



2024-2025 ANNUAL REPORT

The annual report and financial statement of the trustees of Global Care International for the year ending 31 March 2025.



Global Care is an international Christian charity providing relief, development and education for vulnerable children.

Help a vulnerable child. Grow a strong adult.

GUATEMALA

ALBANIA : SYRIA II
MOROCCO LEBANON
SOUTH SUDAN ETHIOPIA
UGANDA KENYA
ZAMBIA MALAWI
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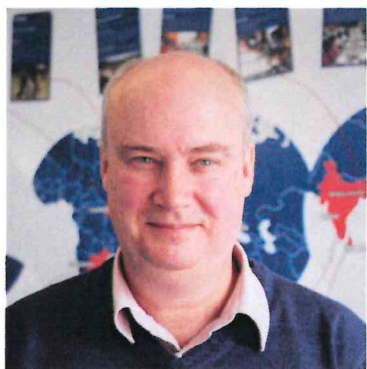


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Trustees' Report

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (effective 1 January 2019).

Objectives & Activities

To promote any charitable purpose for the benefit of the community in the United Kingdom or throughout the world as the trustees see fit, in particular, but not exclusively, by the following means:

ONE The promotion of the voluntary sector for the public benefit, in particular, but not exclusively, by the following means:

- a. promoting, encouraging and supporting volunteering and community involvement by individuals
- b. providing opportunities for individuals to volunteer
- c. providing assistance and training for volunteers
- d. raising awareness of the needs of poor, sick, distressed, vulnerable and under-educated persons and communities in the UK and throughout the world

TWO The relief of those in need by reason of poverty, discrimination, maltreatment, youth, ill health, disability or other disadvantage, especially vulnerable children.



THREE Carrying out all of the charity's activities in accordance with the Christian ethos statement and the values charter of the charity.



OBJECTIVE ONE

In December 2024, nine volunteers and Global Care's Head of Operations visited our programme in Rukungiri, Uganda. During the trip, the team ran four children's activity days and visited the homes of sponsored children.

The trip gave volunteers the opportunity to better understand the needs of vulnerable children living in Rukungiri, experience first-hand the work of Global Care, meet local staff, and personally witness the impact of their giving and fundraising. The team received appropriate training and support. As a direct result of their trip, volunteers sponsored six new children. Volunteers shared their experiences through presentations to family, friends, churches and work colleagues.



The public benefit of this activity is to promote the voluntary sector by supporting volunteering and community involvement of individuals, providing opportunity for individuals to volunteer, and raising awareness of the needs of vulnerable and disadvantaged communities.



38 people from across the UK took part in our annual '50 miles in 30 days' walking challenge in January 2025 and raised £6,350 towards the costs of providing essential nutrition for vulnerable children with HIV/AIDs at the Kadella centre in Sri Lanka.

For the first time, four supporters took part in the Great North Run in September 2024 to raise funds for Global Care. They raised £4,301 for our Children at Risk programme.

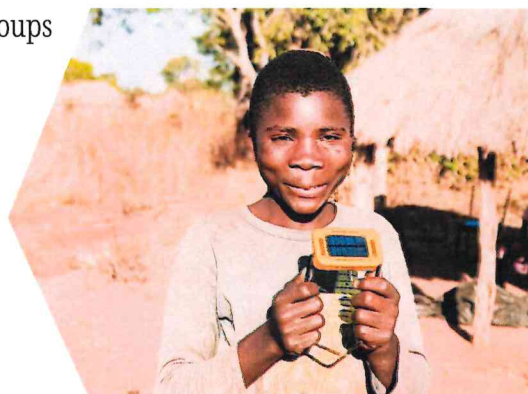
In the UK, a team of volunteers worked alongside shop managers at Global Care's two charity shops in the Coventry and Warwickshire area. Volunteers sorted stock, supported sales, and chatted to customers, raising funds for our overseas programmes, and promoting our work. Volunteers also worked alongside our UK office teams helping with general administrative tasks, finance, marketing, communications, and IT. Volunteers in all roles receive appropriate training for their role and in working in the charity sector.

The public benefit of these activities is to promote, encourage and support volunteering and community involvement by individuals by providing opportunities to volunteer and training for volunteers.

We raised awareness of the needs of marginalised people and communities, through a wide range of communications to supporters including newsletters, project updates and multimedia resources.

Through social media and speaking engagements to groups including churches and community groups, we raised awareness to the wider public. We delivered donor programmes which equip people to make a difference for vulnerable children through sponsorship or by becoming a Global Care 'Change Maker'.

The public benefit of these activities is to raise awareness of the needs of poor, sick, distressed, vulnerable and under-educated persons and communities throughout the world.



OBJECTIVE TWO

Our child sponsorship programme supports 763 vulnerable children, including children living in extreme poverty in Sri Lanka, India, Guatemala, Uganda, Zambia, and Kenya, and orphaned and abandoned children in residential settings in Zimbabwe and Bangladesh.

In response to a growing demand for children to be admitted to the home in Bangladesh from families struggling with dire poverty, who were otherwise safe, we supported our partners Love Your Neighbour (LYN) to pilot a project to help families to take care of children's needs in the community. Through sponsorship, three children who could have become so-called 'economic orphans' continue to live with their families, rather than in residential care, and LYN provide food, educational supplies and toiletries, and family support.

In Zimbabwe, all the children living in

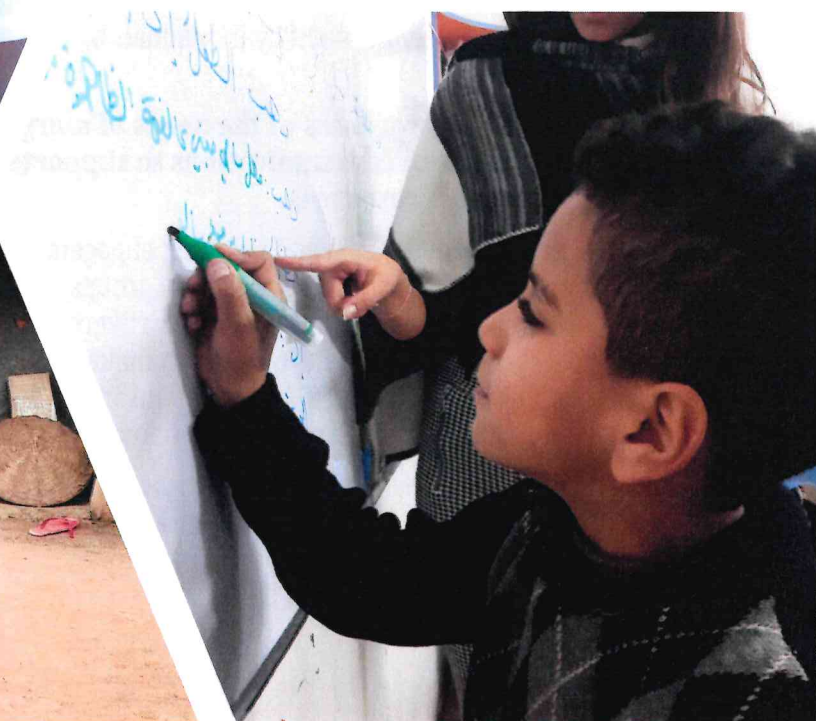
residential care are abused and abandoned and require a place of safety and refuge. When appropriate, our partners work with social workers to enable some children to move to live with extended family. All the children are making good progress at school and the local team work hard to prepare children for independent futures.

In Kenya and India, we enabled the poorest children to receive free education at formal schools run by our partners. We supported children with little or no previous education to receive 'informal' schooling in Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, India, and Cambodia. Providing basic education, these initiatives equip children for formal schooling at government primary schools.

We supported the most vulnerable children in the most unstable countries. We provided informal schooling in Syria. In Myanmar, we supported rural primary school teachers and facilitated older children to attend one of the only high schools in an under-resourced remote region of Kayah State. In South Sudan we supported Thurlith School in Akon, which provides 450 children with appropriate care, quality education, and life and work skills.

We facilitated the construction of a kitchen, office, and two pit latrines on the school compound. Through our Harvest Appeal, we provided emergency food and medicines for 100 of the most vulnerable families living as refugees in Akon (including 297 children).

In Ethiopia, we supported 150 women to work





towards economic stability through 10 self-help groups in the district of Koshe. Children of these mothers now go to school as families can afford educational materials, food and clothes.

The public benefit of these activities is to provide vulnerable children with health, welfare, and educational support, to promote equity of access to education and to provide safety and security for children in dangerous situations.

We continued to provide support for children with disabilities in Soroti, Uganda, through the Disability Support Officer (DCO).

Each quarter, the DCO travelled throughout the area providing individual assessment and then appropriate support for 35 isolated children with disability and their families, and helping children and families access local service providers. The DCO advocates for disabled children, working to end their isolation, neglect and discrimination. Wherever possible, the DCO supported children to access local government schools.

In Sri Lanka, we supported the Kadella Centre, in Colombo, which provides support and advocacy for children affected directly or indirectly by HIV/AIDS. The Kadella Centre ensures these children continue to receive education, monitors their home lives, and addresses nutritional and medical needs. The team also seeks to create an environment free from discrimination and stigma for children with HIV. We enabled the provision of extra nutrition for 26 children who are HIV+, identified by our partners as being particularly vulnerable.

The public benefit of these activities is to provide relief for children in need because of disability and ill health, and to make families better aware of their rights, responsibilities, and services available. This in turn supports children's education, independence,

and well-being.

In Bangladesh our partners support 20 Education Nurturing Centres (Learning Booster Centres) which provide educational support for 300 children in marginalised communities, and train mothers in income-generating activities.

40 older students receive appropriate training and support, and act as mentors to younger children. They receive a small stipend and fees for examinations, enabling them to continue their studies without needing to seek work. 195 mothers connected to the centres received ducklings or vegetable seeds, and training on poultry farming and vegetable cultivation, to support income generation for the family.

The public benefit of these activities is to ensure children can access equitable quality education and provide relief of those in need by reason of poverty.

We continue to provide skills training for teenage girls in Soroti, Uganda, and to support Girls' clubs at four primary schools in Rukungiri, Uganda.

Girls Clubs provide a safe space where, through mentoring and peer support, 419 girls could have open, clear conversations and teaching on sex and sexuality and other relevant topics. In rural Malawi, we continue to support a termly mentoring programme for secondary aged girls through our partnership with Muthange Community-Based Organisation (CBO).

The public benefit of these activities is to bring relief to girls in need by reason of poverty, discrimination, maltreatment, youth, ill health, disability or other disadvantage. These activities also provide vulnerable girls with health, welfare, and educational support, and provide safety and security for girls in dangerous situations.

OBJECTIVE THREE

We work with vulnerable children regardless of their own faith or ethnicity, seeking justice for all children, because we believe every child is unique and precious in the eyes of God. We aim to express and share the love of God through our actions, dependent on God's faithfulness, recognising that He will provide the resources for this work.

Our 'CARES' mnemonic describes our values - Christ-centred, Authentic, Relational, Enterprising, Serving. All staff and volunteers are made aware of our CARES values, and we regularly discuss CARES values as part of support and supervision meetings.

We value our prayer partners, providing a monthly prayer guide for supporters and occasional prayer days which are open to all. We promote a culture of honesty, effective communication and accountability and seek to ensure all our

programmes are regularly reviewed and measures taken where improvement is needed.

We ensure that we work with international partners who share our values. We work with grassroots partners, who seek to care for their own community, providing them with oversight and resources. Their local knowledge helps us identify the most vulnerable children in their community and understand their needs. For this exchange to work, we place a high value on relationships.

We visit our partners in person and cultivate openness and honesty with them. Our Christian and organisational values are made clear at any meeting with potential partners.

The public benefit of these activities is to create a charitable organisation which is open, transparent and accountable, and which seeks justice for all children.

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.



Global Care Cares

Christ-Centred • Authentic • Relational • Enterprising • Serving



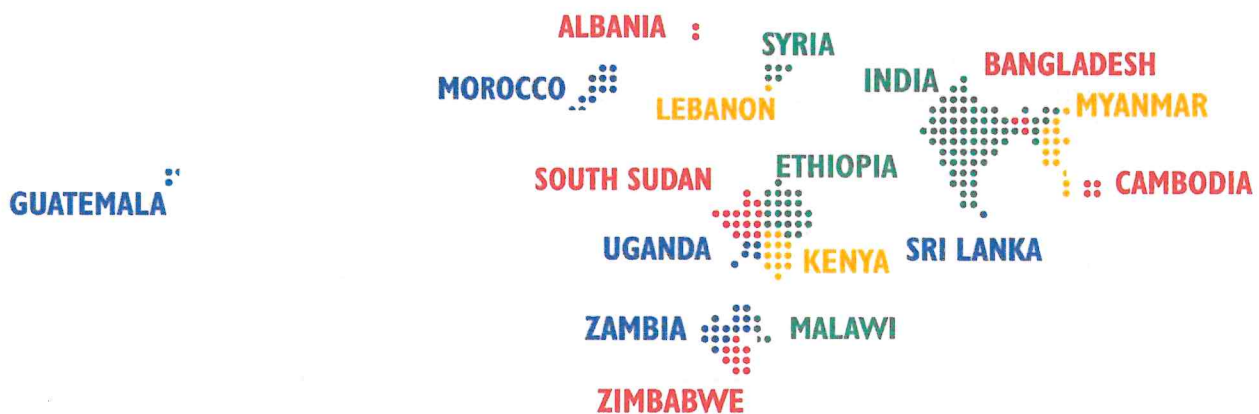
Achievements & Performance

SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS AGAINST OBJECTIVES

Global Care has this year been operational in 17 countries, on three continents, with currently 28 projects directly serving many thousands of children and young people, plus hundreds more in temporary relief aid situations.

The countries of operation included:

- Albania
- Bangladesh
- Cambodia
- Ethiopia
- Guatemala
- India
- Kenya
- Lebanon
- Malawi
- Morocco
- Myanmar
- South Sudan
- Sri Lanka
- Syria
- Uganda
- Zambia
- Zimbabwe



Global Care also operates 2 charity shops in the Coventry and Warwickshire area of the UK.



What We Planned To Do In 2024-2025 & What We Achieved

Plan

Start to implement a new large “women and water” project in Ethiopia.

Fund and implement a new water project at a school in Kabompo, Zambia.

Identify new donor database software and a supplier who can help us implement our new Fundraising Strategic plan

Carry out a pilot programme to see the feasibility of adding E-commerce to support the sales in our shops. Hold an official opening of our refurbished shop in Radford.

Appoint a new Fundraising Officer to support our activities to attract new donors.

Achieved

Launched 1st October – currently have 13 groups formed, 4 wells constructed (serving approx. 48 women/families and 280 children). Total impact once all 13 wells are in operation will be 156 women/families and over 1000 children served.

This was done successfully and now over 700 children have access to clean water every school day at M8 school in Kabompo.

We managed to identify suitable donor database software. This year we will fundraise to enable us to implement this new donor base.

This pilot programme was completed by the end of the reporting period. We intend to develop it further in the coming year.

We managed to appoint a new Fundraising Officer who has been promoting our work in new and varied ways.



The charity undertakes a range of fundraising activities each year, including three key appeals at Lent, Harvest and Christmas, which are driven through postal and email communications with existing engaged supporters and social media activity, to reach a broader audience.

Social media activity for appeals includes, but is not limited to, paid advertising on Facebook and Instagram. In addition, the charity organises a small number of one-off fundraising events.

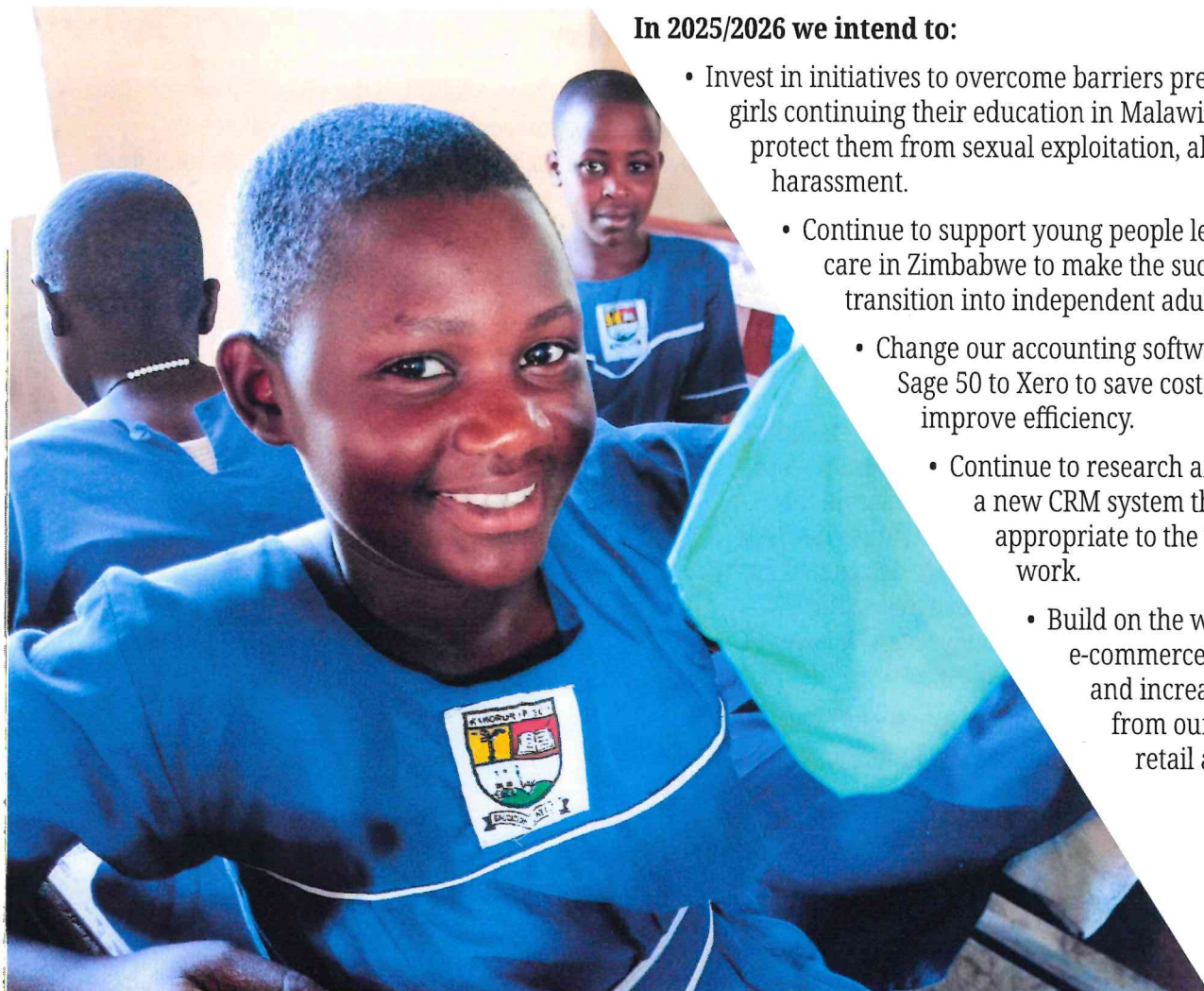
All these activities are undertaken following the Fundraising Code as prescribed by the Fundraising Regulator. We are registered with the Fundraising Regulator.



Plans for 2025-2026

In 2025/2026 we intend to:

- Invest in initiatives to overcome barriers preventing girls continuing their education in Malawi and to help protect them from sexual exploitation, abuse and harassment.
- Continue to support young people leaving care in Zimbabwe to make the successful transition into independent adulthood.
- Change our accounting software from Sage 50 to Xero to save costs and improve efficiency.
- Continue to research and develop a new CRM system that is more appropriate to the way we work.
- Build on the work of our e-commerce pilot study and increase sales from our charity retail activities.



Financial Review

Reserves Policy

As a Christian charity, Global Care takes the position of its reserves very seriously and therefore prayerfully considers its position with regards to reserves in the continuing changing environment facing all charities.

The Trustees, in consultation with executive staff, have reviewed the reserves policy. Given the current economic environment, it is prudent that Global Care ensure that its reserves policy provides a transparent understanding of the costs required to manage the charity.

Our unrestricted funds closing balance is £227,675 which includes all the fixed assets as well as our General Fund. £105,129 was held in our Designated fund. At the time of reporting the fund was designated to:

- (a) support the General fund to cover specific needs
 - (b) ensure that any deficit in any budget can be covered without affecting overseas project activities.
- Funds do fluctuate year to year.

£353,274 is held as restricted funds for our project activities. The funds do fluctuate year to year. Most of these restricted funds are clearly related to charitable activities in the countries where we fund the work to support vulnerable children.

Free Reserves

Following a review of the needs of the charity, it was determined that a free reserve of £44,000 should be held by the charity. (This is based on the approximate wind-up costs).

Free reserves, that is unrestricted reserves excluding fixed assets, at the end of the reporting period were £136,710 of which £105,129 were held within the designated fund for specific expected future needs as designated by the trustees. (These are designated for unexpected costs that might be incurred in the UK ensure that any deficit in any budget can be covered without affecting project activities).

This leaves a free undesignated reserve of £31,581. The free reserves figure does not include any debtors as funds would be received after the year end.

Fixed Assets

Details of all assets held on behalf of other charities and all changes in fixed assets are disclosed in the notes to the accounts.

Comments on Funding

Global Care met all its financial obligations, with reserves sufficient to cover any income shortfall. Its assets are available and considered adequate to meet all of its obligations, following an examination of each fund.

There are no material transactions other than those disclosed in the accounts.

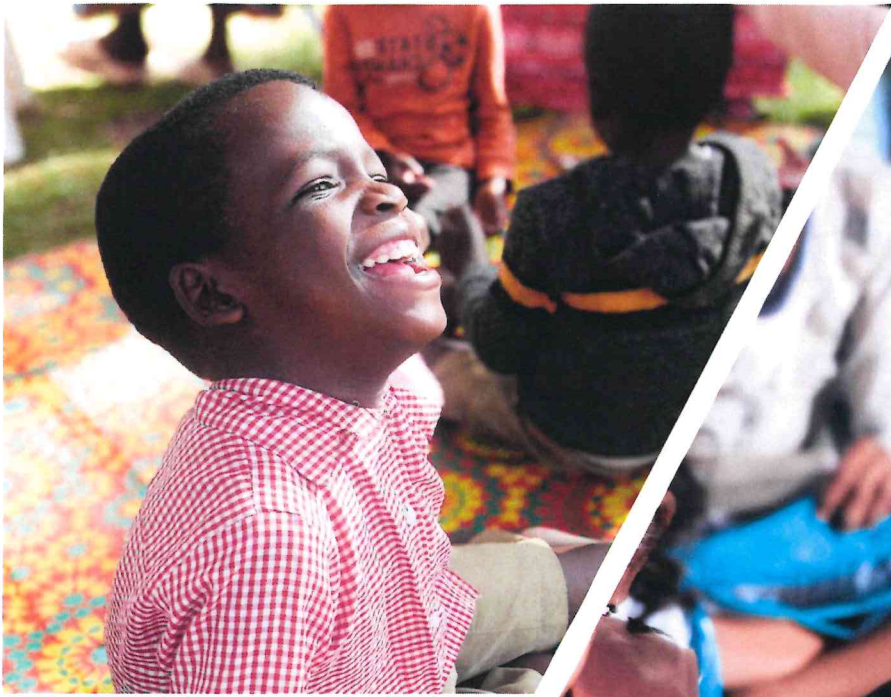
Many donors come from the Coventry area but we do have a wider national appeal with significant support bases in the North East and North West of England.

Besides the UK trust income that we are granted all our funds come from either churches, groups, or individuals.

We also have two charity shops which generate income for the charity.

Risk Policy

The Trustees have identified the risks that might affect the charity, and review the charity's policies and procedures regularly to minimise any risks identified.



Structure, Governance & Management

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and registered with the Charity Commission (number 1142624).

On 1 April, 2022 Global Care merged with Global Care Volunteers, by way of gift of net assets from Global Care to Global Care Volunteers, and the charity was renamed to Global Care International. The merged charity is trading as Global Care International. The Code of Governance and Articles of Association were also revised and updated to better reflect best practise.

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

J Edwards	K Parr (Resigned 24 May 2025)
J Foss	J Powell
S Matejtschuk	H Tucker
K McCann	
J Ombudo (Appointed 1 March 2025)	

Trustees are appointed by invitation from the Board of Trustees, on the advice and recommendation of the CEO. The CEO undertakes initial enquiries and selection of candidates on behalf of the trustees on the basis of their suitability, personal qualities, specific knowledge and the expertise which they can offer to the charity. Candidates usually meet the Trustees informally in the first instance and then attend as 'observers'.

They are then formally selected and invited to join the Board. New Trustees are invited to the charity's headquarters to meet management staff and to familiarise themselves with all aspects of the charity's work.

New Trustees are encouraged and invited to attend external seminars, workshops and courses concerning their work as charity Trustees.

None of the trustees has any beneficial interest in the company. All of the trustees are members of the company and guarantee to contribute £1 in the event

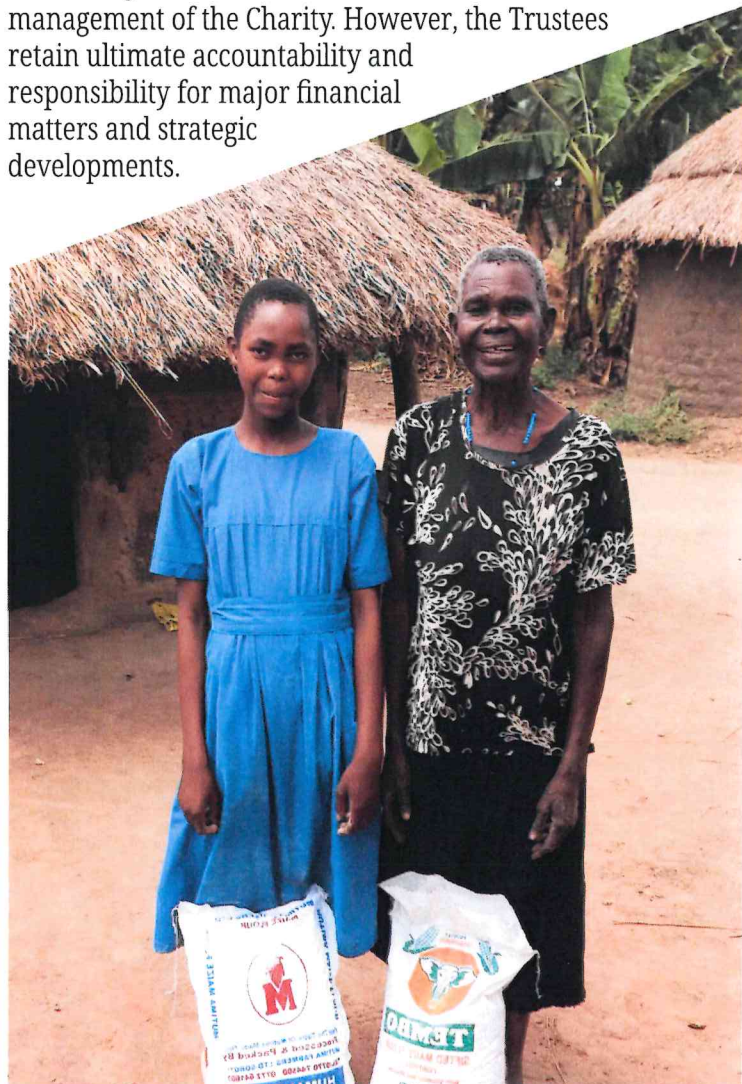
of a winding up.

The Board of Trustees remain responsible for all the ultimate strategic decisions of the charity, having regard to the policies of the Charity Commission and on the advice of the Chief Executive Officer and senior management staff. The Trustees fully recognise and accept all of the legal and financial responsibilities and are kept fully informed of charity law changes.

The Board normally meets three times a year and on other occasions as required. The meetings are usually held at the charity's headquarters.

The Board is served by its Chief Executive (who is also the Trust's Executive Secretary of Global Care) and also by a Minutes Secretary.

Overall day to day operational/management decisions are taken by the Chief Executive and the senior management team. Considerable authority has been delegated to the Chief Executive for the overall management of the Charity. However, the Trustees retain ultimate accountability and responsibility for major financial matters and strategic developments.



The Trustees ensure, by means of the Finance Sub-Committee (which meets additionally three times annually) that the charity keeps proper accounting records which disclose the financial position of the charity.

All Trustees are provided with quarterly financial 'Management accounts' and approve the Annual Budget proposals. These are scrutinised beforehand by the Finance Sub-Committee who also monitor and control the charity's financial affairs in detail for the Trustees. They are also assisted in the preparation of the Annual Report and Financial Statements by the charity's staff. The Trustees annually appoint an Auditor for the charity. The full Board of Trustees remains ultimately responsible and accountable for all major decisions, policy approval and all financial matters.

Each year the trustees review the salaries of all staff. Reviews are carried out of any salary increases being made in the Private sector and Public sector. This is used as a basis for setting any salary increases. The salary increases are agreed upon during February and March and are implemented from the first of April.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



H Tucker

Trustee

13 September 2025

Date



Independent Examiner's Report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Global Care International (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2025.



Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity (and also its directors for the purposes of company law), you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the charity are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011.

In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act 2011.



Independent examiner's statement

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000, the independent examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. 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 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 386 of the Companies Act 2006.
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or



3. the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 other than any requirement that the financial statements give a true and fair view, which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the financial statements 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 financial statements 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 financial statements to be reached.

W A Hubbard

Wende Hubbard FCCA

Burgis & Bullock

13th September 2025

Date

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Statement of Financial Activities Including Income and Expenditure Account

For the year ended 31 March 2025

		Unrestricted funds general	Unrestricted funds Designated	Restricted funds	Total	Unrestricted funds general	Unrestricted funds Designated	Restricted funds	Total
	Notes	2025 £	2025 £	2025 £	2025 £	2024 £	2024 £	2024 £	2024 £
Income and endowments from:									
Donations and legacies	3	95,425	30,805	683,239	809,469	130,025	13,014	607,816	750,855
Other trading activities	4	108,073	-	-	108,073	96,625	-	-	96,625
Investments	5	9,717	-	-	9,717	9,308	-	-	9,308
Other income	6	-	-	16,051	16,051	-	-	-	-
Total income		<u>213,215</u>	<u>30,805</u>	<u>699,290</u>	<u>943,310</u>	<u>235,958</u>	<u>13,014</u>	<u>607,816</u>	<u>856,788</u>
Expenditure on:									
Raising funds	7	141,269	-	7,247	148,516	145,532	-	3,325	148,857
Charitable activities	8	286,621	203	532,254	819,078	266,329	3,658	479,882	749,869
Total expenditure		<u>427,890</u>	<u>203</u>	<u>539,501</u>	<u>967,594</u>	<u>411,861</u>	<u>3,658</u>	<u>483,207</u>	<u>898,726</u>
Net gains/(losses) on investments	13	<u>(11,960)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(11,960)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		<u>(226,635)</u>	<u>30,602</u>	<u>159,789</u>	<u>(36,244)</u>	<u>(175,903)</u>	<u>9,356</u>	<u>124,609</u>	<u>(41,938)</u>
Transfers between funds	15	<u>214,183</u>	<u>(34,774)</u>	<u>(179,409)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>201,117</u>	<u>(45,870)</u>	<u>(155,247)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds	10	<u>(12,452)</u>	<u>(4,172)</u>	<u>(19,620)</u>	<u>(36,244)</u>	<u>25,214</u>	<u>(36,514)</u>	<u>(30,638)</u>	<u>(41,938)</u>
Reconciliation of funds:									
Fund balances at 1 April 2024		<u>240,127</u>	<u>109,301</u>	<u>372,894</u>	<u>722,322</u>	<u>214,913</u>	<u>145,815</u>	<u>403,532</u>	<u>764,260</u>
Fund balances at 31 March 2025		<u>227,675</u>	<u>105,129</u>	<u>353,274</u>	<u>686,078</u>	<u>240,127</u>	<u>109,301</u>	<u>372,894</u>	<u>722,322</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

Balance Sheet

As at 31 March 2025

	Notes	2025 £	£	2024 £	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	16		196,094		186,716
Investments	17		188,040		-
			<u>384,134</u>		<u>186,716</u>
Current assets					
Debtors	18	14,291		112,401	
Cash at bank and in hand		310,958		462,735	
		<u>325,249</u>		<u>575,136</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	19	(23,305)		(39,530)	
		<u></u>		<u></u>	
Net current assets			301,944		535,606
			<u></u>		<u></u>
Total assets less current liabilities			686,078		722,322
			<u></u>		<u></u>
The funds of the charity					
Restricted income funds	21		353,274		372,894
Unrestricted funds - general			227,675		240,127
Unrestricted funds - Designated	22		105,129		109,301
			<u>686,078</u>		<u>722,322</u>

The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 13 September 2025



S Matejtschuk

Trustee

Company registration number 07560813 (England & Wales)

Statement of Cash Flows

For the year ended 31 March 2025

	Notes	2025 £	£	2024 £	£
Cash flows from operating activities					
Cash generated from/(absorbed by) operations	27		54,545		(124,999)
Investing activities					
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(16,039)		(3,749)	
Purchase of investments		(200,000)		-	
Investment income received		9,717		9,308	
Net cash (used in)/generated from investing activities			(206,322)		5,559
Net cash used in financing activities			-		-
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents			(151,777)		(119,440)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			462,735		582,175
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year			310,958		462,735

Notes to the Financial Statement

For the year ended 31 March 2025

I. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Charity Information

Global Care International is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales.

The registered office is 2 Dugdale Road, Coventry, CV6 1PB.

I.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the Charities SORP "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (effective 1 January 2019). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

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

Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

I.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

I.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Designated funds comprise funds which have been set aside at the discretion of the trustees for specific purposes. The purposes and uses of the designated

funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors or grantors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

I.4 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

For legacies, entitlement is taken as the earlier of the date on which either: 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.

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.

Grants are accounted for when all the conditions of receipt have been met.

I.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, 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 classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges are allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Freehold buildings	SL over 75 years
Computers	SL over 2 - 5 years

Freehold land is not depreciated.

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.7 Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting date. Changes in fair value are recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

1.8 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss.

If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

1.9 Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell. Cost comprises direct materials and, where applicable, direct labour costs and those overheads that have

been incurred in bringing the stocks to their present location and condition.

Items held for distribution at no or nominal consideration are measured the lower of replacement cost and cost.

Donated items of stock for resale or distribution are not included in the financial statements until they are sold or distributed, because the Trustees consider it impractical to assess the net realisable value of donated stocks. This is because their eventual sale value is uncertain, there are no systems in place to record these items until they are sold and undertaking a stock take would incur undue cost which would outweigh the benefits.

1.10 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.11 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest.

Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective

interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.12 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

1.13 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

2. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

Key sources of estimation uncertainty

Contribution to supported costs

An Activity Based Costings model is used to calculate the amount to be allocated to restricted funds to cover overhead costs.

The Designated Response fund is reviewed regularly by the trustees and transfers made to restricted and unrestricted funds when the need arises. At the time of reporting the fund was designated to ensure that any deficit in any budget can be covered without affecting project activities.

Where The Need Is Greatest fund managed within the General Fund.

3. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted funds general	Unrestricted funds designated	Restricted funds	Total	Unrestricted funds general	Unrestricted funds designated	Restricted funds	Total
	2025	2025	2025	2025	2024	2024	2024	2024
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	71,422	49	597,130	668,601	34,576	14	559,508	594,098
Legacies receivable	14,503	30,756	-	45,259	92,449	13,000	10,250	115,699
Grants	-	-	17,009	17,009	3,000	-	-	3,000
Income from Trusts	9,500	-	69,100	78,600	-	-	38,058	38,058
	<u>95,425</u>	<u>30,805</u>	<u>683,239</u>	<u>809,469</u>	<u>130,025</u>	<u>13,014</u>	<u>607,816</u>	<u>750,855</u>

Grants

During the year £17,009 was received from The State of Guernsey.

4. INCOME FROM OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Shop income	106,840	95,818
Other income	<u>1,233</u>	<u>807</u>
Other trading activities	<u>108,073</u>	<u>96,625</u>

5. INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Other income	<u>9,717</u>	<u>9,308</u>

6. OTHER INCOME

	Restricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2024 £
Volunteer Trips	<u>16,051</u>	<u>-</u>

7. RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted funds general 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted funds general 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
<u>Fundraising and publicity</u>						
Advertising	24,085	7,247	31,332	38,343	3,325	41,668
<u>Trading costs</u>						
Operating charity shops	26,415	-	26,415	31,614	-	31,614
Staff costs	80,413	-	80,413	69,962	-	69,962
Governance costs	10,356	-	10,356	5,613	-	5,613
Trading costs	117,184	-	117,184	107,189	-	107,189
	141,269	7,247	148,516	145,532	3,325	148,857

8. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2025 £	2024 £
Staff costs	212,727	209,701
Depreciation and impairment	6,661	6,805
Travel overseas	24,779	22,062
Travel UK	2,646	1,624
Marketing information and communication	17,743	25,439
Information and education	2,665	2,482
Legal and professional	15,522	12,956
Property costs and supplies	25,037	21,572
Other staff costs	2,119	1,395
Payments to international partners	482,470	421,187
	792,369	725,223
Share of governance costs (see note 9)	26,709	24,646
	819,078	749,869
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds - general	286,621	266,329
Unrestricted funds - designated	203	3,658
Restricted funds	532,254	479,882
	819,078	749,869

9. SUPPORT AND GOVERNANCE COSTS

	Governance costs	2025	2024
	£	£	£
Staff costs	20,674	20,674	8,777
Audit fees	3,990	3,990	3,800
Legal and professional	6,314	6,314	15,785
Charitable donations	600	600	600
Printing, postage and stationary	1,668	1,668	712
Telephone and fax	394	394	210
Other costs	3,425	3,425	375
	<u>37,065</u>	<u>37,065</u>	<u>30,259</u>
Analysed between			
Trading	10,356	10,356	5,613
Charitable activities	26,709	26,709	24,646
	<u>37,065</u>	<u>37,065</u>	<u>30,259</u>

10. NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	2025	2024
	£	£
The net movement in funds is stated after charging/(crediting):		
Fees payable for the independent examination of the charity's financial statements	3,990	3,800
Depreciation of owned tangible fixed assets	6,661	6,805
Operating lease charges	13,444	12,859
	<u>24,095</u>	<u>23,464</u>

II. TRUSTEES

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year, in respect of their role as a trustee.

I2. EMPLOYEES

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

2025 Number	2024 Number
12	11
<u>12</u>	<u>11</u>

Employment costs

	2025 £	2024 £
Wages and salaries	266,308	243,087
Social security costs	10,835	9,258
Other pension costs	36,671	36,095
	<u>313,814</u>	<u>288,440</u>

The number of employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000 is as follows:

	2025 Number	2024 Number
£60,001 to £70,000	1	1
	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

Remuneration of key management personnel

The remuneration of key management personnel was as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Aggregate compensation	194,532	185,754
	<u>194,532</u>	<u>185,754</u>

I3. GAINS AND LOSSES ON INVESTMENTS

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Gains/(losses) arising on:		
Revaluation of investments	(11,960)	-
	<u>(11,960)</u>	<u>-</u>

14. TAXATION

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

15. TRANSFERS

During the year transfers were made from the restricted funds to the general unrestricted fund. This relates to the Activity Based Costing model.

In addition a further £32,237 relating to "Where the need is greatest Fund" (WTNIG) was transferred from the general unrestricted funds to projects within the restricted fund.

16. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold land and buildings	Computers	Total
	£	£	£
Cost			
At 1 April 2024	185,366	16,069	201,435
Additions	14,604	1,435	16,039
Disposals	-	(2,930)	(2,930)
At 31 March 2025	199,970	14,574	214,544
Depreciation and impairment			
At 1 April 2024	7,375	7,344	14,719
Depreciation charged in the year	2,218	4,443	6,661
Eliminated in respect of disposals	-	(2,930)	(2,930)
At 31 March 2025	9,593	8,857	18,450
Carrying amount			
At 31 March 2025	190,377	5,717	196,094
At 31 March 2024	177,991	8,725	186,716

17. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Add investments 1 £
Cost or valuation	
At 1 April 2024	-
Additions	200,000
Valuation changes	(11,960)
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At 31 March 2025	188,040
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Carrying amount	
At 31 March 2025	188,040
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At 31 March 2024	-
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In January 2025 Global Care opened a CCLA (Churches, Charities and Local Authorities) account. CCLA is the largest charity fund manager in the UK and its values align with Global Care's own values with consideration for environmental, social and governance factors.

Global Care has chosen CCLA's COIF Charities Investment Fund as this has a proven track record of sustained growth over the long term, whilst understanding that short-term political anomalies will not undermine the longer-term return on investment overall.

COIF Charities Investment Fund (the fund) is governed by the Charities Act 2011 (as amended) and authorised by the Charity Commission.

18. DEBTORS

	2025 £	2024 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Other debtors	-	4,152
Prepayments and accrued income	14,291	108,249
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	14,291	112,401
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19. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Other taxation and social security	4,241	4,119
Trade creditors	7,082	22,301
Other creditors	4,611	3,810
Accruals and deferred income	7,371	9,300
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	23,305	39,530
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20. RETIREMENT BENEFIT SCHEMES

	2025	2024
Defined contribution schemes	£	£
Charge to profit or loss in respect of defined contribution schemes	36,671	36,095

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund.

21. RESTRICTED FUNDS

The restricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

	At 1 April 2024	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	At 31 March 2025
	£	£	£	£	£
Albania	-	5	(50)	45	-
Bangladesh	37,977	11,505	(30,240)	(11,447)	7,795
Burma	2,480	4,215	(5,605)	(1,090)	-
Cambodia	1,704	7,420	(4,262)	(2,246)	2,616
Ethiopia	(2,502)	75,802	(33,214)	(9,746)	30,340
Guatemala	2,363	31,685	(25,532)	(11,116)	(2,600)
India	30,429	82,024	(55,670)	(15,725)	41,058
Kenya	38,658	90,091	(60,252)	(24,200)	44,297
Lebanon	12,101	24,264	(29,676)	(6,689)	-
Morocco	(970)	2,226	(1,388)	132	-
South Sudan	1,955	2,086	(840)	(2,537)	664
Sri Lanka	42,398	39,645	(45,820)	(14,480)	21,743
Uganda	135,763	183,120	(140,751)	(51,420)	126,712
Zambia	187	19,912	(19,920)	902	1,081
Zimbabwe	(3,246)	9,422	(6,619)	443	-
Moving forward fund	1,388	-	(1,180)	2,293	2,501
Spurgeons income	3,808	-	-	-	3,808
Children at risk	38,165	74,938	(33,265)	(27,108)	52,730
Emergency relief fund	4,824	39,763	(25,199)	1,141	20,529
40th anniversary 2023	25,412	1,167	(20,018)	(6,561)	-
	<u>372,894</u>	<u>699,290</u>	<u>(539,501)</u>	<u>(179,409)</u>	<u>353,274</u>

21. RESTRICTED FUNDS (CONTINUED)

Previous year:	At 1 April 2023	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	At 31 March 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Albania	(2,005)	1,061	(2,051)	2,995	-
Bangladesh	67,607	11,869	(33,667)	(7,832)	37,977
Burma	7,995	6,365	(8,350)	(3,530)	2,480
Cambodia	5,218	7,428	(8,069)	(2,873)	1,704
Ethiopia	13,008	3,410	(11,936)	(6,984)	(2,502)
Guatemala	8,373	29,833	(26,456)	(9,387)	2,363
India	21,836	60,532	(35,707)	(16,232)	30,429
Kenya	11,508	84,359	(45,987)	(11,222)	38,658
Lebanon	16,972	14,928	(13,123)	(6,676)	12,101
Morocco	(66)	2,340	(1,845)	(1,399)	(970)
South Sudan	6,069	3,132	(4,168)	(3,078)	1,955
Sri Lanka	68,949	30,664	(41,013)	(16,202)	42,398
Uganda	86,876	199,398	(129,885)	(20,626)	135,763
Zambia	(2,058)	24,974	(15,379)	(7,350)	187
Zimbabwe	6,321	7,590	(10,614)	(6,543)	(3,246)
Moving forward fund	-	5,000	(596)	(3,016)	1,388
Spurgeons income	3,808	-	-	-	3,808
Children at risk	41,984	59,176	(45,808)	(17,187)	38,165
Emergency relief fund	23,427	1,156	(18,133)	(1,626)	4,824
40th anniversary 2023	17,710	54,601	(30,420)	(16,479)	25,412
	<u>403,532</u>	<u>607,816</u>	<u>(483,207)</u>	<u>(155,247)</u>	<u>372,894</u>

The funds do fluctuate year to year. Most of these restricted funds are clearly related to charitable activities in the countries that are named. Of important note this year are the funds held against these country activities;

- Ethiopia - Successful fundraising in 2024 for two large scale water projects has meant restricted balances are being held to complete these projects in late 2025 and early 2026.
- India (Kolkata) – Several legacies and one-off gifts have bolstered project funds. We expect that surplus balances will be used to meet essential costs not covered in the operational budget for 2025/6, such as responsive repairs and the capital cost of replacing equipment.
- Kenya – This project has benefited from several successful fundraising initiatives. As a result, we expect to be able to agree a funding uplift in response to inflationary pressures faced by the project. We are also holding some surplus funds to reinvest in school facilities, pending the signing of a new lease for the current premises.
- Uganda – Successful fundraising activities, combined with a concerted effort by local project partners to deliver improved value for money, has made funds available for the planned strategic development of services in Uganda in 2025/6, in line with regulatory and legal requirements. Restricted balances are also being held to deliver the final two years of a vocational training programme for young women.

- Children at Risk fund – This is an intervention fund which helps us act immediately. We use it to react in a crisis, to make up shortfalls in funding to project activities, support urgent medical needs and to establish new initiatives.
- Emergency relief funds – this fund is used to support project activity related to emergency situations – for example: natural disasters, during times of unexpected political or military instability. This fund helps projects support the children and families they work with at times of extreme crisis without delay.

22. UNRESTRICTED FUNDS: DESIGNATED

These are unrestricted funds which are material to the charity's activities.

	At 1 April 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2025 £
Designated response	109,301	30,805	(203)	(34,774)	105,129
	<u>109,301</u>	<u>30,805</u>	<u>(203)</u>	<u>(34,774)</u>	<u>105,129</u>
Previous year:					
	At 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2024 £
Designated response	99,945	13,014	(3,658)	-	109,301
Where the need is greatest	45,870	-	-	(45,870)	-
	<u>145,815</u>	<u>13,014</u>	<u>(3,658)</u>	<u>(45,870)</u>	<u>109,301</u>

The Designated Response fund is reviewed regularly by the trustees and transfers made to restricted and unrestricted funds when the need arises. At the time of reporting the fund was designated to ensure that any deficit in any budget can be covered without affecting project activities.

In the prior year the Where The Need Is Greatest fund was moved from the Designated Funds and is now managed within the General Fund.

23. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted funds general 2025 £	Unrestricted funds Designated 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £
At 31 March 2025:				
Tangible assets	196,094	-	-	196,094
Investments	188,040	-	-	188,040
Current assets/(liabilities)	(156,459)	105,129	353,274	301,944
	<u>227,675</u>	<u>105,129</u>	<u>353,274</u>	<u>686,078</u>
	Unrestricted funds general 2024 £	Unrestricted funds Designated 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
At 31 March 2024:				
Tangible assets	186,716	-	-	186,716
Current assets/(liabilities)	53,411	109,301	372,894	535,606
	<u>240,127</u>	<u>109,301</u>	<u>372,894</u>	<u>722,322</u>

24. CONTINGENT ASSETS

The charity has been notified that it is due to receive a share of income from a residual legacy. The expected legacy income has not yet been recognised in the financial statements due to the uncertainty regarding the amount of the receipt.

25. OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

Lessee

At the reporting end date the charity had outstanding commitments for future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases, which fall due as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Within one year	13,473	13,247
Between two and five years	47,135	52,000
In over five years	60,608	6,479
	<u>121,216</u>	<u>71,726</u>

26. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Transactions with related parties

During the year the charity entered into the following transactions with related parties:

	2025 £	2024 £
Trustee	-	30

In the prior year £30 was paid to Anthony Collins Solicitors LLP for legal services. Trustee Helen Tucker is a partner of Anthony Collins Solicitors LLP. No trustees were reimbursed for expenses in the year (2024 - £55).

27. CASH GENERATED FROM OPERATIONS

	2025 £	2024 £
Deficit for the year	(36,244)	(41,938)
Adjustments for:		
Investment income recognised in statement of financial activities	(9,717)	(9,308)
Fair value gains and losses on investments	11,960	-
Depreciation and impairment of tangible fixed assets	6,661	6,805
Movements in working capital:		
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	98,110	(96,433)
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	(16,225)	15,875
Cash generated from/(absorbed by) operations	54,545	(124,999)

28. ANALYSIS OF CHANGE IN NET FUNDS

The charity had no material debt during the year.



Our Children at Risk programme offers intervention for vulnerable children, exactly when they need it.

Starting at just £3 a month, Children at Risk donors know that their money makes a tremendous difference. The fund they contribute to enables us to reach out to children in unstable circumstances and desperate need.

When a drought destroys crops and threatens lives, Children at Risk provides food and resource to rebuild.

When a child's family hits a crisis that threatens their ability to survive and stay in school, Children at Risk provides the stability they need.

And, in unstable regions like Kayah State in Myanmar, Children at Risk sustains access to education and essential health supplies.

Airstrikes and drone attacks are a terrifying fact of life for children across rebel-controlled areas of Myanmar, including Kayah State, also known as Karenni State.

Trenches and 'foxholes' are dug around homes and schools, and children know that when they hear aircraft they must run for the jungle – or use the trenches as makeshift bomb shelters if they don't have time to reach the trees.



In southern Kayah State, Global Care's Children At Risk programme has been supporting 68 teachers and 134 students at four schools, including village primary schools and one of the region's only secondary schools – Po Hoe High School.

Life is often extremely difficult for these young people, whose families cannot afford to support them, but they know this is their only chance of completing their education. Gifts of rice and toiletries encourage children to keep going.

Children like 12-year-old *Zin, the youngest of seven children. She lives with her sister.

"I want to become a medic," she says. "I will work very hard to reach my future. May God bless you for your help."

Child sponsorship gives children on the margins of society the opportunity to thrive, not just today but as adults too.

Education is the most important gift a child can be given, but for many vulnerable children it is not an option. Poverty, discrimination and hunger get in the way, creating seemingly unassailable barriers.



But, when a child is sponsored, those barriers can be overcome. Sponsorship pays for a child's education and the resources they need to learn.

It can cover the cost of uniform and shoes, provide essential food for healthy development and give welfare support for children in vulnerable situations.

And it's truly transformational: for every year a girl is in primary education, her earning potential increases by 12%. A future out of poverty suddenly becomes possible.



Four-year-old *Mary lost most of her toes when she was burned in an accident when she was younger. One of her older sisters was also hurt.

It's hard for her dad, a rickshaw puller, to meet the basic needs of his family let alone his daughters' additional needs. The family often only ate one meal a day, and the oldest daughter was on the verge of dropping out of school.

Then our partners met the family. We found a sponsor for Mary, who now has all her educational needs met.

Thanks to our partner's intervention and Mary's sponsor, she is thriving in school. Not only that, but the extra support for Mary means that the family can focus their resources on providing for their other two daughters. All three sisters are now in school and likely to stay there.





Our ChangeMaker projects enable the transformation of communities.

In Uganda, our Disability Community Outreach project identifies vulnerable children living with disabilities in the villages around Soroti district.

These children are often neglected by families that have neither the resource nor the knowledge to help them thrive.

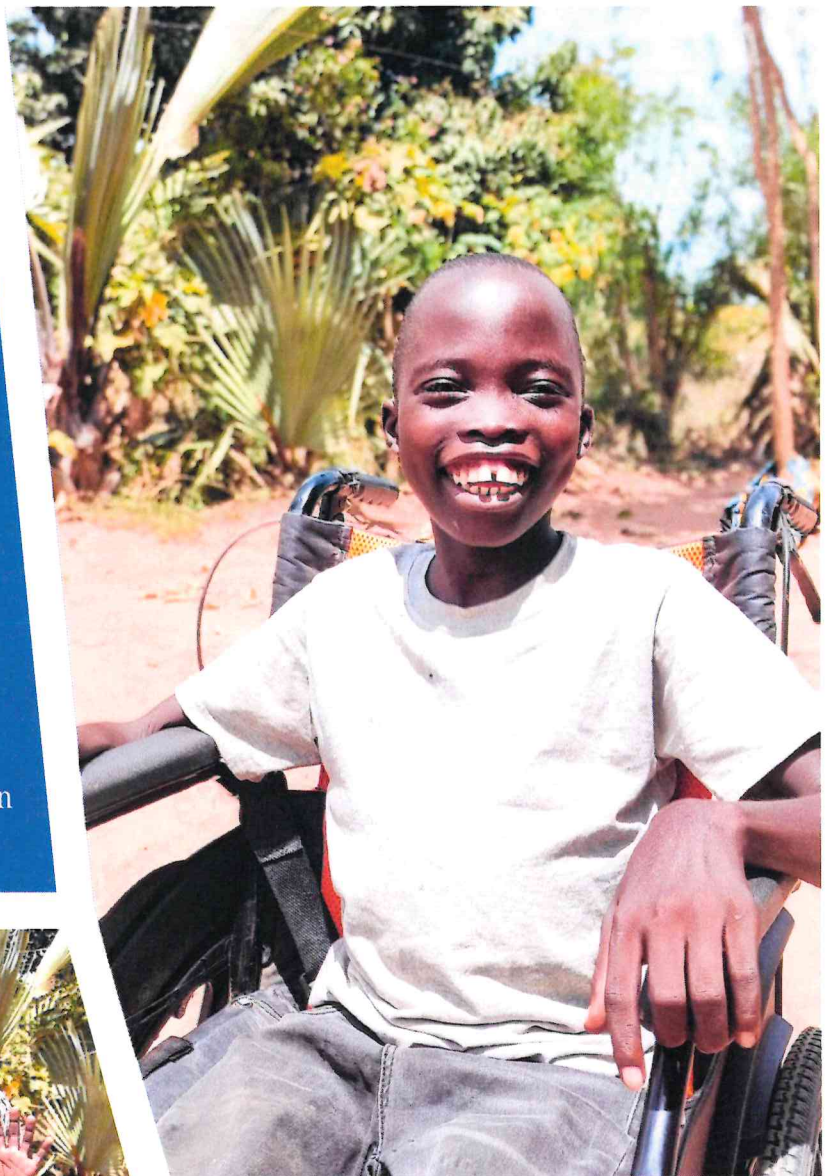
Since the project began in 2021, over 300 'hidden' children have been identified in five rural districts with the help of community leaders.

Salume, our Disability Community Outreach Officer, assesses each child and enables access to targetted support.

For 11-year-old *Bale, this changed his life. He has sickle cell anaemia and has been unable to walk due to joint swellings since he was six.

He now has a wheelchair and, thanks to Salume's referral, had a physiotherapy assessment. His family carry out physiotherapy exercises with Bale every day.

Once dependent on family carrying him around, Bale is now able to move around his community independently and is back in school. He says he is no longer living in isolation – instead, he feels free and happy.





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