	
Independent Accountant	Crest Accounting Ltd.	49 Verdayne Avenue, Shirley, Croydon, Surrey. CR0 8TW
Bank	Barclays Bank PLC	

Methodist Girls High School OGA
Statement of Financial Activities
For the period from 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024

		Unrestricted Funds Period Ended 31 March 2025 £	Restricted Funds Period Ended 31 March 2025 £	TOTAL FUNDS Period Ended 31 March 2025 £	TOTAL FUNDS Period Ended 31 March 2024 £
Incoming Resources	(Note 3)				
Donations and Fundraising			44,558	44,558	35,267
Subscriptions			4,095	4,095	4,143
Total incoming resources		<u>0</u>	<u>48,653</u>	<u>48,653</u>	<u>39,410</u>
Costs of Providing Charitable Activities	(Note 4)				
Cost of providing Charitable Activities			28,852	28,852	2,283
Charitable Activities			9,618	9,618	23,978
Governance			400	400	375
Total Resources expended		<u>0</u>	<u>38,870</u>	<u>38,870</u>	<u>26,636</u>
Net movement in funds		<u>0</u>	<u>9,783</u>	<u>9,783</u>	<u>12,774</u>
Reconciliation of funds					
Total Funds brought forward			25,944	25,944	13,170
Total Funds carried forward		<u>0</u>	<u>35,727</u>	<u>35,727</u>	<u>25,944</u>

Methodist Girls High School OGA
Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2025

		2023/24 £	2023/24 £
Fixed Assets		0	0
Current Assets			
Debtors		0	0
Cash at bank and in hand		34,883	26,319
Prepayments	(Note 5)	1,434	
Total Current assets		<u>36,317</u>	<u>26,319</u>
Creditors falling due within one year	(Note 6)	(400)	(375)
Accruals	(Note 6)	(190)	
Net Assets		<u>35,727</u>	<u>25,944</u>
Funds of the Charity			
Unrestricted Funds		0	0
Restricted Funds		35,727	25,944
Total Funds		<u>35,727</u>	<u>25,944</u>

Chair ANGELA BLANSHARD
Blanshard
 Date: 29/01/2026

Methodist Girls High School OGA
Notes to the Accounts

Note 1: Accounting Policies

The principal accounting policies are summarised below. The accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the period.

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared on the basis of the historic cost convention and in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 and the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2005) issued in March 2005.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are recognised once the charity has entitlement to the resources, it is certain that the resources will be received and the monetary value of incoming resources can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Grants and donations are included in the SoFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources and incoming resources from tax reclaims are included at the same time as the gift to which they relate.

Investment income is included when receivable.

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred.

Costs of generating funds are those costs incurred in attracting voluntary income.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its members. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature to support them.

Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include independent examination fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.

All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories of the SoFA on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource. Costs relating to a particular activity are directly allocated.

Fixed assets

No assets are owned by the charity

Note 2: Trustees Remuneration

No remuneration was paid to the trustees in the 12 month period ended 31 March 2025

Note 3: Analysis of incoming resources

Voluntary income:

Unrestricted donations

0

Restricted donations

48,653

Gift Aid

0

Investment income:

Bank Interest

0

Total

48,653

**Total Funds
12 month period to
31 March 2025
£**

**12 month period to
31 March 2025
£**

Note 4: Analysis of costs of providing charitable activities

General Admin/Office and Support

3,887

Fundraising

24,965

Total

28,852

Note 5 : analysis of Prepayments

Event deposits

1434

Note 6 : analysis of Creditors

Trade Accruals

190

Accountancy fee

400

590

Methodist Girls High School OGA (UK Branch) 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025

	£
Membership Subscriptions	44,558
Donations/Voluntary income	4,095
TOTAL INCOME	<u>48,653</u>
 <u>Charitable Activities</u>	
Breavement Support	550
Donations to School Building Freetown Branch	9,068
<u>Costs of Providing Charitable Activities</u>	
Admin & Office Costs	2,656
Meeting Costs	1,230
Fundraising and events	24,966
<u>Governance</u>	
Accountants Fees	400
TOTAL COSTS	<u>38,870</u>
NET INCOME /(EXPENDITURE)	<u>9,783</u>



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Methodist Girls High School OGA (UK Branch)

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 March 2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

1137343

Set out on pages

1 to 3

**Respective
responsibilities of
trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent
examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view, and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or

1. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

PJ Ward

Date:

29/01/2026

Name:

Patricia Jane Ward

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

FCMA, CGMA, MiP

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.