

DEDZA WELFARE TRUST

**ANNUAL REPORT AND
ACCOUNTS**

FOR YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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CHARITY INFORMATION

CHARITY TRUSTEES

Mr Mussa A Saleh	Chairman
Mr Bashir Ahmed Adam	Vice Chairman
Mr Suleman Ahmed Mogra	Treasurer
Mr Sabir Ebrahim Akuji	Vice Treasurer
Mr Mahomad Equbal Makda	Secretary
Mr Ismail Yusuf Alibhai	Vice Secretary
Mr Asif Gulam Mohammed Omarji	Malawi Secretary
Mr Mehboob Mussa Sidat	Trustee
Mr Aboobaker Ahmed	Trustee
Mr Hassan Momoniat	Trustee
Mr Ayub Adam	Trustee
Mr Bilal Mulla	Trustee
Mr Zubair Sidat	Trustee

REGISTERED OFFICE

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REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER

1139363

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Yusuf Ghumra
Ghumra & Co Limited
Chartered Accountant
45 Broadway Road
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DEDZA WELFARE TRUST REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

The Charity Trustees, who are the members Executive Committee of the Trust, present their annual report and accounts for the year ended 31st March 2024. The Charity Trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities": in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the charity.

Governing document

The Trust is an unincorporated organisation formed by adoption of the original constitution dated 9 May 2010 as amended on 20 November 2010 and is registered as a Charity with Charity Commission for England and Wales under charity number 1139363.

Objects of the Association

The principal objects of Dedza Welfare Trust are:

- The relief of need and poverty by providing grants, equipment, emergency aid and resources as the trustees from time to time determine.
- To promote the religion of Islam and understanding of Islam for the public benefit.
- The relief of sickness and the promotion of health.
- The advance of education.
- The promotion of such other purposes as are exclusively charitable under the laws of England and Wales as the trustees from time to time determine.

Charity Trustees

The Executive Committee (and Honorary Officers) is elected by the members at the annual general meeting to serve for a period of two year commencing the end of that meeting.

The Current Charity Trustees are shown on page 1.

The following resigned on 14 May 2023:

Mr Imtihaz Abdul Rehman Bhamjee;
Mr Omar F Essat;
Mr Mohamed Rafik Adam Yusuf;
Mr Mahomed Altaf Ahmed Sacranie;
Mr Ibrahim Isap Isat;
Mr Nazir Ahmed Isat.

The following were appointed on 14 May 2023:

Mr Ayub Adam;
Mr Bilal Mulla;
Mr Zuber Sidat.

Governance and management

The Trust is governed by an Executive Committee, which is responsible to the membership for the effective management of the Trust. The Executive Committee comprises a minimum of 3 Honorary Officers members.

Meetings are held on a regular basis.

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

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

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

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

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts Reports) Regulations 2015 and trust deed. 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.

Review of Activities and Future Developments

The statement of financial activities for the year is set out on page 6 of the accounts.

The trust collected voluntary donations amounting to £895,589 from well-wishers and the general public.

This has been used in providing vital aid to affected parts of Malawi and other parts of the world. During the year, the trust distributed £ 930,271 for needy causes – see note 2 on page 9.

Surplus is being held pending evaluation of some specific projects that the trustees feel would be of enduring benefit to alleviate poverty and disease.

The trustees always bear in mind unforeseen emergencies that may require urgent application of funds.

Public Interest

In planning activities the trustees kept in mind the Charity Commissioner's guidance on public benefit at the meetings.

Our main partners in the delivery of aid to beneficiaries and affected areas in Malawi are Dedza Welfare Charity Trust, An-Nasihah Trust and Islamic Zakat Fund.

Regulations and Outside Bodies

We have registered as data controller with the Information Commissioner as required by the Data Protection Act 1998.

Volunteers

On many occasions the Association involves volunteers in the delivery of its activities. We have a full range of policies and procedures operating to ensure this involvement is successful and beneficial to all parties.

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Risk Management

The trustees actively review the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining reserves at current levels, combined with an annual review of controls over key financial systems, will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions.

Approved by the Board of the Charity Trustees on **15 August 2024** and signed on their behalf:

Mussa A Saleh
Chairman

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF DEDZA WELFARE TRUST

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024 which are set out on pages 6 to 11.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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

Independent examiner's statement

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Yusuf Ghumra BSc FCA

Chartered Accountant

15 August 2024

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Income from:					
Voluntary donations		-	895,590	895,590	675,656
Gift aid		-	-	-	90,114
Other		-	-	-	300
Total income		<u>-</u>	<u>895,590</u>	<u>895,590</u>	<u>766,070</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	2	25,477	904,794	930,271	726,178
Management and administration	3	9,810	-	9,810	18,382
Total expenditure		<u>35,287</u>	<u>904,794</u>	<u>940,081</u>	<u>744,560</u>
Net Income / (expenditure)		(35,287)	(9,204)	(44,491)	21,510
Total funds brought forward		102,373	221,446	323,819	302,309
Total funds carried forward		<u>67,086</u>	<u>212,242</u>	<u>279,328</u>	<u>323,819</u>

The notes on pages 7 and 10 form part of these accounts.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	6	-	14	14	3,485
Cash at bank and in hand		67,100	212,228	279,328	323,820
		<u>67,100</u>	<u>212,242</u>	<u>279,342</u>	<u>327,305</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	7	(14)	-	(14)	(3,486)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>67,086</u>	<u>212,242</u>	<u>279,328</u>	<u>323,819</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>67,086</u>	<u>212,242</u>	<u>279,328</u>	<u>323,819</u>
INCOME FUNDS					
Unrestricted funds		67,086	-	67,086	102,373
Restricted funds		-	212,242	212,242	221,446
		<u>67,086</u>	<u>212,242</u>	<u>279,328</u>	<u>323,819</u>

Approved by the Board of the Charity Trustees on **15 August 2024** and signed on their behalf:

Suleman Mogra
Treasurer

Mussa A Saleh
Chairman

DEDZA WELFARE TRUST NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

1. Summary of significant accounting policies

General information and basis of preparation

Dedza Welfare Trust is an unincorporated organisation formed by adoption of the original constitution dated 9 May 2010 and is registered as a Charity with Charity Commission for England and Wales under charity number 1139363. The address of the registered office is given in the charity information on page 1 of these financial statements. The nature of the charity's operations and principal activities are:

- The relief of need and poverty by providing grants, equipment, emergency aid and resources as the trustees from time to time determine.
- To promote the religion of Islam and understanding of Islam for the public benefit.
- The relief of sickness and the promotion of health.
- The advance of education.
- The promotion of such other purposes as are exclusively charitable under the laws of England and Wales as the trustees from time to time determine.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with:

- Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019;
- the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102);
- the Charities Act 2011; and
- UK Generally Accepted Practice.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value.

The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

Funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The cost of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

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Income recognition

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the amount can be measured reliably and it is probable that the income will be received.

For donations to be recognised the charity will have been notified of the amounts and the settlement date in writing. If there are conditions attached to the donation and this requires a level of performance before entitlement can be obtained then income is deferred until those conditions are fully met or the fulfilment of those conditions is within the control of the charity and it is probable that they will be fulfilled.

Donated facilities and donated professional services are recognised in income at their fair value when their economic benefit is probable, it can be measured reliably and the charity has control over the item. Fair value is determined on the basis of the value of the gift to the charity. For example the amount the charity would be willing to pay in the open market for such facilities and services. A corresponding amount is recognised in expenditure.

No amount is included in the financial statements for volunteer time in line with the SORP (FRS 102). Further detail is given in the Trustees' Annual Report.

Expenditure recognition

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. It is categorised under the following headings:

- Expenditure on charitable activities includes grants made and funds applied to provide direct assistance
- Other expenditure represents those items not falling into the categories above.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as an expense against the activity for which expenditure arose.

Grants payable to third parties are within the charitable objectives. Where unconditional grants are offered, this is accrued as soon as the recipient is notified of the grant, as this gives rise to a reasonable expectation that the recipient will receive the grants. Where grants are conditional relating to performance then the grant is only accrued when any unfulfilled conditions are outside of the control of the charity.

Foreign currency

Foreign currency transactions are initially recognised by applying to the foreign currency amount the spot exchange rate between the functional currency and the foreign currency at the date of the transaction.

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in a foreign currency at the balance sheet date are translated using the closing rate.

Tax

The charity is an exempt charity within the meaning of schedule 3 of the Charities Act 2011 and is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes.

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2. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Malawi - Ramadan Food Packs	-	84,512	84,512	118,842
Malawi - Education & Sponsorship	-	233,021	233,021	123,482
Malawi – Women welfare and education	-	5,830	5,830	9,430
Malawi – Islamic education and Buildings maintenance	-	187,500	187,500	262,070
Malawi - Orphanage Support	-	65,580	65,580	52,620
Malawi – Clean Water Projects	-	14,682	14,682	22,750
Global Aid appeals				75,600
Malawi	-	41,377	41,377	-
Yemen	-	15,000	15,000	-
Palestine	-	215,000	215,000	-
Malawi – Self Sustaining Projects (goat farming)	-	32,237	32,237	54,634
Malawi - Islamic Books	-	10,055	10,055	2,750
Malawi – Cyclone Freddy Appeal	15,477	-	15,477	-
Morocco – Earthquake Appeal	10,000	-	10,000	-
Global - Housing Projects	-	-	-	4,000
	<u>25,477</u>	<u>904,794</u>	<u>930,271</u>	<u>726,178</u>

3. Analysis of expenditure on Management and administration

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Printing	2,501	-	2,501	7,340
Independent Examiners' remuneration	462	-	462	462
Bank charges	2,851	-	2,851	2,803
Sundries	1,174	-	1,174	2,483
Website expenses	252	-	252	719
Marketing	490	-	490	1,317
Cost of Trustee's meetings	1,946	-	1,946	840
Travelling	134	-	134	2,418
	<u>9,810</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,810</u>	<u>18,382</u>

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4. Trustees and related parties

Trustee expenses and remuneration

	2024	2023
Number of trustees who were paid expenses	<u>None</u>	<u>None</u>
Total amount paid	<u>Nil</u>	<u>Nil</u>
Trustees' Remuneration	<u>Nil</u>	<u>Nil</u>

Material interest of the trustees

No trustee had a material interest in any contracts during the year.

6. Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other Debtors	14	3,485
	<u>14</u>	<u>3,485</u>

7. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other creditors	14	3,486
	<u>14</u>	<u>3,486</u>