

Charity Registration No. 1154872

Company Registration No. 08508569 (England and Wales)

SOLIDARITY PROJECTS LIMITED
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

SOLIDARITY PROJECTS LIMITED

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	Sr K O'Flynn	
	Rev J G Greene	(Appointed 11 February 2020)
	Mr A Henderson	(Appointed 15 September 2020)
Charity number	1154872	
Company number	08508569	
Principal address	2B Vantage Park Washingley Road Huntingdon Cambridgeshire PE29 6SR	
Registered office	2B Vantage Park Washingley Road Huntingdon Cambridgeshire PE29 6SR	
Independent examiner	UHY Hacker Young 2B Vantage Park Washingley Road Huntingdon Cambridgeshire PE29 6SR	

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TRUSTEES REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020.

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 governing document, 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)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016)

Objectives and activities

The charity is established for the public benefit to advance education and preserve and protect good health in South Sudan by:

- supporting the creation of self-sufficient education, healthcare, agricultural and other infrastructure projects
- the provision of training, instruction or pastoral care to those who are poor in order to develop their physical, mental, emotional and spiritual capacities
- providing or assisting in the provision of education and healthcare of any child or person in keeping with the precepts of the Christian faith and Christian ideals
- providing assistance for the training of teachers, parents, youth leaders or other persons engaged, or to be engaged, in the provision of education, leadership or instruction of individuals
- providing where needed, assistance for the furtherance or development of education and healthcare including youth leadership, religious and moral development especially the young and socially and economically disadvantaged
- providing any further assistance as the trustees may from time to time think fit for the provision of educational and healthcare facilities
- to cooperate with other charitable organisations whether local, national or international for any of the foregoing.

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

Achievements and performance

Financial review

During the year the charity had incoming resources of £176,183 (2019: £169,923) and outgoing resources of £64,554 (2019: £59,992).

Investments assets gains amounted to £195,760 (2019: 561,513), which comprised of £174,709 in relation to net losses on disposals of investments assets (2019: £66,956 net gains on disposals) and £370,469 (2019: £494,557) that refers to a net increase in market value of investments assets.

Accumulated unrestricted funds carried forward amount to £3,988,930 (2019: £3,724,415) and accumulated restricted funds carried forward amount to £56,537 (2019: £13,663).

The Trustees have no concerns about the company continuing to operate as a going concern and consider it will be able to meet its liabilities as they fall due.

The charity has an investment portfolio managed by Quilter Cheviot on their behalf. The intention is to hold the portfolio for at least five years with the income generated being available to meet the core objectives of the charity.

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the company is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the company, and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks. The Trustees have also paid attention to the ongoing consequences of the political instability in South Sudan and retain all funds in the UK until the time of need and then only for specific projects.

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TRUSTEES REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

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The charity's main investments are held in order to help transition the management of activities to local South Sudanese management. Unrest in recent years has significantly delayed this process and trustees are considering what other interim uses could be made of these investments.

Structure, governance and management

The charity is registered as a charitable company limited by guarantee and was set up on 29 April 2013 and registered as a charity with the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 4 December 2013. Its company number is 08508569 and its charity number is 1154872.

The charity is constituted under a Memorandum of Association dated 24 April 2013 as amended by Special Resolutions of 5 November 2013 and 19 February 2015. The liability of the members is limited. Every member of the charity undertakes to contribute to the assets of the charity, if it is wound up whilst he/she is a member or within one year after he/she ceases to be a member, such amounts as may be required not exceeding one pound.

The charity adheres to the principles of solidarity and to the charitable purposes of the 'Solidarity with Southern Sudan Project', a collaborative international project undertaken by members of the USG (Union of Superiors General), UISG (International Union of Superiors General), and South Sudan Catholic Bishop Conference. The charity was established to facilitate the project's administration and in particular its ability to raise funds internationally, through grant applications and donations, to support the work being undertaken in South Sudan.

The trustees have considered the impact of Covid-19 on the charity and are aware that income and asset values may fall in the future. As the charity does not have any regular commitments and is prepared to take a long term view of investments, the trustees do not consider any immediate actions are needed but will monitor events and act accordingly.

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:

Fr P A Smyth	(Resigned 18 March 2021)
Sr K O'Flynn	
Mr P Fenney	(Resigned 15 September 2020)
Rev J G Greene	(Appointed 11 February 2020)
Mr A Henderson	(Appointed 15 September 2020)

The management of the charity is the responsibility of the trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Memorandum of Association dated 24 April 2013 as amended by Special Resolutions of 5 November 2013 and 19 February 2015. The names of the trustees are set out on the attached schedule of legal and administrative information as well as above. The trustees are chosen on the basis of their willingness to serve, ability, governance, experience and support of the ethos, mission and philosophy of the charity.

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

The trustees are ultimately responsible for the policies, activities and assets of the charity. The trustees meet on a regular basis to make decisions on behalf of the charity.

The trustees report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

Mr A Henderson

Trustee

Dated: 23 August 2021

SOLIDARITY PROJECTS LIMITED

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

The trustees, who are also the directors of Solidarity Projects Limited for the purpose of company law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company Law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that year.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

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

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF SOLIDARITY PROJECTS LIMITED

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Solidarity Projects Limited (the charity) for the year ended 31 December 2020.

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 (the 2006 Act).

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the charity are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act 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 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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 2006 Act; or
- 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 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; 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 accounts 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.

Shona Munday FCA
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Dated: 1 September 2021

SOLIDARITY PROJECTS LIMITED

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Restricted funds 2020 £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
<u>Income from:</u>					
Donations and legacies	3	58,500	70,134	128,634	111,015
Investments	4	47,549	-	47,549	58,908
Total income		106,049	70,134	176,183	169,923
<u>Expenditure on:</u>					
Governance costs	5	37,294	1,171	38,465	59,992
Charitable activities	6	-	26,089	26,089	-
Total expenditure		37,294	27,260	64,554	59,992
Net gains/(losses) on investments	8	195,760	-	195,760	561,513
Net movement in funds		264,515	42,874	307,389	671,444
Fund balances at 1 January 2020		3,724,415	13,663	3,738,078	3,066,634
Fund balances at 31 December 2020		3,988,930	56,537	4,045,467	3,738,078

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Notes	2020 £	£	2019 £	£
Fixed assets					
Investments	10		3,595,815		3,427,485
Current assets					
Debtors	11	34,024		3,086	
Cash at bank and in hand		428,021		319,654	
		<u>462,045</u>		<u>322,740</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(12,393)</u>		<u>(12,147)</u>	
Net current assets			449,652		310,593
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>4,045,467</u>		<u>3,738,078</u>
Income funds					
Restricted funds			56,537		13,663
Unrestricted funds			3,988,930		3,724,415
			<u>4,045,467</u>		<u>3,738,078</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 December 2020.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the charity keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Act and for preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

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 23 August 2021

Mr A Henderson
Trustee

Company Registration No. 08508569

SOLIDARITY PROJECTS LIMITED

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Solidarity Projects Limited is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is 2B Vantage Park, Washingley Road, Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire, PE29 6SR.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's [governing document], 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)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

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, modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 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. The Trustees have considered the implications of the Covid-19 pandemic and its effect on the charity and consider that to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements is appropriate.

1.3 Charitable funds

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

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors 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.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the charity.

1.4 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.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and represent amounts receivable for goods and services provided in the normal course of business, net of discounts, VAT and other sales related taxes.

1.5 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.

Charitable activities are grants payable to charitable institutions and individuals.

Governance costs are costs incurred relating to the governance of the Charity and are not apportioned to charitable activities.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

1.6 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.

1.7 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.

1.8 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.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

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.

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.

3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total	Total
	2020 £	2020 £	2020 £	2019 £
Donations and gifts	58,500	70,134	128,634	111,015

4 Investments

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2020 £	2019 £
Income from listed investments	47,549	58,908

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

5 Governance costs

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total	Total
	2020 £	2020 £	2020 £	2019 £
Bank fees	90	90	180	478
Office costs	888	888	1,776	3,486
Travel	193	193	386	5,326
Legal and professional	301	-	301	641
Accountancy	6,424	-	6,424	6,130
Investment management fees charged directly to investment account	24,839	-	24,839	23,862
Sundry costs	4,559	-	4,559	20,069
	<u>37,294</u>	<u>1,171</u>	<u>38,465</u>	<u>59,992</u>

6 Grants payable

	2020 £	2019 £
Grants to institutions:		
Catholic Health Training Institute	<u>26,089</u>	<u>-</u>

7 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2020 Number	2019 Number
Total	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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8 Net gains/(losses) on investments

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2020	2019
	£	£
Revaluation of investments	370,469	494,557
Gain/(loss) on sale of investments	(174,709)	66,956
	<u>195,760</u>	<u>561,513</u>

9 Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on profits and gains to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objectives. No tax charges have arisen in this period.

10 Fixed asset investments

	Listed investments £
Cost or valuation	
At 1 January 2020	3,427,485
Additions	516,673
Valuation changes	195,760
Disposals	(544,103)
	<u>3,595,815</u>
At 31 December 2020	
Carrying amount	
At 31 December 2020	<u>3,595,815</u>
At 31 December 2019	<u>3,427,485</u>

11 Debtors

	2020	2019
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>34,024</u>	<u>3,086</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2020 £	2019 £
Accruals and deferred income	12,393	12,147

13 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Restricted funds 2020 £	Total 2020 £	Unrestricted funds 2019 £	Restricted funds 2019 £	Total 2019 £
Fund balances at 31 December 2020 are represented by:						
Investments	3,595,815	-	3,595,815	3,427,485	-	3,427,485
Current assets/ (liabilities)	393,115	56,537	449,652	296,930	13,663	310,593
	<u>3,988,930</u>	<u>56,537</u>	<u>4,045,467</u>	<u>3,724,415</u>	<u>13,663</u>	<u>3,738,078</u>

14 Related party transactions

The trustees were reimbursed expenses of £387 during the year.