



**ANNUAL REPORT AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5th APRIL 2024**

**Charity Registration Number 1152631  
Charity Registration SC052271 (Scotland)**

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## **AMPLIFYING VOICES (UK)**

### **LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

Charity Number	England and Wales: 1152631 Scotland: SC052271
Start of Financial Year	6th April 2023
End of Financial Year	5th April 2024
Trustees	Mr Terry Edmondson (Chair) Mrs Tusa Clark Mr Thomas Stout (appointed 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2024) Mr Christopher Dunn-Coleman (appointed 20 <sup>th</sup> June 2024) Mrs Gail Lawther (resigned 26 <sup>th</sup> March 2024)
Registered Office	Pilgrim House 51-63 St Dunstons Road Worthing West Sussex BN13 1AA
Primary Bankers	CAF Bank Ltd 25 Kings Hill Avenue Kings Hill West Malling Kent ME19 4JQ
Independent Examiner	Mr P Coram 30 Welland Road Worthing West Sussex BN13 3NP

## **Amplifying Voices Trustees Report to financial year-end 5th April 2024**

In a year marked by global turbulence with a surge of misinformation, disinformation and hate speech, we recognize the critical role that media and communication play in shaping our communities. At Amplifying Voices, our mission has never seemed more relevant as our teams have equipped communities with media tools, to get people talking, listening to each other and taking action to improve local health, well-being and resilience.

As the charity marked its 10th anniversary in June 2023, we celebrated significant gains and witnessed how more local communities are effectively harnessing the power of local and social media to drive transformational development and promote peace in fragile contexts. In an era where information is both abundant and precarious, where it is so often used to divide rather than unite, our commitment to amplifying authentic narratives, which promote harmony, remains unwavering. With this in mind, our trustees are pleased to present their annual report and independently examined accounts for the year ended 5<sup>th</sup> April 2024. We confirm that they comply with the requirements of the Charities Act of 2011, the CIO's constitution and the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP).

### **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

#### **Trustees and organisational structure**

Amplifying Voices UK is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, registered with the Charity Commission of England and Wales (number 1152631) and in Scotland as a Cross-Border charity (number SC052271).

The trustees of Amplifying Voices are appointed in accordance with its constitution and volunteer for a term of three years. They may serve a maximum of 3 consecutive terms. As custodians of the vision, mission and values of the charity, they are responsible for its good governance and the maintenance of its charitable objects. The current trustees bring a wide range of experience from the creative, education, development, business and charity sectors.

The day-to-day running of the charity is handled by an operations team of salaried and volunteer personnel who manage the organisation's projects around the world and who meet with the trustees four times a year.

#### **Expenditure**

This financial year a considerable amount of our charitable spending was on capital costs for three major community-centered radio projects in Africa, alongside our other activities which include ongoing training, monitoring, evaluation, project design and some support for our community partners' operational costs. From the outset, we work closely with all our local partners to help them become locally sustainable and not dependent on long-term outside support. However we also commit to accompanying them in the long-term, to enable them to fulfill their mission and vision effectively.

### **Public benefit**

The Trustees have considered the guidelines issued by the Charity Commission regarding public benefit and how the charity complies with these requirements. They are confident that they have complied with their duty in section 17(5) of the Charities Act 2011 with regard to public benefit.

The trustees regularly review the organisation's exposure to financial risks, governance and management risks, operational risks and safeguarding, as appropriate to its activities.

### **Serious Incident Reporting**

In accordance with the Charity Commission's serious incident reporting requirements (resulting in a significant loss of funds, or of significant risk to the charity's property, beneficiaries or reputation), the trustees are pleased to confirm that no incidents fall into this category.

## **OPERATIONAL REVIEW**

### **Projects in sub-Saharan Africa**

We are currently active in five countries in this region.

#### **Zambia**

Amplifying Voices has been supporting local communities in the Pemba district of Southern Zambia to develop a radio station. Following widespread community consultations, training and discussions with the government, Simooya Community Radio began test broadcasts on 94.3 FM in early April. Against the backdrop of a severe drought, local people expressed how the radio station will play a vital role in helping them find ways to work together to overcome their greatest challenges, as well as promoting health and education.



Interviewing Community members in Simooya

#### **Uganda**

The Amplifying Voices team in the UK continued support for the Soot Semee project (which means 'Voice of Compassion' in Juba Arabic) which provides critical information for and promotes dialogue among refugees in settlements in northern Uganda. A key role of this

project has been to mobilise people in the refugee settlements to take action on matters that are important to them. This year our team will work with the local partner to plan how to make this project locally sustainable and prepare the many who are contemplating returning to South Sudan, as conditions there stabilize.

### **South Sudan**

The “Hope Village” project has been running successfully for a year, using speakerbox programmes to promote peace after years of violent conflict. The community faces big challenges as they try to rebuild their lives, but even in the time that “Hope Village” has been running, community members already report improved relationships between soldiers and civilians. People said they now feel able to greet a soldier as they walk along the road without inviting violence or other abuse. Amplifying Voices has identified that a key focus in the coming year will be to support the local team in engaging more communities and expanding reach through a local radio station.



Learning to record content in Morobo



Getting ready to work with Iyete FM

### **Kenya**

After more than a year of planning with our partners Amani Centre and FEBC Australia, Vox Radio began relaying its broadcast from Central Tana River County via the regional capital, Hola. The relay station has helped Vox Radio connect with new communities living in the central part of the county (Galole Region) in what has been a difficult time for many families. Listeners report that the station has been a lifeline as they have faced the trauma of devastating floods following years of drought and spiraling costs, exacerbated by the war on Ukraine. Amplifying Voices also assisted in the development of a new ICT (information communication technology) hub which is co-located at the Vox Radio site. A new programme known as L.I.F.E (an acronym that stands for Life Skills, ICTs, Financial Readiness, and Entrepreneurship) is helping to bridge the digital divide that has for years left the marginalised communities in Tana River and especially women and girls excluded from present-day opportunities.



## North Kivu (DRC)

Against a backdrop of the continued violence and instability in North Kivu, a key development this year has been the development of a new studio building for Umoja (Unity) Radio as the old one finally succumbed to years of damage from weather, war and termites. The Amplifying Voices team continued to provide technical support, training and mentoring for the local team. In community meetings, we were encouraged to hear how the radio station has been a constant voice providing vital information and security information as they have faced threats from armed Islamist groups hiding in the national park. Amplifying Voices is working with the local team to develop plans to extend the signal range of the station, so that more remote communities can benefit from the broadcasts.



Measuring signal strength in Kikingi

## Projects in South Asia

We currently have active projects in two countries in this region, Pakistan and India.

### Pakistan

Amplifying Voices UK continued to support the Pakistan team to develop the “Bright Home Project” in villages in Khyber Pakhtunkwa and Punjab provinces. Harnessing the power of local radio, speakerboxes, social media and practical on-the-ground activities, the project addressed socio-economic injustices faced by women and families. Activities such as health camps and vocational training events were helpful for building trust in the early stages of relationship with the community and have brought women together in culturally acceptable spaces. These activities have built the confidence of women in their own abilities and strengths and they are now creating content about relevant family and community issues, which are aired on community speakerboxes and local radio outlets.

Supporting on the ground activities included:

- A tree planting campaign to help change the local environment
- Developing community kitchen gardens to help address the problem of poor nutrition and access to food
- Providing tailoring classes and sewing machines to promote livelihoods



Interviews in the Bright Home class



Mobile health clinic, Sargodha



## India

In India, following a successful roll-out of the speakerbox campaign in several new indigenous tribal (Adivasi) villages in Maharashtra, many more villages have asked to be involved. Amplifying Voices continued to provide coaching, follow-up training and funding for the growing local teams. A rigorous monitoring and evaluation process has shown dramatic gains in health and nutrition, as a result of local families



growing kitchen gardens; many more children, especially girls, attending school; people coming out of bonded labour; reduced domestic violence and a reduction in addiction to substances.



Adivasi women discussing nutrition after listening to speakerbox programme

Following the successful trial and learning from a mobile phone application to provide bonded labourers with vital access to information, this year has seen work on a complete redesign and redevelopment of the application, with a view to extending it to all tribal communities in multiple languages. A second app is also now in development which is based around stories to enable new learning so that local communities may embark on a journey of self-discovery with new knowledge and wisdom for physical, emotional and spiritual life and wellbeing.



### **AViD Projects (Amplifying Voices in Disaster)**

Recognising the vital role that communication plays at times of disaster, whether natural or man-made, in 2019 Amplifying Voices set up a project to respond to special circumstances, which by-pass our normal ways of working. The purpose is to help communities to respond to and recover quickly from disaster, growing in confidence, capacity, and resilience as they do so.

In the wake of the ongoing conflict in Gaza, Amplifying Voices has been working with local partners to provide a backpack studio which is now on site. At the time of writing this report UNICEF and local partners were using the studio to co-create lifesaving audio content, which, when it is possible to do so, will be disseminated through social and broadcast media. Messages, songs and announcements will provide displaced children and families with vital information for safely accessing relief and shelter, and for staying healthy.

### **The Year Ahead**

In the light of our growing experience of operating in fragile states, Amplifying Voices has been asked by partners to consider working in other regions of sub-Saharan Africa, which are unstable, and our team is currently exploring options.

The charity however is committed to the ongoing accompaniment of its existing partners with the tools and resources to strengthen their capacity and maximise their impact, while assisting them in their journey to becoming fully locally sustainable. Alongside this our team will continue to support local partners to ensure that monitoring, evaluation and learning is taking place.

From a governance perspective, the board of trustees has reviewed a number of key policies and undergone training this year, especially around Health and Safety, Safeguarding, and operating in fragile states. With a number of long-standing trustees having recently retired, we are actively looking to expand our board of trustees and develop new skill-sets which reflect the changing nature of the environment in which we operate.



Terry Edmondson,  
Chair of Trustees of Amplifying Voices

## **Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts**

Report to the trustees and members of Amplifying Voices UK (Charity Numbers 1152631 and SC052271) on the accounts for the year ended 5th April 2024.

### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 145 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

### **Independent examiner's statement**

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that:
  - proper accounting records are kept (in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act); and
  - accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



P. Coram  
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22nd July 2024

## Amplifying Voices (UK)

### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5th April 2024


	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2024 Total £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2023 Total £
<b>Income from:</b>							
Donations and Legacies	2	122,777	133,184	255,961	79,330	121,951	201,281
Bank Interest		2,407	-	2,407	464	-	464
<b>Total</b>		<b>125,184</b>	<b>133,184</b>	<b>258,368</b>	<b>79,794</b>	<b>121,951</b>	<b>201,745</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>							
Raising Funds		5,052	-	5,052	4,585	-	4,585
Charitable Activities	3,4	94,937	74,915	169,852	65,409	108,909	174,318
Other	5	1,271	-	1,271	748	-	748
<b>Total</b>		<b>101,260</b>	<b>74,915</b>	<b>176,175</b>	<b>70,742</b>	<b>108,909</b>	<b>179,651</b>
<b>Net Income/(Expenditure)</b>		<b>23,923</b>	<b>58,269</b>	<b>82,192</b>	<b>9,051</b>	<b>13,042</b>	<b>22,093</b>
<b>Transfers Between Funds</b>		<b>(3,669)</b>	<b>3,669</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total Funds Brought Forward</b>		<b>87,344</b>	<b>30,287</b>	<b>117,631</b>	<b>78,293</b>	<b>17,245</b>	<b>95,538</b>
<b>Total Funds Carried Forward</b>		<b>107,598</b>	<b>92,225</b>	<b>199,823</b>	<b>87,344</b>	<b>30,287</b>	<b>117,631</b>

Movement on all reserves and recognised gains/losses where appropriate are shown above All  
of the operations are classed as on-going  
The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these accounts

**Amplifying Voices (UK)**  
Charity Numbers 1152631 and SC052271  
**BALANCE SHEET**  
**5th April 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2024 Total £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2023 Total £
<b>Fixed Assets</b>							
Tangible Assets (Net of Depreciation)	5	-	-	-	1,271	-	1,271
<b>Current Assets</b>							
Prepaid expenses	6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cash at Bank		107,598	92,225	199,823	86,072	30,287	116,359
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<u>107,598</u>	<u>92,225</u>	<u>199,823</u>	<u>86,073</u>	<u>30,287</u>	<u>116,359</u>
Creditors: Falling due within one year	6	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net Current Assets</b>		<u>107,598</u>	<u>92,225</u>	<u>199,823</u>	<u>87,344</u>	<u>30,287</u>	<u>117,631</u>
<b>Funds of the Charity</b>							
General Reserve		10,000	-	10,000	10,000	-	10,000
General Funds		97,598	-	97,598	77,344	-	77,344
Restricted Funds		-	92,225	92,225	-	30,287	30,287
<b>Total Funds</b>		<u>107,598</u>	<u>92,225</u>	<u>199,823</u>	<u>87,344</u>	<u>30,287</u>	<u>117,631</u>

Approved by the Trustees on 22nd July 2024

Signed on their behalf .....   
T. Edmondson, Chair of Trustees



**Amplifying Voices (UK)**  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5th April 2024**

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Income**

> Income is recognised in the SORP

From donations and grants when:

> there is evidence of entitlement to the gift

> receipt is probable

> and its amount can be measured reliably.

**> Incoming Resources with related expenditure**

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resource and related expenditure are reported gross in the SOFA

**> Grants and Donations**

Grants and Donations are only included in the SOFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources

**> Tax Reclaims on Donations and Gifts**

Incoming resources from gift aid tax reclaims are included in the SOFA in the period in which they are received

**> Donated Services and Facilities**

These are only included in incoming resources (with an equivalent amount in resources expended) where the benefit to the charity is reasonably quantifiable, measurable and material. The value placed on these resources is the estimated value to the charity of the service or facility received

**> Investment Income**

This is included in the accounts when received.

**Basis Of Preparation**

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with applicable accounting standards. In preparing the financial statements the charity follows best practice as laid down in the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' FRS 102 SORP 2015.

**Expenditure and Liabilities**

**> Liability Recognition**

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources

**> Governance Costs**

Whilst no longer required to be shown separately they will (when charged) include costs of preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of trustee meetings and the cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters

**> Grants With Performance Conditions**

Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service or output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SOFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specified service or output

**> Grants Payable without Performance Conditions**

These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there is no conditions to be met relating to that grant

**2. Assets**

> Are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £500.

They are valued at cost. If gifted, at the value to the charity upon receipt

> The Trustees have decided to depreciate all assets on a 4 year straight line method

**Amplifying Voices (UK)**  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5th APRIL 2024**

	Income	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2024 Total £
2a	<b>Donations, Grants and Legacies</b>				
	General		122,777	-	122,777
	Support		-	5,876	5,876
	Projects		-	127,308	127,308
	Legacies		-	-	-
	Gifts in kind		-	-	-
	Other donations and gifts		-	-	-
	<b>Total</b>		<b>122,777</b>	<b>133,184</b>	<b>255,961</b>

**Summary of Donations, Grants and Legacies**

General Fund	120,777	-	120,777
Restricted	-	5,876	5,876
Project - India	2,000	46,797	48,797
Project - Kenya	-	2,589	2,589
Project - Kenya Admin	-	2,561	2,561
Project - Zambia	-	-	-
Project - Pakistan	-	1,500	1,500
Project - DRC	-	61,935	61,935
Project - South Sudan	-	5,000	5,000
Project - Uganda	-	-	-
Project - Somalia	-	6,928	6,928
	<b>122,777</b>	<b>133,184</b>	<b>255,961</b>

2b		Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2023 Total £
	<b>Donations and Trusts</b>				
	General		79,293	-	79,293
	Support		-	8,101	8,101
	Projects		37	113,850	113,887
	Legacies		-	-	-
	Gifts in kind		-	-	-
	Other donations and gifts		-	-	-
			<b>79,330</b>	<b>121,951</b>	<b>201,281</b>

**Summary of Donations and Legacies**

General Fund	79,293	-	79,293
Restricted	-	8,101	8,101
Project - India	37	18,742	18,779
Project - Kenya	-	80,064	80,064
Project - Sierra Leone	-	-	-
Project - Zambia	-	14,947	14,947
Project - Pakistan	-	97	97
Project - DRC	-	-	-
Project - Malawi	-	-	-
Project - Uganda	-	-	-
Project - Covid	-	-	-
	<b>79,330</b>	<b>121,951</b>	<b>201,281</b>

**Amplifying Voices (UK)**  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5th APRIL 2024**

3a	<b>Expenditure on Charitable Activities</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>Notes</b>	<b>Funds</b>	<b>Funds</b>	<b>Total</b>
		£	£	£
	Operations	13,973	-	13,973
	Travel	1,917	-	1,917
	Gifts and Gift Aid passed On	-	5,766	5,766
	Hospitality	1,059	-	1,059
	Premises Costs	2,868	-	2,868
	Projects	75,120	69,149	144,269
		<u>94,937</u>	<u>74,915</u>	<u>169,852</u>

**Summary of Expenditure on Charitable Activities**

General Fund	19,817	-	19,817
Restricted	-	5,766	5,766
Project - India	15,259	10,000	25,259
Project - Kenya	240	3,936	4,176
Project - Kenya Admin	-	2,550	2,550
Project - Zambia	24,084	8,976	33,060
Project - Pakistan	18,970	1,500	20,470
Project - DRC	-	37,187	37,187
Project - South Sudan	7,458	5,000	12,458
Project - Uganda	7,609	-	7,609
Project - Somalia	-	-	-
Project - AVid	1,500	-	1,500
	<u>94,937</u>	<u>74,915</u>	<u>169,852</u>

3b	<b>Expenditure on Charitable Activities</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>Notes</b>	<b>Funds</b>	<b>Funds</b>	<b>Total</b>
		£	£	£
	Operations	18,664	-	18,664
	Travel	1,977	-	1,977
	Gifts and Gift Aid passed On		5,231	5,231
	Hospitality	77	-	77
	Premises Costs	2,868	-	2,868
	Equipment (not capitalised)	-	-	-
	Projects	41,823	103,678	145,501
		<u>65,409</u>	<u>108,909</u>	<u>174,318</u>

**Amplifying Voices (UK)**  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5th APRIL 2024**

	<i>Notes</i>	<i>Unrestricted Funds £</i>	<i>Restricted Funds £</i>	<i>2023 Total £</i>
<b>3b ctd</b>	<b>Summary of Expenditure on Charitable Activities</b>			
	<i>General Fund</i>	23,586	-	23,586
	<i>Restricted</i>	-	5,231	5,231
	<i>Project - India</i>	573	20,492	21,065
	<i>Project - Kenya</i>	366	80,089	80,455
	<i>Project - Sierra Leone</i>	517	3,000	3,517
	<i>Project - Zambia</i>	2,960		2,960
	<i>Project - Pakistan</i>	16,779	97	16,876
	<i>Project - DRC</i>	3,783		3,783
	<i>Project - Malawi</i>	1,110	-	1,110
	<i>Project - Uganda</i>	10,872	-	10,872
	<i>Project - South Sudan</i>	4,863		4,863
		<u>65,409</u>	<u>108,909</u>	<u>174,318</u>
<b>4a</b>	<b>Other Expenditure</b>			
	<i>Notes</i>	<i>Unrestricted Funds £</i>	<i>Restricted Funds £</i>	<i>2024 Total £</i>
	Depreciation	1,271	-	1,271
	Total	<u>1,271</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,271</u>
<b>4b</b>	<b>Other Expenditure</b>			
	<i>Notes</i>	<i>Unrestricted Funds £</i>	<i>Restricted Funds £</i>	<i>2023 Total £</i>
	Depreciation	748	-	748
	Total	<u>748</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>748</u>
<b>5</b>	<b>Tangible fixed assets</b>	<i>Unrestricted 2024</i>	<i>Unrestricted 2023</i>	
	<b>Equipment</b>			
	Cost			
	At 6th April 2023	6,216	5,175	
	Additions	-	1,041	
	At 5th April 2024	<u>6,216</u>	<u>6,216</u>	
	Depreciation			
	At 6th April 2023	4,945	4,197	
	Charge for year	1,271	748	
	At 5th April 2024	<u>6,216</u>	<u>4,945</u>	
	Net Book Value			
	At 5th April 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>1,271</u>	
	At 6th April 2023	<u>-</u>	<u>978</u>	



**Amplifying Voices (UK)**  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5th APRIL 2024**

**6 Debtors, Prepayments and Creditors, Accruals and Deferred Income**

There were no Debtors, Prepayments and Creditors, Accruals and Deferred Income at the end of this or the previous financial year.

**7 Staff Costs, Numbers and Key Personnel Management**

Total employment costs (including basic pay, NI and employer pension contributions amounted to £38,773 (2023: £37,000).

Freelancers are paid via invoices submitted based on projects undertaken and hours worked.

Our Associates are responsible for raising their own support with Stewardship being their preferred channel. They are eligible to reclaim their expenses and related costs for the work they do on behalf of the charity.

Nothing has been paid to Key Personnel (which comprises Associates and Trustees) in the year. (2023: Nil)

The trustees consider it clearer to record the amount relating to donated services in this note. The estimated figure for the current year is £75,000 and for 2023 £73,500.

**8 Trustees and Other Related Parties**

No payments were made to trustees or any persons connected with them during this financial year. No material transaction took place between the charity and a trustee or any person connected to them. (2023: Nil)

The aggregate total of donations made by trustees in the year amounted to £13,300 (2023: £4,550)

**9a Analysis of Restricted Reserves - 2024**

<b>Project</b>	<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>Transfers</b>	<b>Closing Balance</b>
Associates	1,172	5,876	5,766	-	1,282
India	10,000	46,797	10,000	-	46,797
Kenya	1,347	2,589	3,936	-	-
Kenya Admin	2,820	2,561	2,550	6,169	9,000
Zambia	14,947	-	8,976	-	5,971
Pakistan	-	1,500	1,500	-	-
DRC	-	61,935	37,187	(2,500)	22,248
South Sudan	-	5,000	5,000	-	-
Uganda	-	-	-	-	-
Somalia	-	6,928	-	-	6,928
<b>Totals</b>	<b>30,287</b>	<b>133,184</b>	<b>74,915</b>	<b>3,669</b>	<b>92,225</b>

**9b Analysis of Restricted Reserves - 2023**

<b>Project</b>	<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>Transfers</b>	<b>Closing Balance</b>
Associates	1,122	5,281	5,231	-	1,172
Pakistan	-	97	97	-	-
Kenya	1,372	80,064	80,089	-	1,347
Kenya Admin	-	2,820	-	-	2,820
India	11,750	18,742	20,492	-	10,000
Zambia	-	14,947	-	-	14,947
Sierra Leone	3,000	-	3,000	-	-
<b>Totals</b>	<b>17,245</b>	<b>121,951</b>	<b>108,909</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>30,287</b>

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**10 Risk Assessment**

Following a major review carried out by an external consultant, the trustees looked again at the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis particularly concerned with Safeguarding and GDPR. The recommendations suggested are being implemented. As Amplifying Voices operates in a number of fragile states, the trustees and operational team regularly monitor the work of the charity to mitigate risk, especially with respect to financial controls, travel, health and safety of personnel.

**11 Reserves**

The trustees regularly review their reserves in the light of the Charity's size and financial commitments. They aim to ensure that the charity will be able to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives whatever the level of income or in the face of unexpected expenditure. Nominally the trustees have decided to maintain a level of reserves unchanged from last year.

**12 Public Benefit**

The charity acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes or 'aims' that are for the public benefit. Details of how the charity has achieved this in some of the most volatile parts of the world are provided in the trustees report. The trustees confirm that they have paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit before deciding upon which activities to undertake.