

UNITED KINGDOM PUNJAB HERITAGE ASSOCIATION

England & Wales · Charity number 1152752

Details

Other names UKPHA

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2013-07-05

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE PROMOTION OF EDUCATION, SPECIFICALLY TO INCREASE PUBLIC LEARNING AND KNOWLEDGE ABOUT PUNJABI HISTORY, ARTS, CULTURE AND HERITAGE

Activities: UKPHA works to promote awareness and learning in the field of Punjabi heritage, which we achieve this through a variety of activities including exhibitions, documentaries, articles, social media, talks and lectures and workshops.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research
- **What:** Arts/culture/heritage/science
- **Who:** People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-01-01	£23,308	£25,304	-	-
2024-01-01	£40,515	£39,243	-	-
2023-01-01	£15,060	£19,929	-	-
2022-01-01	£32,477	£28,049	-	-
2021-01-01	£23,018	£22,365	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
AMANDEEP MADRA	Chair	2012-12-19
AMANROOP RAHAL		2013-06-27
HARDEEP BATH BSc Hons		2012-12-19
KANWAL MADRA MENG		2012-12-19
NAVINDER GROVER		2013-06-27

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 02	Month Jan	Year 2023		Day 01	Month Jan	Year 2024

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name United Kingdom Punjab Heritage Association

Other names charity is known by UKPHA

Registered charity number (if any) 1152752

Charity's principal address 483 Green Lanes
London
Postcode N13 4BS

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Amandeep Madra	Chair		
2	Hardeep Bath	Treasurer		
3	Kanwal Madra			
4	Amanroop Rahal			
5	Navinder Grover			
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution adopted 4 th June 2013
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Unincorporated association
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Elected by existing trustees at general meeting

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

<p>You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;• the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;• relationship with any related parties;• trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.	<p>All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or benefits.</p> <p>The trustees do not consider there to be any major financial risks in the work undertaken.</p>
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Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The promotion of education, specifically to increase public learning about and knowledge of Anglo-Punjabi history, arts, culture and heritage

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Our volunteers have continued to work on digitising, transcribing and promoting the 'Punjab Registers', an incredibly significant archive based on original registers created for British colonial authorities in the 1920s that will shed new light on the role of Punjabis in the First World War and help British Punjabis connect to their family histories. Our volunteers showcased the database of records at community events in Gravesend, Cardiff and Birmingham.

In collaboration with the University of Greenwich, Commonwealth War Graves Commission and the National Army Museum, London, preparations were made to launch two fully funded PhD scholarships to explore the Punjab Registers.

We have continued to keep in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and we have undertaken the above activities accordingly.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

The charity continues to be supported by volunteers who believe in our work and give their time and effort willingly.

Our active pool of volunteers helps with nearly every aspect of our activities. While undertaking tasks assigned to them, we encourage volunteers to highlight any inefficiencies in our processes. This forms an ongoing discussion with each individual. All effective suggestions are embedded in future work wherever possible.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Work continued on digitising and transcribing the 'Punjab Registers', an incredibly significant archive based on original registers created for British colonial authorities in the 1920s and today held in Lahore Museum, Pakistan. The registers encompass around 320,000 recruitment records of Punjabis who served in the First World War. The registers were compiled on a village-by-village basis, spanning 28 districts of pre-partition Punjab. Almost 1.5 million Indians served with British armies during the First World War. Of these, nearly half a million came from the province of Punjab – which was divided between India and Pakistan in 1947. The aim of our collaborative project is to investigate the role of Punjabis in the First World War and to help British Punjabis connect to their family histories.

During the year, the entire digitised database of the registers was showcased at the Gravesend Dharmic Mela (April), the Cardiff Mela in partnership with the Royal British Legion (June) and in Birmingham at the Sikh Lens Film Festival (June). A team of our volunteers organised free workshops at these events to help families discover their wartime connections.

At an event during South Asian Heritage Month (August), our chair, Amandeep Madra, spoke about Sikh and Punjabi military service in the world wars. Volunteers also interviewed guests who shared stories of South Asian service in the Second World War.

Our vice chair, Harbakhsh Grewal, was awarded a British Empire Medal in the King's New Year's Honours list (December) for decades of services to Sikh & Punjabi heritage, most recently in connection with the Punjab Registers.

In collaboration with the University of Greenwich, preparations were made to launch two fully funded PhD scholarships to explore the Punjab Registers. This important initiative would allow two postgraduate researchers to work on two funded projects to understand the crucial role of colonial soldiers in the world wars and the effects of colonial service on those who enlisted - as well as why these histories have been neglected and misunderstood:

- 1) The Commonwealth War Graves Commission Doctoral Scholarship will examine what the Punjab Registers tell us about the commemoration and non-commemoration of South Asian soldiers after the First World War. The project is expected to make a major contribution to addressing historical inequalities in the commemoration of colonial soldiers.
- 2) The National Army Museum Doctoral Scholarship will investigate the social, cultural and military history of the Indian Army c. 1895-1947. Exploring the Punjab Registers and the museum's Indian Army collections, the project will provide new perspectives on the men & communities who served on behalf of the British empire in the global wars of the 20th century.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

We aim to hold sufficient reserves to meet any unforeseen expenditures that may occur from time to time.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Funds in the year were raised primarily through donation from core supporters and members of the public.

Section F

Other optional information


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Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	AMANDEEP MADRA	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	
Date	31/10/2024	

United Kingdom Punjab Heritage Association (UKPHA)

Registered Charity No.

1152752

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 01 JANUARY 2024

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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
UNITED KINGDOM PUNJAB HERITAGE ASSOCIATION

**On accounts for the year
ended**

01/01/2024	Charity no (if any)	1152752
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Set out on pages

Remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended .

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

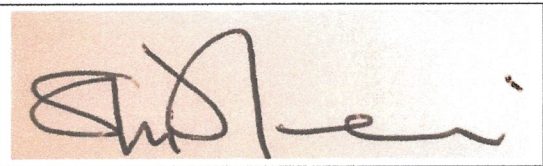
I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:



Date: 31/10/2024

Name:

Charles Osei, BSc (Hons), MSc, ACIE, AFA, ATA, MCIPP

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

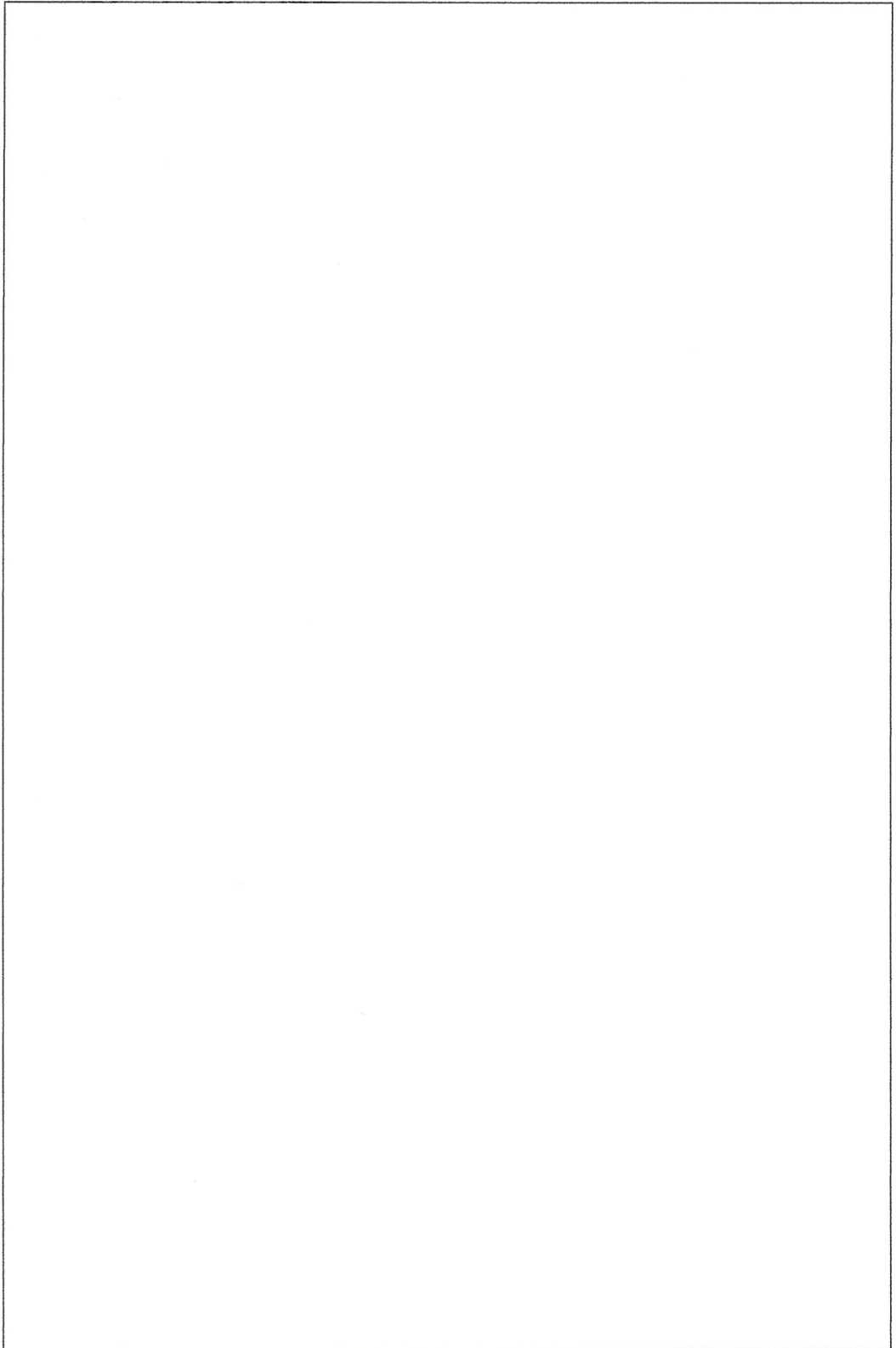
Association of Charity Independence Examiners

Address:

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Deptford
London SE8 4LY

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

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



Total payments	39,243	-	-	39,243	19,929
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,272	-	-	1,272	4,869
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	1,061	-	-	1,061	5,930
Cash funds this year end	2,333	-	-	2,333	1,061

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Closing Balance - Unrestricted Funds	2,333	-	-
	Closing Balance - Restricted Funds	-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	2,333	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Loans	44,000	-	-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
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			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	Loans	42,000	-	
			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
<i>Amandeep Madra</i>	Amandeep Madra	31/10/2024

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Working with new and existing volunteers, UKPHA offered the Sikh and Punjabi community a second round of the highly popular UKPHA Virtual Book Club. Meeting online every Monday at 5pm, we provided a virtual social and cultural space for our community to engage with authors, podcasters, academics and museum curators to learn about their cultural heritage. In total, 22 live online sessions were held.

UKPHA continued to work in partnership with Kashi House CIC to support their publication programme of books connected with Anglo-Punjabi culture.

We have continued to keep in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and we have undertaken the above activities accordingly.

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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

March to November 2021 saw UKPHA's second run of its popular weekly Virtual Book Club (VB) that was part-funded by a Heritage Lottery Fund grant. The VB began during the first pandemic restrictions in 2020, when UKPHA offered the Sikh and Punjabi community a virtual social and cultural opportunity to engage with authors, podcasters, academics and museum curators. It provided an important cultural outlet that was lacking due to social restrictions. Asians are especially affected to COVID19 both medically and as many live in extended families with older members identified as vulnerable, they chose not to leave their homes at all. At the end of the first VB, our volunteer team made the decision to repeat it in 2021, with a view to recruiting new volunteers and planning on a more ambitious scope.

VB 2021 resulted in 22 live weekly Zoom events that were recorded and uploaded to our YouTube channel (www.youtube.com/c/UKPHA) to be accessible to a global audience alongside recordings from VB 2020. Our website www.ukpha.org contains all of the events that we ran during the period and now represents a significant resource.

In the 22 live Zoom events we engaged with 4,400 unique people a total of 13,700 times. The average watch-time for each 90-minute event was 80 minutes, giving rise to 8,300 participant hours of programming. Over 40s represented 81% of our viewers, while the under 40s were 19%. From our post-event survey, we found that the male:female ratio of audience members was 59:41. Our YouTube channel content was viewed 97,900 times, with 10,800 hours watched. The under 45s represented 89% of our viewers while the over 45s were 11% (which is broadly the reverse of the live Zoom events). The male:female ratio of viewers was 71:29.

During VB 2021 we collaborated with a number of partners including SARBAT, and the LGBTQ+ Sikh network, and the South Asian Heritage Month, which is organised by City Sikhs, a professional Sikh networking charity.

In the short term, we were able to develop new audiences by hosting a diverse range of topics and speakers attracting a wide range of people. Our audience told us that they continued to engage with topics through books, online resources and other cultural output, and that they are better educated about many aspects of their heritage as a result. Over the medium term, we will continue to leverage that interest through providing a regular stream of engaging content on our social media platforms. For example, in the months following VB 2021, we were able to direct our 40,000 social media followers to events, new book releases, book festivals and commemorations of the centenary of the conclusion of the First World War.

The impact of our strong community engagement has led to exciting conversations with mainstream heritage institutions who witnessed the value that UKPHA can bring to their collections. Most notably, the British Museum has asked us to consult with them on developing their Sikh display in the Hotung Gallery with a very specific focus on increasing community engagement.

Organisationally, we have benefited greatly from the significant growth in the skills and abilities of our volunteer team. They have developed their online presentation and interviewing skills, as well as a raft of digital skills enabling better website design, graphical design and overall use of technology. We have also developed stronger relationships with content creators and scholars.

In terms of our audiences, the most significant discovery was the realisation that long-form interviews and talks attract audiences that we sometimes find difficult to reach, namely older people. They also led to a more gender-balanced audience. As a result of our recent experiences, we are better placed in the future to continue delivering our heritage mission to a broader, more inclusive audience.

November to December 2021 saw our focus shift to the groundbreaking work we've undertaken on a unique collection of registers that provide amazing insights into the Punjab region's role in the First World War. These included a free online talk by our 'Punjab and World War One' team outlining what we're doing to make this invaluable resource available to all. The project was also featured on BBC News across South Asia, which covered the story of their discovery and how they were helping to uncover new histories that enabled families to connect to an often forgotten personal heritage.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

We aim to hold sufficient reserves to meet any unforeseen expenditures that may occur from time to time.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

Further financial review details (Optional information)

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- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
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Funds in the year were raised primarily through donation from core supporters and members of the public.

Section F

Other optional information

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Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>Amandeep Madra</i>	
Full name(s)	AMANDEEP MADRA	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	
Date	04/11/2022	

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Registered Charity No.

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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

United Kingdom Punjab Heritage Association

On accounts for the year
ended

01/01/2022

Charity no
(if any)

1152752

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(Remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

Respective
responsibilities of
trustees and examiner

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

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent
examiner's statement

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

Independent
examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *)

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

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date:

05/11/2022

Name:

Charles Osei, BSc (Hons), MSc, ACIE, AFA, ATA, MCIPP

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

Association of Charity Independence Examiners

Address: Practical Accounting Training Ltd
Equitable House, 2nd Floor, 10 Woolwich New Road
London SE18 6AB

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

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

N/A

Total payments	19,347	8,702	-	28,049	22,365
Net of receipts/(payments)	3,530	898	-	4,428	653
A5 Transfers between funds	898	-	898	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	1,502	-	-	1,502	849
Cash funds this year end	5,930	0	-	5,930	1,502

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Closing Balance - Unrestricted Funds	5,930	-	-
	Closing Balance - Restricted Funds	-	0	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	5,930	0	-
	<small>(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))</small>			
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	Loans	44,000	-	-
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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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			-	-
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			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	Loans	42,000	-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	<i>Amandeep Madra</i>	AMANDEEP MADRA	4/11/22	