

Episcopal Churches of South Sudan and Sudan University Partnership

England & Wales · Charity number 1157335

Details

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| Status | Registered |
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| Registered | 2014-06-05 |
| Register | View on the Charity Commission register |

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Activities

Objects: TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC BY ASSISTING THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF SOUTH SUDAN AND SUDAN TO ESTABLISH AND DEVELOP A UNIVERSITY IN THE ANGLICAN PROVINCE OF SUDAN BY PROVIDING PROFESSIONAL EXPERTISE AND SUPPORT

Activities: The charity will assist the Episcopal Church of South Sudan and Sudan to establish and develop a university by:enabling further feasibility studies to be carried out; making representations on behalf of the ECSSS;offering advice on HE governance and strategy;securing grants;identifying and recruiting individuals for the university; assisting with networking.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Human Resources, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research
- **What:** Education/training, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- South Sudan
- Sudan

Finances

| Period end | Income | Expenditure | Assets | Employees |
|------------|----------|-------------|----------|-----------|
| 2025-12-31 | £109,963 | £106,576 | - | - |
| 2024-12-31 | £65,359 | £788,690 | - | - |
| 2023-12-31 | £876,183 | £82,594 | £813,631 | 0 |
| 2022-12-31 | £75,730 | £155,589 | - | - |
| 2021-12-31 | £53,986 | £166,592 | - | - |

Trustees

| Name | Role | Appointed |
|----------------------------|------|------------|
| Hanna Ruth John | | 2017-07-10 |
| Prof Ellen Frances Davis | | 2023-04-24 |
| Rev Ronald Hart | | 2024-09-30 |
| Rev Stephen Ralph Dinsmore | | 2023-04-12 |
| Suzan Voga-Duffee | | 2021-12-10 |
| WENDY ELIZABETH FRY | | 2023-05-22 |

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Working shoulder-to-shoulder with The Episcopal University in South Sudan

2025 Annual Report

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INTRODUCTION

HELLO! Thank you for reading the Annual Report from the Episcopal Churches of South Sudan and Sudan University Partnership (ECSSSUP).

2025 has been another year of resilience, strategic focus and deepened partnership for ECSSSUP and The Episcopal University (TEU). Building on the foundations laid in 2024 and the previous decade of partnership, we continued to strengthen our relationship with TEU, with a firm focus on fundraising, good governance, capacity building and, most importantly, attempting to walk shoulder-to-shoulder with TEU's team.

ECSSSUP has continued to navigate significant challenges, including a constrained funding landscape and the ongoing limited capacity of our trustee-only structure. Yet we continued to raise institutional and individual funds, broaden our partnerships with UK churches and international supporters, and ensure robust governance of restricted grants.

2025 brought significant developments for TEU too. This was a year of meaningful academic progress, infrastructure growth, strengthened partnerships, and innovative remote learning, despite a difficult financial and operational environment. TEU's commitment to quality education, community life and institutional transparency continues to earn the trust of international partners and donors.

At the same time, TEU's financial pressures have intensified, with salary reductions for staff and difficult decisions ahead as staff contracts come up for renewal in early 2026. These realities reinforced ECSSSUP's commitment to pursuing funding for scholarships, operational administration and targeted capacity-building initiatives.

We were encouraged by increased stewardship giving - over £10,000 in donations - and our strengthened relationships with deaneries such as Salisbury and Alderbury, who have committed to supporting TEU. We have also built links with new partners and donors, such as the International Law Book Facility and the Laing Family Trusts.

As ever, the trustees of ECSSSUP are filled with admiration for the work of all TEU's staff - from the senior leadership team to the cooks, admin staff, guards and cleaners, who dedicate their energy to building this university.

And we are so grateful to you, our supporters, for your continued belief in the transformational power of higher education for South Sudan. You also walk shoulder-to-shoulder with TEU.

Hanna John - Chair
On behalf of ECSSSUP Trustees



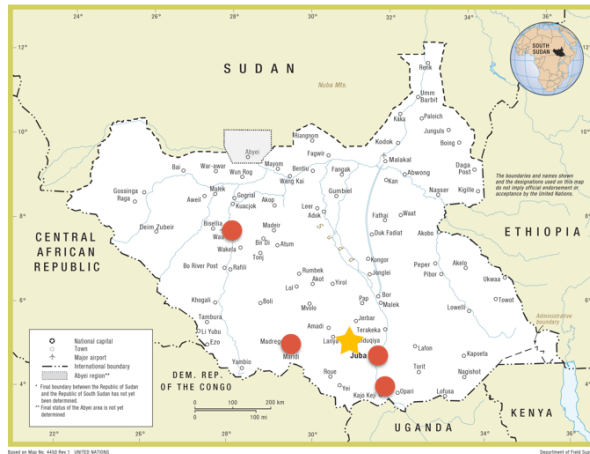
A SNAPSHOT OF THE EPISCOPAL UNIVERSITY IN SOUTH SUDAN

Vision: A vibrant multi-campus university

Mission: To develop students holistically for professional leadership and service.

Established in 2015, TEU brings together existing higher education colleges under the same curriculums, accreditation, vision, mission, objectives, and values.

By working together, the colleges can collaborate with resourcing, expertise, sharing curricula and forming strong staff and student connections across South Sudan.



JUBA
Bishop Gwynne Campus

WAW
St John's College

MARIDI
Chaima Christian Institute

KAJO KEJI
Kajo Keji Christian College

ROKON
New TEU central campus

ECSSSUP is the UK based charity supporting TEU in its development.



Juba Campus

MAIN ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS - TEU

Academic Progress & Innovations in Teaching & Learning

Provision of high-quality education remains central to TEU's mission, and 2025 saw continued academic progress. Law and Theology students successfully completed the 2024/2025 academic year, with final examinations held in June 2025. Teaching for the 2025/2026 academic year begins in September, although first-year admissions were postponed to January 2026 due to delays in national secondary school certificates. Nonetheless, TEU plans an intensive "catch-up" programme to enable these new students to progress in time.

Following the success of partial remote teaching in 2024, TEU delivered a third-year Theology course ("Hermeneutics, Exegesis and Preaching") almost entirely online, taught by a team of distinguished scholars from the UK, USA, and DRC. This demonstrates TEU's growing global academic networks. The course received excellent feedback, and the improved internet connectivity will enable further courses like this to be taught, opening up expanded learning possibilities to students.

A week-long pedagogy workshop for all academic staff was facilitated by Revd Dr Nigel Rooms, a former CMS Partner - alongside Dr Eeva John, TEU's Vice Chancellor. It was well attended by staff and received widespread positive feedback.

TEU staff were also offered English language and IT support and training by Windle Trust and TEU's IT officer. There is a continued need for staff to build their capacity in both these critical areas. Thanks to the Windle Trust's partnership, the second Foundation Course, "English for Academic Purposes" was also taught to second year theology and law students.



The new Business Studies curriculum was completed and submitted to the Ministry of Higher Education in August 2025, although final approval is still pending due to the high government

review fee. Work on revising the Theology and Law curriculums was done this year, aiming for submission ahead of the 2026/2027 academic year.

A number of senior staff, including the Dean of Theology and the Director of Finance completed further studies (PhD and MBA), significant achievements for TEU's academic and administrative leadership. The Principal of Saint John's College, Wau, also completed his PhD in Business Administration. All three were funded through generous bursaries provided by Local Leaders International (Australia).

The International Law Book Facility also donated boxes of much needed law books, contributing significantly to the expansion and upkeep of the library.

Community Life

Community Workshops continued to take place weekly, and students and staff have been encouraged to participate in "Growth Groups" each week - topics included Christianity and Culture, polygamy, dowries, forced and premature marriage, and Bible Studies.

Occasionally TEU ran Open Forums on Fridays where staff and students arranged programmes such as debate, information sharing, public lectures, or times of prayer.

A week-long course in Christian Counselling, focusing on substance abuse and addiction, took place in August 2025, fully funded and run by Novo Communities. The course was very well attended and may be the beginning of a longer relationship with TEU.



Scholarships and bursaries

Scholarships and bursaries for students increased this year, thanks to relationships and funding from a range of partners, including:

- AFRECS (bursaries for law students)
- Anglican Aid (bursaries for Theology students)
- Local Leaders International (supporting doctorate studies of three staff members)
- Samaritans Purse (bursaries for theology students)

A huge thank you to these partners for enabling more students to pursue their dreams of higher education.

Campus Development & Infrastructure

The Rokon Fence Project, funded by The Community of St Denys, was officially completed and guards and soldiers hired to care for the campus. Transforming the Rokon site into a productive agricultural hub that will provide more nutritious food for staff and students in Juba, as well as

become a source of funding and livelihoods, made strong progress this year, in part helped by remaining funds from the Community of St Denys. The team are also submitting funding proposals to progress this further.

Three new classrooms and two School of Law offices were created from existing buildings, further improving TEU's teaching environment and professional identity – as well as being critical to meeting student numbers. Landscaping works and general improvements to the campus were also undertaken, important to ensuring the aesthetic appeal of the learning environment and being a way of attracting new students to study at TEU. A successful application from the Laing Family Trusts via ECSSSUP also enabled the construction of a gatehouse and fence for the TEU campus.

TEU also transitioned from a costly local internet provider to Starlink reducing monthly costs dramatically and providing better connectivity for online teaching.

Through support from international partners, including Co-Workers (a German-based organisation), Local Leaders International, and Hymns Ancient & Modern, screens arrived for student use and teaching for not just the Juba campus but all other campuses, alongside funding for solar-powered WIFI. This helped strengthen the relationship between the Bishop Gwynne Campus in Juba and the other campuses.



Distribution of laptops to the colleges via van!

Good Governance

The Governing Council met in person with an online option in May 2025 and again virtually only in November 2025. Key governance documents were reviewed and approved, including the Charter and Statutes, and new finance, procurement, and HR policies.

Financial challenges & ongoing commitment to self-sustainability

Being financially self-sustaining has always been part of TEU's ambitions, with income from student fees, rental properties and investments, as well as a range of entrepreneurial projects that will benefit staff, students and the wider community such as a health clinic, agricultural work, and using the university space as a venue for retreats and conferences.

The land and properties that TEU owns have started generating income, with new investors identified and contracts negotiated. This is a key part of the strategy to build financial sustainability and is a very promising area in the medium and long term. However, there have

been challenges in pursuing claims at courts and chasing unpaid arrears with a number of tenants. TEU's legal team continue to pursue these.

Unfortunately, due to funding constraints, staff salaries had to be cut significantly in the second half of 2025. Staff contracts are due for renewal in April 2026, and the university will have to make the difficult decision to let some staff go in order to balance the budget. This has been very challenging for staff, and yet their continued dedication and commitment to their work is nothing but admirable.



Students in a classroom on the Juba campus with new desk-chairs.

MAIN ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS - ECSSSUP

The trustees of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan and Sudan University Partnership (ECSSSUP) have achieved their objectives during this period by continuing to use their expertise to provide The Episcopal University (TEU) team in South Sudan with appropriate advice as the team continued to progress the development of the university.

2025 saw the continuation of a commitment to support the team through **governance, fundraising and partnerships and awareness raising.**

Governance

The trustees of ECSSSUP have continued to advise, support, and monitor the progress of the university during 2025, using its trustees, advisors, funders, and new partners, who together bring expertise across higher education, fundraising, and strategic development.

2025 governance activities demonstrated ECSSSUP's commitment to transparency (with funders and with TEU), stewardship and strategic alignment:

- Trustees met once each quarter in 2025 via Zoom, focusing trustee meetings on financial oversight and governance of funds and transfers, applications to new funders, building or strengthening partnerships and awareness raising
- ECSSSUP Advisors continued to step in to provide support and advice aligned to their area of interest and expertise and received quarterly updates from ECSSSUP & TEU
- The practice of sharing quarterly reports between TEU and ECSSSUP continued, to promote transparency and accountability - and to enable streamlined reporting requirements with other partners
- Trustees supported fundraising activities by developing and monitoring a funding pipeline, making applications for funds in alignment with TEU's strategic priorities and in partnership with TEU's team
- Review and update of key policies, in line with the Charity Commission's good governance guidelines

ECSSSUP continued to manage and transfer funds - from both ECSSSUP and other partners and funders - to TEU. This continues to be an important role of the charity and has enabled us to ensure robust oversight of provision of funds from partners to TEU, including Community of St Denys, Salisbury and Alderbury Deaneries, Co-Workers, Laing Family Trusts, and Hymns Ancient & Modern.

Hanna had the privilege of attending TEU's Governing Council Meeting (virtually) in May on behalf of ECSSSUP.

Naturally, there was the continuing challenge of the limited capacity of ECSSSUP Trustees to take on the required active roles of a small charity with no employed staff.

Fundraising and partnerships

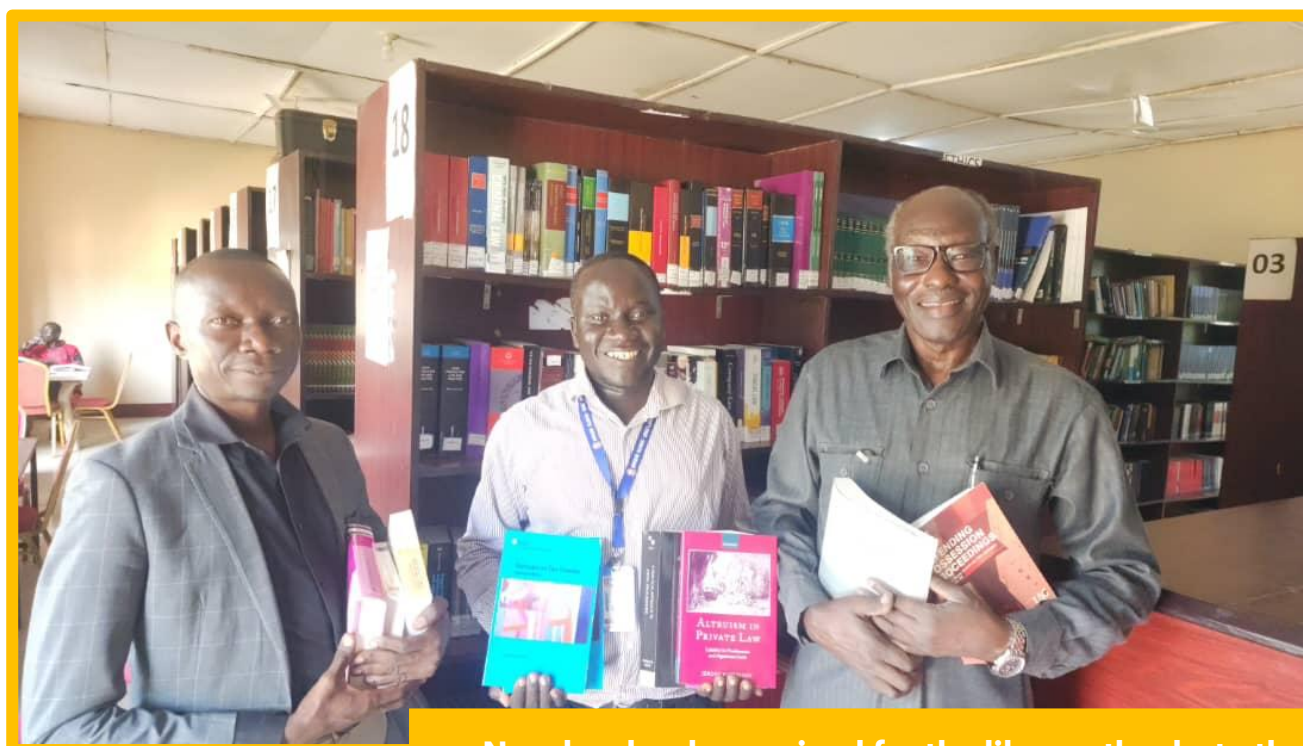
Individual and regular giving remained a challenge and ECSSSUP continued to see a downward trend in regular individual and church giving throughout the year. The UK/US funding landscape is very challenging and higher education – and South Sudan – is not a priority for many funders, especially given the wider political context of 2025. This created an ongoing challenge against ECSSSUP’s commitment to support operational and running costs in a meaningful way, although we were able to commit to sending funds to support operational costs on a quarterly basis.

However, fundraising did and will continue to be a core priority for ECSSSUP, and progress was made this year.

A successful application to the Laing Family Trusts resulted in a £20,000 grants for the development of Juba campus. Many much-needed law books were sent from The International Law Book Facility. Positive relationships with Salisbury Sudans Committee and Alderbury Deanery led to further financial commitments to TEU, for which the ECSSSUP Trustees are very grateful.

Further funds this year were raised for student scholarships, enabling more students to study who previously would not have been able to afford to do so, and covering key teaching and living costs. Many of these scholarships came from individual donors in the US, as well as a range of funders.

ECSSSUP sent out four newsletters to its network of supporters, occasionally with specific funding asks to support strategic projects TEU was undertaking.



New law books received for the library, thanks to the generosity of the International Law Book Facility.

Structure, Governance and Management

Constitution

The charity was registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) on 5th June 2014. The charity is governed by its Constitution (dated 5 June 2015, amended 25 January 2021) and the only voting members are its charity trustees. There are no restrictions in the governing document on the operation of the charity or on its investment powers, other than those imposed by general law.

Appointment of trustees

Trustees are appointed based on having specialist skills required by the charity or having local interest in universities, especially in Africa. There were no changes of trustees during the year.

Prospective trustees are identified through existing networks and expressions of interest. Prospective trustees meet informally with the chair of trustees and, if appropriate, are asked to submit a CV that is made available to all trustees. A quorum of trustees conducts an interview with the individual, following which, a recommendation to appoint or not appoint the individual as a trustee is made at a full meeting of the trustees and a vote is taken. Trustees are appointed if the majority vote is in favour. Up to now, all appointments have been unanimously agreed.

The charity also has a group of Advisors to assist the trustees in providing the expertise necessary to support the work of TEU. There are currently seven Advisors.

Aims of the charity

The aim of the CIO is to advance the education of the public by assisting the Episcopal Churches of South Sudan and Sudan to establish and develop a university in the Anglican Provinces of South Sudan and Sudan by providing professional expertise and support. The university will be a federation of existing colleges that are able to provide appropriate qualifications for university status.

Due to many years of educational neglect in South Sudan there are very few trained doctors, nurses, engineers, lawyers, teachers, business people and agriculturalists in the new country. As a result, the provision of the university is urgent.

Public benefit

The trustees have complied with their duty of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers or duties.

Financial review

ECSSSUP received a grant of £810,000 from the Community of St. Denys in 2023, to build a fence and main entrance gate at the Rokon site. The project is now successfully completed, though the retention is due a year after completion in 2026.

ECSSSUP remains committed to ensuring all donations received go directly to TEU. The charity is run entirely by volunteers.

The net surplus (2024 deficit) at the year-end was £3,386 (2024 £723,331). Income of a restricted nature of £64,850 (2024 £10,585) was received during the year. The total reserves at the end of the year stood at £93,687 (2024 £90,300), of which £64,141 (2024 £71,888) was of a restricted nature.

Reserves policy

Reserves stood at £93,687 at 31st December 2025, of which £64,141 was restricted. All the £64,141 restricted fund is for the Rokon Fence project, to pay the retention early 2026, and some minor tidy up costs.

Unrestricted funds are held to meet the commitment to The Episcopal University of a £48,000 budgeted in 2026 (2025: £30,000) annual grant, paid in quarterly instalments for salaries and running costs. The trustees have agreed it would be desirable to have an unrestricted reserve balance that covers a quarterly instalment of £12,000. At the end of 2025 unrestricted reserves were £29,547 due to significant receipts in the last quarter of 2025, resulting in the increased commitment in 2026 to TEU.

Risk Management

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to these. Regarding the finances of the charity, the charity's only material financial instruments are the bank balances which are constantly monitored and reported at trustees' meetings. The trustees also ensure that all donations made are in accordance with the pre-set budgets of the charity. These budgets are also notified to TEU, and the purposes for which the donations are given are also agreed.

In the event of the work in South Sudan having to cease, the trustees will review the situation and act in accordance with the circumstances.

Trustees' responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards including Financial Reporting Standard 102: The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales 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 income and expenditure of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and accounting 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 sufficient 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 Charities Act 2022, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2024 and the provisions of the trust deed/constitution. 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.

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:

H. John

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H.R John
Chair of trustees

W. Fry

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Wendy E Fry
Treasurer | Trustee

23/4/26

Date:

CHARITY INFORMATION

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| Address | 15 Gibson Close Waterbeach Cambridge CB25 9HY | |
| Charity Registration Number | 1157335 | |
| Trustees | Hanna R John (Chair) Suzan Voga-Duffee Wendy E Fry Eileen F Davis Stephen R Dinsmore Ronald G Hart | |
| Advisory Board | John V Wood Kay Hunter-Johnston Stephen Spencer Alex Simm Nicholas Ramsden Christopher Rider Onyaglanu Idoko | |
| Patron | | |
| Correspondent | Dr Eeva-Maria M John | |
| Bankers | CAF 25 Kings Hill Avenue Kings Hill West Malling Kent ME19 4JQ | Kingdom Bank Media House Padge Road Beeston Nottingham NG9 2RS |
| Independent Examiner | John Arthur Inglis Jones Chartered Global Management Accountant The Old Livery 28-30 Main Street Felton Morpath Northumberland NE65 9PN | |

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Episcopal Churches of South Sudan & Sudan University Partnership

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Episcopal Churches of South Sudan & Sudan University Partnership (the Charity) for the year ended 31st December 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

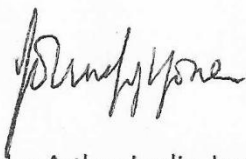
I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

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



John Arthur Inglis-Jones
Chartered Global Management Accountant
The Old Livery
28-30 Main Street
Felton
Morpath
Northumberland
NE65 9PN

Date: 23rd April, 2026

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Year Ended 31 December 2025

| | Note | Unrestricted Funds | Restricted Funds | Total Funds | Total Funds |
|---|-----------|-----------------------|---------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | | 2025 | 2025 | 2025 | 2024 |
| | | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Income from: | | | | | |
| Investments - Bank interest | | 1,698 | - | 1,698 | 11,110 |
| Donations and grants | 2 | 43,415 | 64,850 | 108,265 | 54,249 |
| Total | | 45,113 | 64,850 | 109,963 | 65,359 |
| Expenditure on: | | | | | |
| Charitable activities | 3 | 33,979 | 72,597 | 106,576 | 788,690 |
| Total | | 33,979 | 72,597 | 106,576 | 788,690 |
| Net income/(expenditure) and net movement in funds | 6 | 11,134 | (7,747) | 3,386 | (723,331) |
| Reconciliation of funds | | | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | 12 | 18,412 | 71,888 | 90,300 | 813,631 |
| Total funds carried forward | 12 | 29,546 | 64,141 | 93,687 | 90,300 |

The note on pages 19 to 24 form part of these financial statements.
See note 7 for fund accounting comparative figures.

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2025

| | Note | 2025 £ | 2024 £ |
|--|------|---------------|---------------|
| Current Assets | | | |
| Cash at bank and on deposit | | 91,906 | 88,531 |
| Debtors | 10 | 2,341 | 3,108 |
| | | <u>94,247</u> | <u>91,639</u> |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within one year | 11 | (560) | (1,339) |
| | | <u>93,687</u> | <u>90,300</u> |
| Net assets | | | |
| The funds of the charity | | | |
| Restricted funds | 12 | 64,141 | 71,888 |
| Unrestricted funds | 12 | 29,546 | 18,492 |
| | | <u>93,687</u> | <u>90,300</u> |
| Total charity funds | | | |

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:

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Treasurer | Trustee

23/4/26

Date:

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended 31 December 2025

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2019.

The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

Income

Income from donations is included in income when these are receivable, except as follows:

- i. When donors specify that donations given to the charity must be used in future accounting periods, the income is deferred until those periods;
- ii. When donors impose conditions which have to be fulfilled before the charity becomes entitled to use such income, the income is deferred until the pre-conditions have been met.

Investment income is included on a receivable basis.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised in the period in which it is incurred. Expenditure includes attributable VAT which cannot be recovered.

Raising funds

Raising funds expenditure include those costs incurred in seeking voluntary contributions, costs of goods sold and other costs which include the costs of running and participating in fundraising events and collections and cost of goods purchased for resale.

Charitable Activities

Grants awarded are allocated to charitable activities.

Grants awarded are treated as expenditure and a liability in the accounts as soon as they become legal or constructive obligations. In the case of multi-year grant awards, the funding for all years is immediately recognised unless there are conditions which need to be met by the recipient to enable the release of subsequent years' funding.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended 31 December 2025

1. Accounting Policies (continued)

Governance costs

Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include the audit fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity. Governance costs are included within support costs.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid after taking account of any discounts due.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

Creditors

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any discounts due.

Funds

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Designated funds form part of unrestricted funds and have been identified as being for particular purposes by the Trustees. They are not restricted and can be transferred to general funds at any time at the discretion of the Trustees.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in notes of the financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended 31 December 2025

2. Income from: Donations and grants

| | Unrestricted Funds £ | Restricted Funds £ | Total funds 2025 £ | Total funds 2024 £ |
|------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Donations from: | | | | |
| Individuals | 30,529 | 2,480 | 33,009 | 27,166 |
| Churches | 8,169 | - | 8,169 | 17,572 |
| Trusts | 1,500 | - | 1,500 | 1,973 |
| Grants | - | 62,370 | 62,370 | 2,906 |
| Gift aid recovered | 3,217 | - | 3,217 | 4,632 |
| | <u>43,415</u> | <u>64,850</u> | <u>108,265</u> | <u>54,249</u> |

ECSSSUP has not received any funds from government contracts.

ECSSSUP received £59,183 from outside the UK.

3. Expenditure on: Charitable Activities

| | Unrestricted Funds £ | Restricted Funds £ | Total funds 2025 £ | Total funds 2024 £ |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Grants made (note 4) | 33,178 | 72,517 | 105,695 | 782,199 |
| Travel and subsistence | - | - | - | 2,127 |
| Website | - | - | - | 1,200 |
| Bank and other charges | 351 | 80 | 431 | 1,904 |
| Governance costs (note 5) | 450 | - | 450 | 1,260 |
| | <u>33,979</u> | <u>72,597</u> | <u>106,576</u> | <u>788,690</u> |

Expenditure on charitable activities in the prior year was restricted £62,483, and unrestricted £726,207.

ECSSSUP did not transfer money other than by using the regulated banking system.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries in South Sudan. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

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ECSSSUP works closely with its beneficiary organisation in South Sudan, The Episcopal University. ECSSSUP trustees are satisfied that our risk management policy and procedures adequately cover the activities for which funds are transferred. Trustees make regular visits to South Sudan and ECSSSUP has written agreements with The Episcopal University, especially for the expenditure of restricted funds from grants.

4. Analysis of grants

The total grants awarded to institutions during the year was as follows:

| | Unrestricted Funds 2025 £ | Restricted Funds 2025 £ | Total funds 2025 £ | Total funds 2024 £ |
|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| The Episcopal University (South Sudan) | 11,777 | 58,186 | 69,963 | 774,948 |
| Expenses paid on behalf of TEU | 21,401 | 14,331 | 35,732 | 7,251 |
| | <u>33,178</u> | <u>72,517</u> | <u>105,695</u> | <u>782,199</u> |

5. Governance costs

| | 2025 £ | 2024 £ |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Independent examiner's fee | 450 | 1,260 |

6. Net income / (expenditure) for the year

Is stated after charging:

| | 2025 £ | 2024 £ |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Independent examiners fee | 450 | 1,260 |

No Trustees have been reimbursed for their out of pocket travel expenses (2024: £nil). No Trustee received any remuneration during the year

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7. Statement of Financial Activities comparative figures

| | Note | Unrestricted Funds | Restricted Funds | Total Funds |
|---|-----------|-----------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| | | 2024 | 2024 | 2024 |
| | | £ | £ | £ |
| Income from: | | | | |
| Investments - Bank interest | | 11,110 | - | 11,110 |
| Donations and grants | 2 | 43,664 | 10,585 | 54,249 |
| Total | | 54,774 | 10,585 | 65,359 |
| Expenditure on: | | | | |
| Charitable activities | 3 | 62,483 | 726,207 | 788,690 |
| Total | | 62,483 | 726,207 | 788,690 |
| Net income/(expenditure) and net movement in funds | 6 | (7,709) | (715,622) | (723,331) |
| Reconciliation of funds | | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | 12 | 26,121 | 787,510 | 813,631 |
| Total funds carried forward | 12 | 18,412 | 71,888 | 90,300 |

8. Employees

The charity has no employees.

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9. Taxation

The CIO is a registered charity and is, therefore, exempt from corporation tax.

10. Debtors

| | Total 2025 | Total 2024 |
|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Gift aid recoverable | <u>2,341</u> | <u>3,108</u> |

11. Creditors

| | Total 2025 | Total 2024 |
|----------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Accruals | <u>560</u> | <u>1,339</u> |

12. Movement in funds

| | At 1 Jan 2025 | Income | Expenditure | At 31 Dec 2025 |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Restricted funds | | | | |
| Community of St. Denys | 71,888 | - | 7,747 | 64,141 |
| Local leaders International | - | 49,892 | 49,892 | - |
| Co-workers | | 8,191 | 8,191 | - |
| Other | | 6,767 | 6,767 | - |
| | <u>71,888</u> | <u>64,850</u> | <u>72,597</u> | <u>64,141</u> |
| Unrestricted funds | | | | |
| General funds | <u>18,412</u> | <u>45,113</u> | <u>33,979</u> | <u>29,546</u> |
| Total funds | <u>90,300</u> | <u>109,963</u> | <u>106,576</u> | <u>93,687</u> |

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12. Movement in funds (continued)

| | At 1 Jan 2024 | Income | Expenditure | At 31 Dec 2024 |
|---------------------------|------------------|---------------|----------------|-------------------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Restricted funds | | | | |
| St Augustine Foundation | 3,465 | - | 3,465 | - |
| Community of St. Denys | 783,250 | - | 711,362 | 71,888 |
| Other | 795 | 10,585 | 11,380 | - |
| | 787,510 | 10,585 | 726,207 | 71,888 |
| Unrestricted funds | | | | |
| General funds | 26,121 | 54,774 | 62,483 | 18,412 |
| Total funds | 813,631 | 65,359 | 788,690 | 90,300 |

Community of St. Denys

This fund represents a grant from the Community of St. Denys for the construction of a fence for the new university site at Rokon.

Local Leaders International

This fund represents donations from Local Leaders International for scholarships and LOGS projects.

Co-workers

This fund represents a donation for IT resources for students.

St Augustine Foundation

This fund represents a donation for theological training at The Episcopal University

Other

This includes donations for scholarships, a counselling course, and IT resources..

13. Related Party Transactions

There are no related party transactions.

Episcopal Churches of South Sudan and Sudan University Partnership

England & Wales - Charity number 1157335

Accounts



**Walking shoulder-to-shoulder with
The Episcopal University in South Sudan**

 **ECSSSUP**

2024 Annual Report

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INTRODUCTION

HELLO! Thank you for reading the Annual Report from the Episcopal Churches of South Sudan and Sudan University Partnership (ECSSSUP).

In 2024, ECSSSUP celebrated ten years of commitment to our goal of walking shoulder-to-shoulder with our South Sudanese colleagues to develop The Episcopal University (TEU). We supported the team through advice and guidance, capacity building, fundraising and raising awareness of TEU outside of South Sudan.

Once again, huge steps forward have been taken this year under Vice Chancellor Dr Eeva John, who was appointed in 2023, and her senior leadership team, along with the steadfast support of TEU's Chancellor, Archbishop Justin Badi. From completing the fence in Rokon - the first critical step to developing a new campus there - to getting an accredited Bachelor programme in Theology, to strengthened relationships with TEU campuses, to new extra-curricular courses being taught and innovations in engaging students, we in ECSSSUP are continually in awe of the dedication and progress of TEU's team.

Now more than ever, this university is critical for peace and development of this fragile new nation; but perhaps even more than that, it is bringing life and hope to individuals, real people who have their own ambitions and dreams. From staff members like Vicky, TEU's Finance Director, and Bush, TEU's Librarian, who live apart from their young families and work while studying to give their expertise because they believe in the power of education, to students who have moved far from home and are the first in their villages to study at this level.

When we hear their stories, as you will too as you read this report, we know that together, we must do all we can to support TEU's mission of a better tomorrow, today. I thank all of you for your ongoing interest and commitment in this work.



Above all, we can only express our admiration and gratitude to TEU's staff, the Chancellor, and members of the TEU Governing Council for their determination and the sacrifices they make to keep the vision of quality higher education in South Sudan alive, and to make this dream a reality.

Hanna John

Hanna John - Chair
On behalf of ECSSSUP Trustees

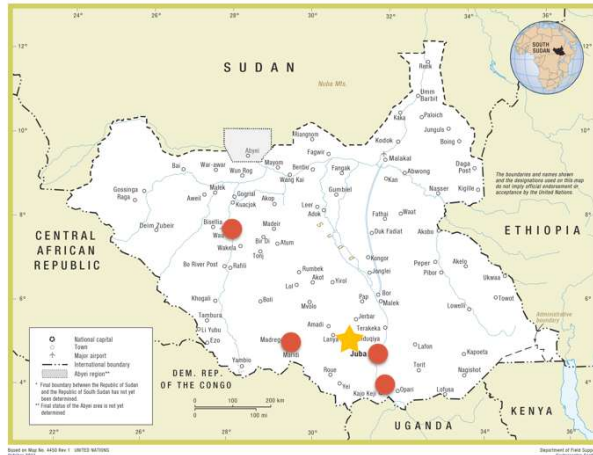
A SNAPSHOT OF THE EPISCOPAL UNIVERSITY IN SOUTH SUDAN

Vision: A vibrant multi-campus university

Mission: To develop students holistically for professional leadership and service.

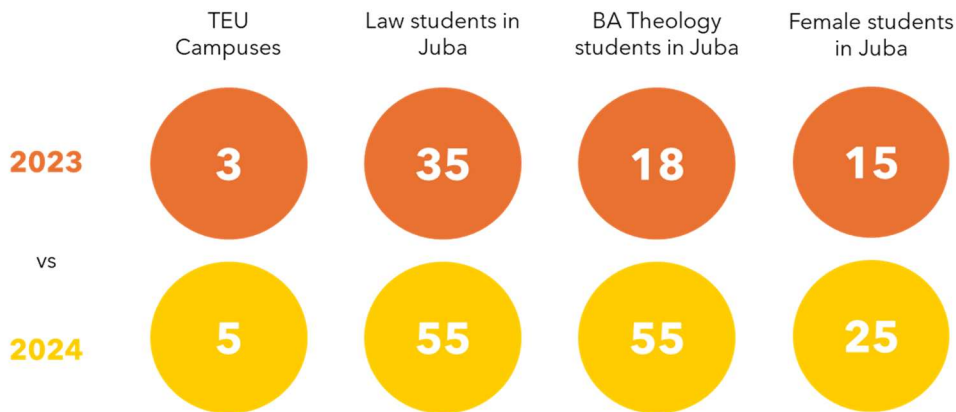
Established in 2015, TEU brings together existing higher education colleges under the same curriculums, accreditation, vision, mission, objectives, and values.

By working together, the colleges can collaborate with resourcing, expertise, sharing curricula and forming strong staff and student connections across South Sudan.

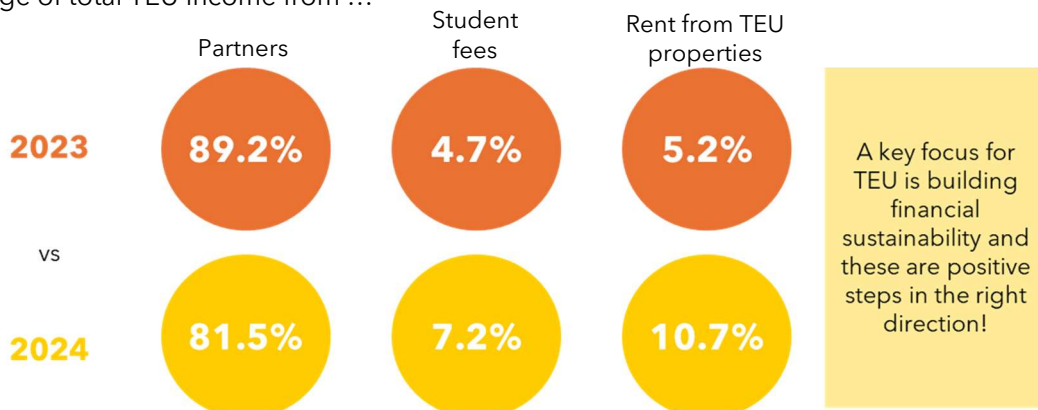


| | |
|---|---|
| JUBA Bishop Gwynne Campus | WAU St John's College |
| MARIDI Chaima Christian Institute | KAJO KEJI Kajo Keji Christian College |
| ROKON New TEU central campus | |

2024 in numbers:



Percentage of total TEU income from ...



ECSSSUP is the UK based charity supporting TEU in its development.

MAIN ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS - TEU

Teaching & Learning at the heart of the university

Naturally, teaching and learning remained at the heart of TEU this year. Alongside diploma programmes in a range of subjects such as Business Administration & Management and Education, offered across TEU's campuses, in May the South Sudan Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Technology granted TEU approval to offer a BA in Theology rather than the previously accredited Diploma programme. This means that two accredited Bachelor's degrees are being offered by TEU - in Law and Theology.

This year also saw new initiatives in partnership with locally based aid organisations. Windle Trust seconded two English language lecturers to teach English language and study skills to TEU's law and theology students at the Juba campus; many students struggle with the level of English required at higher education level, despite graduating with good grades from secondary school, so this programme is particularly important.

The police arm of the UN Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS) has been training 20 selected students on human rights, sexual and gender-based violence, conflict related violence, gender equality and gender mainstreaming. The students will complete this extra-curricular course in June 2025 and will be awarded a certificate; all have given very positive feedback about this course.

In response to an all-staff workshop, staff/student "Fellowship Groups" were also set up this year to encourage mutual pastoral care and spiritual formation. In addition a Holy Week Retreat was held for the whole TEU community on the Juba Campus - there were no classes but a time of prayer, reflection and worship each day. This new tradition was seen as an important part of TEU's distinctiveness as a Christian university. And finally, a new exercise class now runs twice a week for staff and students to keep fit and stay healthy!

Ensuring strong leadership and engaged staff

With the appointment of Dr Eeva John as Vice Chancellor last year, some reorganisation was done in 2024 to ensure that appropriate structures and leadership roles were in place. The new senior team is now made up of the VC and three Deputy VCs for Academic Affairs & Church



Students enjoying induction at the start of the semester.

Relations, Multi-Campus Affairs, and Administration & Public Relations. A new Dean of the Bishop Gwynne School of Theology was appointed, as well as new Directors of Operations, Projects, and a Resident Engineer - critical roles to oversee the various construction projects at TEU.

New contracts were put in place for all staff alongside increased salaries, thanks to funding from the Relay Trust, helping to bring salary levels more in line with economic climate albeit still far lower than NGOs in the country.

Further all staff meetings and workshops were held with great positive feedback from those involved - from guards and cooks to DVCs, finance and operations teams. These meetings focused on developing more efficient ways of working, agreeing important habits and behaviours fitting for a Christian university aiming to offer the highest standards, agreeing and developing the Staff Handbook, and developing and reviewing key policies.

Strengthening relationships with TEU Campuses

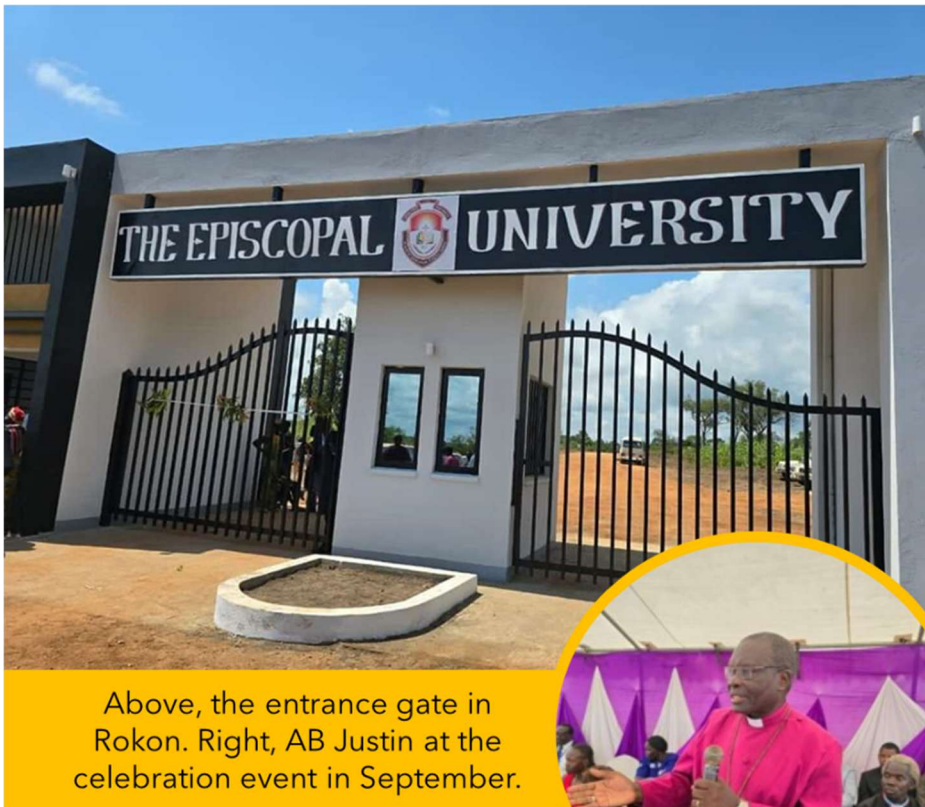
June saw a meeting held between the Senior TEU team and Principals from St John's College Wau, Chaima Christian Institute Maridi and Kajo-Keji Christian College. In-person meetings like this are expensive for TEU but critical to strengthening relationships with the campus leadership and maintaining commitment to their individual development and partnership with TEU. Together, this team agreed to work towards a shared Academic Framework for validated programmes in Business Studies, Theology and Education. The group clarified policies around student admissions and discussed the Memorandum of Understanding between TEU and the colleges; in fact, the colleges expressed the desire to be "campuses" and not "Affiliated Institutions" - which were seen as retaining more independence. This reflects a positive step in colleges wanting to be part of the larger TEU institution and overseen by TEU central administration.

Meetings were also held with Yei Teacher Training College and Bishop Allison Theological College, both of which agreed to become campus colleges under TEU. Making this a reality will be a focus for 2025.



The attendees of the meeting between TEU & College Leaders.

Progressing construction projects



Above, the entrance gate in Rokon. Right, AB Justin at the celebration event in September.

2024 was an exciting year for construction projects at TEU. Following generous funding from the Community of St Denys via ECSSSUP in 2023 to build a fence and entrance gate in Rokon - the critical first step of developing a new campus on the site - TEU received 29 submissions to an Invitation for Bids and, with a panel involving project and engineering experts of TEU and Engineering Ministries

International (EMI), four construction companies were shortlisted and local firm Canaan Construction Company offered the contract.

The fence was completed in Q3 and included a solar-powered pump and water storage tank as well as the fence and entrance gate. The funding even allowed for a new vehicle for TEU to enable regular monitoring visits. To commemorate the completion of the fence, a dedication ceremony was held on 14th September with dignitaries from local, regional and national government, representatives from NGOs, businesses, other colleges and universities, ECSS and hundreds of people from the Rokon community. TEU Chancellor Archbishop Justin Badi dedicated the gate and fence and blessed the Foundation stone for the first building that will be built when funds are found. Ron Hart attended on behalf of ECSSSUP and the St Denys Community. Overall, the partnership with both EMI and Canaan Construction Company has been overwhelmingly positive and we hope they will continue.

It was not just Rokon that saw development this year; Juba Campus desperately needs expansion: two new classrooms are needed to accommodate all the classes in 2025. Plans were drawn up by TEU and EMI but unfortunately, funding fell through at the last minute. It is vital that the classrooms are built by mid-2025 so finding funds will be a priority. In the short-term alternative plans to renovate existing buildings have been developed which are lower cost, although still require funding, and will not interfere with the longer-term plans for the campus.

Plans are in place for a basic health clinic, landscaping work and the creation of a sports and activity area for recreational purposes for students – part of TEU’s vision for holistic education with opportunities for extra-curricular activities.

Despite the disappointing halt to progress, improvements were made across the campus including repairing the library roof, installation and repair of solar panels, clearing up the library to give more space, provision of seating outside for students and a greener campus, cheaper and better internet provision, better sanitary facilities, new residential spaces and fans – important given the heat! Much of this was due to generous funding from the Bishop Holtam Fund.

Ongoing commitment to financial self-sustainability

Being financially self-sustaining has always been part of TEU’s ambitions, with income from student fees, rental properties and investments, as well as a range of entrepreneurial projects that will benefit staff, students and the wider community such as a health clinic, agricultural work, and using the university space as a venue for retreats and conferences. This year, student fees were raised for all students in Juba to be more in line with other universities.

Additionally, the Legal Committee which was established in 2023 has been hard at work on contracts with tenants on TEU-owned properties. Not only have they been chasing payments of arrears but reviewing and updating the agreements to increase historically low prices. This complex work has been painstakingly slow and challenging, but it is hoped will come to fruition in 2025.

Finally, Augustine, one of TEU's staff members, provided some of the ten acres of farmland he and his family own just outside Juba to benefit TEU. Along with Barnabas, Student President, he put together a business case for a project to use that land to grow food for students. Having fresh fruit and vegetables is important as students increasingly get ill due to poor diet. 30 students signed up to help and, with some fundraising support from ECSSSUP, they planted out 20,000 seedlings on “Farm Sinai” which can be harvested to provide fresh food for staff and students on Juba campus, as well as selling at the market for funds.



Sinai Farm - with seedlings planted in the heat of the sun.

Becoming digitally connected

TEU developed their new website this year - a project that has been a long time coming! You can view it here: www.teu.edu.ss. This also enables prospective students to download a form as part of their application. All staff now also have official .edu.ss email addresses, enabling better communication between staff members and a more professional identity.

This year is the first year that all students were registered digitally, enabling a central database to track and store student data. This is thanks to TEU's Librarian, Bush, who has worked hard this year not only to keep the library in excellent condition but also on other projects that benefit the university. This is also the first year whereby students must write their assessments digitally rather than by hand.



Bush, TEU's Librarian who lives apart from his family to work at TEU

Ensuring good governance

Following the inaugural Governing Council meetings in 2023, two in-person Governing Councils were held in March and November of 2024. The Council reviewed TEU's 2023 report, agreed the updated management and governance structures, reviewed the MoU for affiliated institutions (now called campuses), approved the 2024 budget and reviewed and contributed to the 2024 strategy and plan - including agreeing to focus on developing Schools of Business Studies, Agriculture, Education and Health Sciences as a priority. They also agreed in future to meet virtually once a year and in-person once a year to reduce costs whilst ensure sustained oversight.



The Governing Council outside the university chapel

MAIN ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS - ECSSSUP

The trustees of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan and Sudan University Partnership (ECSSSUP) have achieved their objectives during this period by continuing to use their expertise to provide The Episcopal University (TEU) team in South Sudan with appropriate advice as the team continued to progress the development of the university.

2024 saw the continuation of a commitment to support the team through **governance, capacity building, awareness raising, fundraising and partnerships.**

Governance

The trustees of ECSSSUP have continued to advise, support and monitor the progress of the university during 2024, using its trustees, advisors, funders and new partners, who together bring expertise across higher education, fundraising, and strategic development.

Trustees met six times in 2024, once in person at the start of the year to agree the charity's priorities and ensure alignment with TEU's strategic plan. Ron Hart, who remained a committed volunteer over the past year, including taking on a role of oversight for the funding from the Community of St Denys and the Rokon project, was re-appointed Trustee on 30th September. ECSSSUP Advisors continued to step in to provide support and advice aligned to their area of interest and expertise and received quarterly updates from ECSSSUP & TEU. The practice of sharing quarterly reports between TEU and ECSSSUP continued, to promote transparency and accountability - and to enable streamlined reporting requirements with other partners.

A key role for ECSSSUP continues to be the management and transfer of funds from ECSSSUP to TEU - no mean feat as these transactions have been more tightly governed and regulated than ever by banks. However, this is an important role of the charity, and has enabled us to ensure robust oversight of the Rokon project and provision of funds from partners to TEU, including Community of St Denys, Salisbury Diocese and St Augustine's Foundation.

Hanna had the privilege of attending the Governing Council Meetings on behalf of ECSSSUP in March and November, and was once again so encouraged to see the progress made by TEU, gain clarity on TEU's strategy, and continue to build relationships with staff and other overseas partners.

Naturally, there was the continuing challenge of the limited capacity of ECSSSUP Trustees to take on the required active roles of a small charity with no employed staff.

Capacity building



Hanna with some of TEU's operational staff team in Juba

As always, it is a privilege to visit TEU's team in South Sudan and spend time with them to better understand their goals and experience a small part of the challenging environment within which they have made incredible progress. ECSSSUP's Treasurer, Wendy Fry, spent some time in Juba working with the finance team to ensure good process and systematisation of finances, as well as ensuring QuickBooks is working efficiently.

ECSSSUP's Chair, Hanna John, ran several staff workshops during her two visits, focusing on how to create more effective ways of working, organisation and planning, and developing

"good" partnerships. ECSSSUP remains steadfastly committed to the vision and mission of TEU, and part of the work she did sought to support the team in making good decisions about which partners to work with those who share in and are committed in the long-term to helping TEU achieve their vision and mission - without underlying alternative agendas.

Awareness raising and publicity

To celebrate its 10th year of being a registered charity, ECSSSUP planned to hold an anniversary event at Lambeth Palace with the intention of fundraising for TEU and expanding its network of possible partners and donors. Unfortunately, due to the lack of capacity of trustees and the resignation of ECSSSUP's patron, Caroline Welby, this was postponed for 2025.

ECSSSUP completed an update to its own website - you can see it here:

<https://www.ecsssup.org/> Feedback has been positive and it is hoped that it more clearly lays out the relationship between TEU and ECSSSUP, as well as inspiring those who see it to play a role in supporting the vision.

ECSSSUP sent out five newsletters to its network of supporters, with an average open rate of 68%, an increase from 2023.

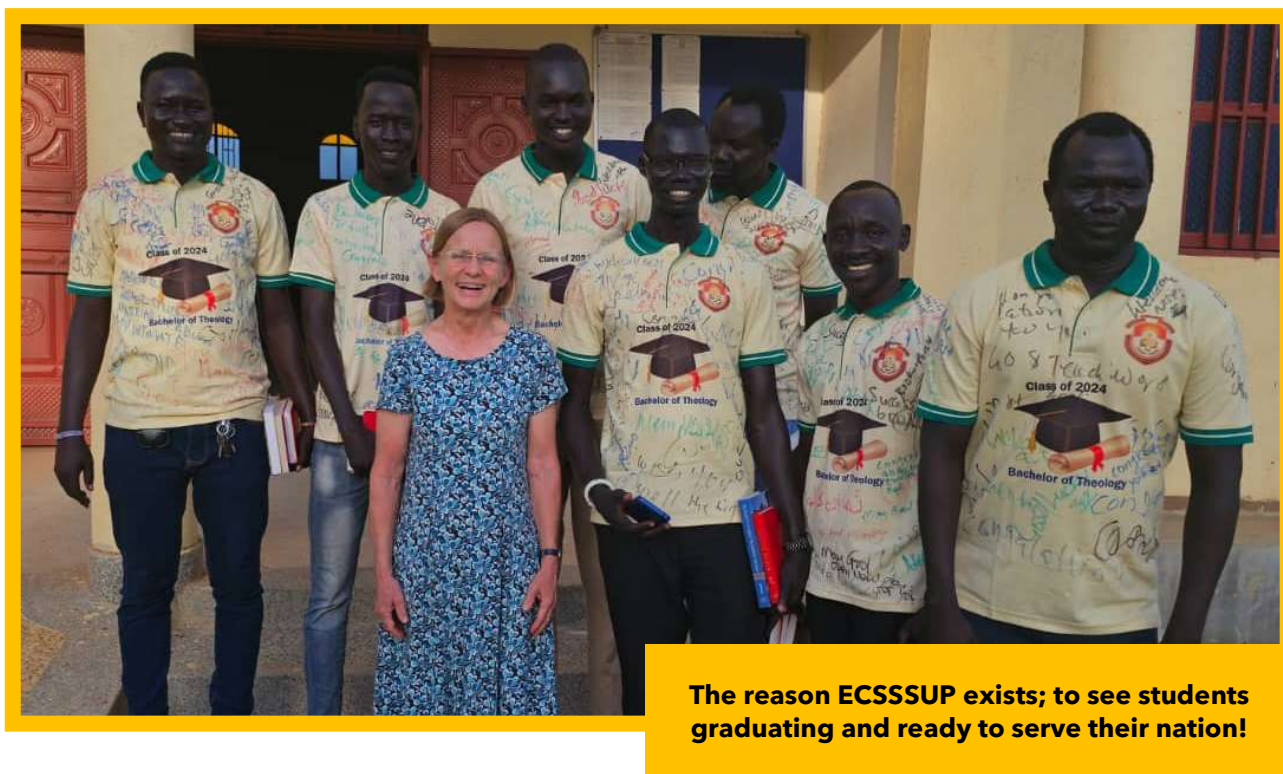
Fundraising

Individual / regular giving remained a challenge and ECSSSUP continued to see a downward trend in individual giving throughout the year. This created an ongoing challenge against ECSSSUP's commitment to support operational and running costs in a meaningful way and the committed quarterly funds had to be reduced in Q2. ECSSSUP also made applications to the Archbishop of Canterbury's Charitable Foundation and Trinity Wall Street's Mission Real Estate Development fund - both were sadly unsuccessful. This reflects the competitive funding

landscape in the UK/US, higher education not being a priority for funders, and ECSSSUP's fairly small network of individuals and churches. Individual giving, expanding networks and a focused list of institutional funding to apply for will be a focus for ECSSSUP in 2025.

However, ECSSSUP did bring in a new US-based volunteer to work with long-standing partner to TEU, AFRECS, with a specific remit to make an application to and, if successful, manage the relationship, with USAID America Schools and Hospitals Abroad fund. This would have been a significant fund to tap into and the intention was to focus on capital projects - both education and medical facilities - which can be difficult to find funding for. ECSSSUP was hopeful about this and truly grateful to AFRECS for their continued commitment, and for our new volunteer, but unfortunately USAID was closed in 2025 with no funding available. ECSSSUP will continue to work with stakeholders to identify sources of funding from the US.

ECSSSUP did successfully raise small amounts of funding for seeds and equipment for Sinai Farm, as well as for TEU's Librarian, Bush, to complete his Masters in Librarianship and Information Science, which will be of huge benefit to TEU.



Structure, Governance and Management

Constitution

The charity was registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) on 5th June 2014. The charity is governed by its Constitution (dated 5 June 2014, amended 25 January 2021) and the only voting members are its charity trustees. There are no restrictions in the governing document on the operation of the charity or on its investment powers, other than those imposed by general law.

Appointment of trustees

Trustees are appointed on the basis of having specialist skills required by the charity or having local interest in universities, especially in Africa. Changes of trustees during the year are noted on page 15.

Prospective trustees are identified through existing networks and expressions of interest. Prospective trustees meet informally with the chair of trustees and, if appropriate, are asked to submit a CV that is made available to all trustees. A quorum of trustees conducts an interview with the individual, following which, a recommendation to appoint or not appoint the individual as a trustee is made at a full meeting of the trustees and a vote is taken. Trustees are appointed if the majority vote is in favour. Up to now, all appointments have been unanimously agreed.

The charity also has a group of Advisors to assist the trustees in providing the expertise necessary to support the work of TEU. There are currently seven Advisors.

Aims of the charity

The aim of the CIO is to advance the education of the public by assisting the Episcopal Churches of South Sudan and Sudan to establish and develop a university in the Anglican Provinces of South Sudan and Sudan by providing professional expertise and support. The university will be a federation of existing colleges that are considered to be able to provide appropriate qualifications for university status.

Due to many years of educational neglect in South Sudan there are very few trained doctors, nurses, engineers, lawyers, teachers, business people and agriculturalists in the new country. As a result, the provision of the university is urgent.

Public benefit

The trustees have complied with their duty of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers or duties.

Financial review

ECSSSUP received a grant of £810,000 from the Community of St. Denys in 2023, to build a fence and main entrance gate at the Rokon site. The project is now successfully completed, though the retention is due a year after completion in 2025.

ECSSSUP remains committed to ensuring all donations received go directly to TEU despite being classified as a large charity and is run entirely by volunteers.

The net deficit (2023 surplus) at the year-end was £723,331 (2023 £793,589). Income of a restricted nature of £10,585 (2023 £810,795) was received during the year. The total reserves at the end of the year stood at £90,300 (2023 £813,631), of which £71,888 (2023 £787,510) was of a restricted nature.

Reserves policy

Reserves stood at £90,300 at 31st December 2024, of which £71,888 was restricted. All of the £71,888 restricted fund is for the Rokon Fence project, to pay the retention and some minor tidy up costs. Unrestricted funds are held to meet the quarterly grant commitment to The Episcopal University. The charity has minimal overheads to cover on an ongoing basis. The Trustees plan to hold minimal reserves, but to pass on all donations received to TEU on a timely basis.

Risk Management

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to these. Regarding the finances of the charity, the charity's only material financial instruments are the bank balances which are constantly monitored and reported at trustees' meetings. The trustees also ensure that all donations made are in accordance with the ethos of the charity. The purposes for which the donations are given are agreed with TEU.

In the event of the work in South Sudan having to cease, the trustees will review the situation and act in accordance with the circumstances.

Trustees' responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards including Financial Reporting Standard 102: The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales 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 income and expenditure of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and accounting 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 sufficient 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 Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed/constitution. 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.

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:

Hanna John

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H.R John
Chair of Trustees

Wendy Fry

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Wendy E Fry
Treasurer | Trustee

Date: Jun 10 2025

CHARITY INFORMATION

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| Advisory Board | John V Wood Kay Hunter-Johnston Stephen Spencer Alex Simm Nicholas Ramsden Christopher Rider Onyaglanu Idoko | |
| Patron | Caroline Welby (resigned 6 January 2025) | |
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Episcopal Churches of South Sudan & Sudan University Partnership

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Episcopal Churches of South Sudan & Sudan University Partnership (the Charity) for the year ended 31st December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

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

Joshua Kingston

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Jun 10 2025
Date:

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Year Ended 31 December 2024

| | Note | Unrestricted Funds | Restricted Funds | Total Funds | Total Funds |
|---|------|-----------------------|---------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | | 2024 | 2024 | 2024 | 2023 |
| | | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Income from: | | | | | |
| Investments - Bank interest | | 11,110 | - | 11,110 | 7,955 |
| Donations and grants | 2 | 43,664 | 10,585 | 54,249 | 868,228 |
| Total | | 54,774 | 10,585 | 65,359 | 876,183 |
| Expenditure on: | | | | | |
| Charitable activities | 3 | 62,483 | 726,207 | 788,690 | 82,594 |
| Total | | 62,483 | 726,207 | 788,690 | 82,594 |
| Net income/(expenditure) and net movement in funds | 6 | (7,709) | (715,622) | (723,331) | 793,589 |
| Reconciliation of funds | | | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | 12 | 26,121 | 787,510 | 813,631 | 20,042 |
| Total funds carried forward | 12 | 18,412 | 71,888 | 90,300 | 813,631 |

**The note on pages 20 to 24 form part of these financial statements.
See note 7 for fund accounting comparative figures.**

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2024

| | Note | 2024 £ | 2023 £ |
|--|------|---------------|----------------|
| Current Assets | | | |
| Cash at bank and on deposit | | 88,531 | 812,233 |
| Debtors | 10 | 3,108 | 2,574 |
| | | <u>91,639</u> | <u>814,807</u> |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within one year | 11 | (1,339) | (1,176) |
| | | <u>90,300</u> | <u>813,631</u> |
| Net assets | | | |
| The funds of the charity | | | |
| Restricted funds | 12 | 71,888 | 787,510 |
| Unrestricted funds | 12 | 18,412 | 26,121 |
| | | <u>90,300</u> | <u>813,631</u> |
| Total charity funds | | <u>90,300</u> | <u>813,631</u> |

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:

Hanna John

.....
H.R. John
Chair of trustees

Wendy Fry

.....
Wendy E Fry
Treasurer | Trustee

Jun 10 2025
Date:

**The note on pages 20 to 24 form part of these financial statements.
See note 7 for fund accounting comparative figures.**

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended 31 December 2024

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention (except where otherwise stated in the accounting policy note) and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019, and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), and the Charities Act 2011.

The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

Income

Income from donations is included in income when these are receivable, except as follows:

- i. When donors specify that donations given to the charity must be used in future accounting periods, the income is deferred until those periods;
- ii. When donors impose conditions which have to be fulfilled before the charity becomes entitled to use such income, the income is deferred until the pre-conditions have been met.

Investment income is included on a receivable basis.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised in the period in which it is incurred. Expenditure includes attributable VAT which cannot be recovered.

Raising funds

Raising funds expenditure include those costs incurred in seeking voluntary contributions, costs of goods sold and other costs which include the costs of running and participating in fundraising events and collections and cost of goods purchased for resale.

Charitable Activities

Grants awarded are allocated to charitable activities.

Grants awarded are treated as expenditure and a liability in the accounts as soon as they become legal or constructive obligations. In the case of multi-year grant awards, the funding for all years is immediately recognised unless there are conditions which need to be met by the recipient to enable the release of subsequent years' funding.

Governance costs

Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include the audit fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity. Governance costs are included within support costs.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended 31 December 2024

1. Accounting Policies (continued)

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid after taking account of any discounts due.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

Creditors

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any discounts due.

Funds

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Designated funds form part of unrestricted funds and have been identified as being for particular purposes by the Trustees. They are not restricted and can be transferred to general funds at any time at the discretion of the Trustees.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in notes of the financial statements.

2. Income from: Donations and grants

| | Unrestricted Funds £ | Restricted Funds £ | Total funds 2024 £ | Total funds 2023 £ |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Donations from: | | | | |
| Individuals | 26,626 | 540 | 27,166 | 36,087 |
| Churches | 10,906 | 6,666 | 17,572 | 12,453 |
| Trusts | 1,500 | 473 | 1,973 | 1,220 |
| Grants | - | 2,906 | 2,906 | 810,795 |
| Gift aid recovered | 4,632 | - | 4,632 | 7,673 |
| | <u>43,664</u> | <u>10,585</u> | <u>54,249</u> | <u>868,228</u> |

Income from donations and grants in the prior year was unrestricted, except for £810,795 grants.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended 31 December 2024

2. Income from: Donations and grants (continued)

ECSSSUP has not received any funds from government contracts.

ECSSSUP received £790 from outside the UK.

3. Expenditure on: Charitable Activities

| | Unrestricted Funds | Restricted Funds | Total funds 2024 | Total funds 2023 |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Grants made (note 4) | 56,110 | 726,089 | 782,199 | 78,559 |
| Travel and subsistence | 2,127 | - | 2,127 | 2,260 |
| Printing | - | - | - | 263 |
| Website | 1,200 | - | 1,200 | - |
| Bank and other charges | 1,786 | 118 | 1,904 | 216 |
| Governance costs (note 5) | 1,260 | - | 1,260 | 1,296 |
| | 62,483 | 726,207 | 788,690 | 82,594 |

Expenditure on charitable activities in the prior year was restricted £28,485, and unrestricted £54,109.

ECSSSUP did not transfer money other than by using the regulated banking system.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries in South Sudan. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

ECSSSUP works closely with its beneficiary organisation in South Sudan, The Episcopal University. ECSSSUP trustees are satisfied that our risk management policy and procedures adequately cover the activities for which funds are transferred. Trustees make regular visits to South Sudan and ECSSSUP has written agreements with The Episcopal University, especially for the expenditure of restricted funds from grants.

4. Analysis of grants

The total grants awarded to institutions during the year was as follows:

| | Unrestricted Funds | Restricted Funds | Total funds 2024 | Total funds 2023 |
|--|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| The Episcopal University (South Sudan) | 50,514 | 724,434 | 774,948 | 76,791 |
| Expenses paid on behalf of TEU | 5,596 | 1,655 | 7,251 | 1,768 |
| | 56,110 | 726,089 | 782,199 | 78,559 |

Total grants awarded to institutions in the prior year was £26,675 and unrestricted £51,884.

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5. Governance costs

| | 2024 | 2023 |
|----------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Independent examiner's fee | 1,260 | 1,176 |
| QuickBooks consultant | - | 120 |
| | <u>1,260</u> | <u>1,296</u> |

6. Net income / (expenditure) for the year

Is stated after charging:

| | 2024 | 2023 |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Independent examiners fee | <u>1,260</u> | <u>1,176</u> |

No Trustees have been reimbursed for their out of pocket travel expenses (2023: £nil). No Trustee received any remuneration during the year.

7. Statement of Financial Activities comparative figures

| | Unrestricted Funds £ | Restricted Funds £ | Total funds 2023 £ |
|--|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Income from: | | | |
| Investments - bank interest | 7,955 | - | 7,955 |
| Donations and grants | 57,433 | 810,795 | 868,228 |
| Total | <u>65,388</u> | <u>810,795</u> | <u>876,183</u> |
| Expenditure on: | | | |
| Charitable activities | 54,109 | 28,485 | 82,594 |
| Total | <u>54,109</u> | <u>28,485</u> | <u>82,594</u> |
| Net income/ (expenditure) and net movement in funds | 11,279 | 782,310 | 793,589 |
| Reconciliation of funds | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | 14,842 | 5,200 | 20,042 |
| Total funds carried forward | <u>26,121</u> | <u>787,510</u> | <u>813,631</u> |

8. Employees

The charity has no employees.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended 31 December 2024

9. Taxation

The CIO is a registered charity and is, therefore, exempt from corporation tax.

10. Debtors

| | Total 2024 | Total 2023 |
|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Gift aid recoverable | 3,108 | 2,574 |
| | <hr/> 3,108 | <hr/> 2,574 |

11. Creditors

| | Total 2024 | Total 2023 |
|----------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Accruals | 1,339 | 1,176 |
| | <hr/> 1,339 | <hr/> 1,176 |

12. Movement in funds

| | At 1 Jan 2024 | Income | Expenditure | At 31 Dec 2024 |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Restricted funds | | | | |
| St Augustine Foundation | 3,465 | - | 3,465 | - |
| Community of St. Denys | 783,250 | - | 711,362 | 71,888 |
| Other | 795 | 10,585 | 11,380 | - |
| | <hr/> 787,510 | 10,585 | 726,207 | 71,888 |
| Unrestricted funds | | | | |
| General funds | 26,121 | 54,774 | 62,483 | 18,412 |
| | <hr/> 813,631 | 65,359 | 788,690 | 90,300 |

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended 31 December 2024

12. Movement in funds (continued)

| | At 1 Jan 2023 | Income | Expenditure | At 31 Dec 2023 |
|---------------------------|------------------|---------|-------------|-------------------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Restricted funds | | | | |
| St Augustine Foundation | 5,200 | - | 1,735 | 3,465 |
| Community of St. Denys | - | 810,000 | 26,750 | 783,250 |
| Other | - | 795 | - | 795 |
| | 5,200 | 810,795 | 28,485 | 787,510 |
| Unrestricted funds | | | | |
| General funds | 14,842 | 65,388 | 54,109 | 26,121 |
| Total funds | 20,042 | 876,183 | 82,594 | 813,631 |

St Augustine Foundation

This fund represents a donation from St Augustine Foundation specifically for theological training at The Episcopal University.

Community of St. Denys

This fund represents a grant from the Community of St. Denys for the construction of a fence for the new university site at Rokon.

Other

This includes donations for scholarships, a donation for solar panels, and donations for the Sinai farm project.

13. Related Party Transactions

There are no related party transactions.



Thank you for your interest in The Episcopal University

A better tomorrow begins today!

 **ECSSSUP**

Working with The Episcopal University of South Sudan:
Educating leaders for a peaceful and prosperous future

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INTRODUCTION

HELLO! Thank you for reading the Annual Report from the Episcopal Churches of South Sudan and Sudan University Partnership (ECSSSUP).

ECSSSUP was formed in 2011 and became a registered charity in 2014. The focus of our efforts over the last 10 years has been to work alongside our South Sudanese colleagues to establish and develop The Episcopal University in South Sudan (TEU). Throughout 2023, ECSSSUP has continued in its aims to support the development of TEU through advice and guidance, capacity building, fundraising and in raising awareness of TEU outside of South Sudan.

2023 has seen real progress made, including appointing a new Vice Chancellor and forging partnerships which have the potential to propel TEU even further in its development. The capital projects to build a new campus in Rokon and to develop the Juba campus continue to progress with the expertise of Engineering Ministries International and a highly-qualified and capable TEU project team.

As trustees, we recognise that there are many challenges in realising an ambition so great - South Sudan continues to suffer from instability and economic decline, which means that the need for people in South Sudan to have access to quality higher education is greater than ever. The country still needs doctors and nurses and teachers and entrepreneurs and engineers and lawyers, pastors and peacemakers.

When we hear stories from staff and students, such as from David who is studying law (see next page), we know that together, we must do all we can to support TEU's mission of a better tomorrow, today.

We are excited for you to read about all that has been achieved this past year - and of course, all we still have left to do. For now, we can only thank you who have expressed interest and commitment to this work, for without you, it would not be possible.

And above all, we thank TEU's staff and the members of the TEU Governing Council for their determination and the sacrifices they make to keep the vision of quality higher education in South Sudan alive, and to move it forward.

With gratitude,
ECSSSUP Trustees



A SNAPSHOT OF THE EPISCOPAL UNIVERSITY IN SOUTH SUDAN

Vision: A vibrant multi-campus Christian-foundation university offering holistic learning of the highest quality

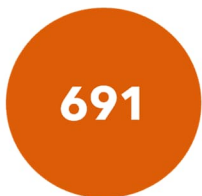
Mission: To develop students holistically and inspire them to be servant leaders who transform communities in South Sudan and beyond

Established in 2015, TEU brings together existing higher education colleges under the same curriculums, accreditation, vision, mission, objectives, and values.

By working together, the colleges can collaborate with resourcing, expertise, sharing curricula and forming strong staff and student connections across South Sudan.



| | |
|---|---|
| JUBA Bishop Gwynne Campus | WAU St John's College |
| MARIDI Chaima Christian Institute | KAJO KEJI Kajo Keji Christian College |
| ROKON New TEU central campus | |



Students across all colleges



Full & Part-time teaching staff



Government-accredited degrees offered



New campus being built



David is studying law at TEU. He said,

“In our country there are laws, but some individuals tend to be above the law and make the poor suffer ... I have to do something. As a lawyer, I will stand for those who are voiceless. I will advocate for their rights... Initially my plan was to study in Uganda but all of a sudden, I hear that TEU offers law - **wow!** I have decided to come back home and study here.”

ECSSSUP is the UK Charity that works shoulder-to-shoulder with TEU to support its development.

MAIN ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS - TEU

The trustees of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan and Sudan University Partnership (ECSSSUP) have achieved their objectives during this period by continuing to use their expertise to provide The Episcopal University (TEU) team in South Sudan with appropriate advice as the team continued to progress the development of the university.

New Vice Chancellor of TEU appointed

Following the resignation of Vice Chancellor Rev Dr Peter Ensor, the Archbishop and Primate of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan, Justin Badi Arama, in his capacity as Chancellor of TEU, announced and installed the new Vice Chancellor, Dr Eeva John, on 8th September 2023. Eeva is the founder of ECSSSUP and, until June 2023, its Chair of Trustees. She is well known among the staff of TEU and her experience in higher education includes teaching in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, as well as in a number of theological colleges in the UK. She was installed in a service which included a procession of senior academic staff, the robing of Eeva as VC, and the passing of the University mace from Peter to Eeva, accompanied by speeches, prayers and singing.

She reflected: "Our priority now and always has been to build a university of very high international standards with a strong and distinct Christian character. This university will play a pivotal role in building peace through higher education in this country. It will equip young people with the skills they need to contribute to the nation-building process, while promoting unity among students from diverse backgrounds."



Dr Eeva-Maria John at her installation as VC in Juba in September

Inaugural Governing Council Meetings

TEU's Governing Council held its first two meetings in March and September 2023. The Governing Council is made up of senior figures from the Government, the Episcopal Church of South Sudan, Juba University and private businesses, and is chaired by Archbishop and Primate Justin Badi, TEU's Chancellor. The Council met to review financial, operational and strategic reports from the university, discuss future plans and make key decisions brought to them by TEU leadership. It was recognised that there is much to progress and a number of smaller committees were formed to carry out this work; they will report on this progress in the Council's next meeting in March 2024.

First accredited students of Law and Theology begin their studies

In September 2023, TEU admitted its first students to the fully accredited Bachelor's Degree programme in Law (LLB) and the Diploma programme in Theology. This represented a historic moment in the life of the University.

The number of Law students totalled 35, half of whom are women. The Bishop Gwynne School of Theology admitted 18 students, with no women. Students completed their examinations at the end of the Semester in December. A major challenge is recruiting more female theological educators as well as students.



Creation of TEU's Legal Committee

A much-needed legal committee made up of [part-time] highly qualified lawyers specialising in public and commercial law has been established to provide legal support, advice and guidance to the university community, ensuring compliance with legal obligations, mitigating risks and fostering a culture of legal awareness and understanding. They also have the responsibility of developing and reviewing key university policies, procedures and guidelines, as well as conducting legal training programmes, workshops and seminars. In 2023, they began the long task of reviewing various contracts TEU holds with business who have leased land from the Episcopal Church / TEU and ensuring these will support TEU's goal of becoming financially self-sufficient. This work will continue into 2024.

Capital Projects: Development of The Episcopal University campus in Rokon and Juba

In 2019, TEU secured land in Rokon to develop a new campus and work was subsequently carried out over the following years, including topographical and geophysical surveys and the digging of three boreholes for water. TEU also entered into a partnership with Engineering Ministries International (EMI), an international Christian engineering consultancy. In 2022 EMI completed a full architecture masterplan for the campus buildings, including details of the civil and electrical engineering work to be done, and a costed and phased management plan for the work.

2023 saw significant development in the critical first phase of this project - the building of a fence and a main entrance gate to secure the land. Two senior members of staff were hired by TEU to manage the project in partnership with EMI - an Engineer and Project Director. Preparation was completed by TEU and EMI for the bidding process to select a contractor for the building of the fence. Bids were received in January 2024. After a rigorous assessment process, a final contractor was selected from a shortlist to carry out the work. At the time of writing, work has begun and is due to be completed in June 2024.



Some of the EMI team in Rokon



The Juba Campus

A large EMI team visited South Sudan again in late 2022 focused on redevelopment of the Juba site of TEU, currently occupied by the Bishop Gwynne School of Theology and the School of Law, as well as student accommodation and administrative offices. Topographic surveys were carried out, boundary lines established, and a full engineering plan and architectural design for the redevelopment have been completed by EMI, in partnership with TEU's Engineer and Project Director.

Funding and detailed plans for construction have been agreed with Anglican Aid Australia, and building is due to begin in September 2024.

It is evident that the partnership between TEU and EMI is very effective, with its shoulder-to-shoulder approach to partnership and capacity building. ECSSSUP is grateful for the expertise and resources EMI is providing for these projects.

Maturing Financial Management

ECSSSUP organised and financed the provision of Quick Books cloud software for TEU to enable more effective and efficient financial management, including the provision of data for audit purposes. A key challenge has been that South Sudanese Pounds (SSP), the currency widely used alongside USD in South Sudan, is not currently supported by Quick Books and ECSSSUP successfully lobbied for it be added as a currency to the system. ECSSSUP's Treasurer, Wendy Fry, continues to work closely with TEU's Director of Finance on this implementation, as well as wider financial reporting, the audit and yearly budgeting. Utilising the cloud version of Quick Books, rather than the current desktop version, makes TEU's commitment to transparency, automation, and retention of data for auditing much easier.

Towards a multi-campus vision for TEU

TEU is continuing to relate to its affiliated institutions in Maridi, Wau and Kajo Keji. In order to enable these colleges to offer university accredited programmes, they will need to deliver the same curriculums as TEU in Juba, and ensure they have sufficient numbers of staff with postgraduate qualifications that are authenticated by the Government of South Sudan. For some, this is a difficult hurdle to overcome, and a focus of TEU's work in the coming year will be to enable this to take place so that the multi-campus vision of TEU becomes a reality.



Some of the core TEU staff team working together in Juba

MAIN ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS - ECSSSUP

Changes to the ECSSSUP Trustee Board and Advisory Group

ECSSSUP's Founder and Chair, Eeva-Maria John, and long-standing Trustee, Ron Hart, completed the maximum number of terms allowed in 2023. This meant that ECSSSUP saw a number of changes to the Trustee Board. Hanna John was appointed Chair of Trustees in June, and three new trustees were appointed, including a new Treasurer. They bring a wealth of expertise and skills to ECSSSUP, including theological education, financial acumen and mission-based relief and development work. Both Eeva-Maria and Ron remain actively involved in ECSSSUP/TEU, Eeva-Maria as Interim Vice Chancellor of TEU and Ron in a voluntary capacity specifically acting as ECSSSUP liaison with TEU for the Rokon Fence project. The "refreshed" trustee board took the opportunity to review and update all key ECSSSUP policies to ensure alignment with good governance criteria laid out by the Charity Commission, including Safeguarding, Trustee Code of Conduct, Trustee Appointments, Trustee Expenses, Data Protection, Equality, Diversity & Inclusion and Risk Management.

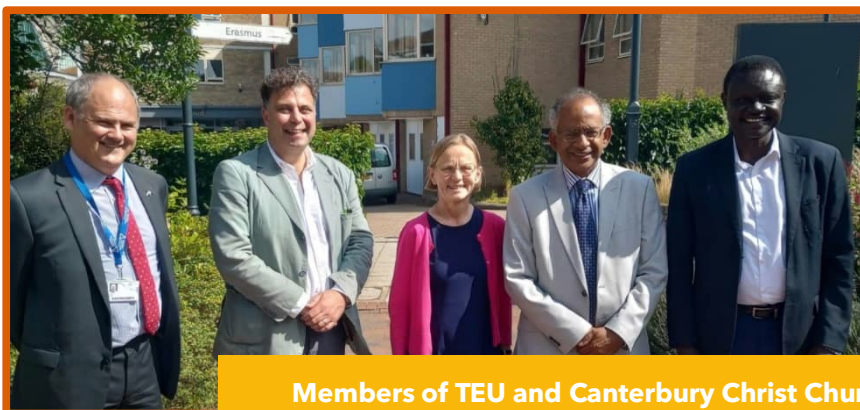
New members also joined the Advisory Group, which in 2023 agreed to hold fewer formal meetings but continue to have regular touchpoints with the ECSSSUP Trustee Board. Individual Advisors continued to step in to provide support and advice aligned to their area of interest and expertise.

Developing new partnerships for TEU

Thanks to contacts from ECSSSUP's Advisors, ECSSSUP brokered two new partnerships for the benefit of TEU, Canterbury Christ Church University and ScholarLeaders.

Members of ECSSSUP and TEU met twice with the Vice Chancellor and other senior leaders at **Canterbury Christ Church University**. Together, we are exploring five key areas of potential mutual benefit to both Canterbury Christ Church University and TEU:

1. Embedding good practice in governance
2. Developing contextually relevant and pedagogically imaginative curriculums
3. Offering development opportunities for teaching staff
4. Developing digital infrastructure for teachers, learners and administrators
5. Exploring shared identities as church-foundation universities in different contexts



Members of TEU and Canterbury Christ Church University

Three productive meetings were also held between ECSSSUP Trustees, TEU senior leadership and **ScholarLeaders Vital Sustainability Initiative**. This led to a mutual Partnership Agreement being signed by both TEU and VSI, which formally committed both parties to work together to enable TEU to define and pursue its mission, and for VSI to provide coaching and mentorship to senior TEU staff as they seek to define and implement their strategic plans. In early 2024, VSI will collate responses to surveys and key information from each college ahead of an in-person visit to start defining TEU's strategic plan and develop leadership capacity.

Following a successful application to the **St Augustine Foundation** in 2022 for funds to develop a strategy to design and implement digital infrastructure for TEU (including its participating colleges) and to develop theological education, ECSSSUP trustees were actively involved in drafting these in collaboration with TEU staff and partners. Given the time pressures on TEU staff and their critical role in developing the strategy to ensure it is fit for the local context, both the digital and pedagogical strategies have been pushed back to 2024.

ECSSSUP is grateful to Canterbury Christ Church University, ScholarLeaders and the St Augustine Foundation for their partnership and are excited to see how these relationships unfold for the benefit of TEU in 2024.

ECSSSUP's role in Fundraising

ECSSSUP continued in its role as a fundraising partner to TEU by maintaining good relationships with a number of existing funders. ECSSSUP attended the Salisbury Diocese Sudans Day, AFRECS Board Meetings, and The Episcopal Church 'Sudan and South Sudan Network Group,' to mention a few. ECSSSUP worked closely with Dr Joseph Bilal (Deputy Vice Chancellor for Administration & Finance) to help him prepare for a fundraising trip to the US, funded and arranged by AFRECS. We also continued developing relationships with senior members of The Relay Trust, who are providing funds for TEU salaries, and worked together to ensure partner reporting and ways of working with TEU are effective and not duplicative. Maintaining a good relationship with the Bristol Breakfast Rotary Club also resulted in them donating funds towards the establishment of TEU's legal committee, a vitally important project which will enable TEU to be more self-sustainable in the future.

ECSSSUP made several applications to grant-making organisations to fund both TEU operational costs and specific projects / needs. Unfortunately, applications to The Jomati Foundation and SCORE (Salisbury Catholic OutReach) were unsuccessful. However the funds from the significant grant made by the Community of St Denys for the construction of the fence for the new campus in Rokon were received by ECSSSUP on behalf of TEU, and all three parties are working together alongside EMI to ensure the funds are invested wisely before being transferred in phases to TEU based on successful delivery of agreed outcomes.

ECSSSUP is very grateful for the ongoing partnership of all these funders, without whom TEU would not be able to have progressed as significantly as they have done so this past year.

Growing the supporter base and donations from individuals and churches

In 2023, ECSSSUP was committed to contributing towards the operational costs of TEU including staff salaries - you can find more in the finance section. Achieving this goal continues to be a major challenge, especially since the final two quarters of 2023 showed a decrease in monthly unrestricted income. Increasing regular giving and making further applications to relevant grant-giving organisations to enable TEU's strategic priorities remains a priority for the charity.

ECSSSUP sent out 7 newsletters to supporters throughout the year. A church in Salisbury Diocese has recommitted to supporting TEU with an annual donation of £5,000. In addition, ECSSSUP receives support from the Salisbury Diocese Sudans link, and has been hugely grateful to receive significant monthly and one-off donations from individuals. These sources of 'general funds' are vital to enable ECSSSUP to meet its commitment to contribute to the running costs of TEU - as part of a longer-term plan towards financial sustainability.

Another successful Annual Meeting was held online in October 2023 with around 25 attendees, including long-term supporters of TEU/ECSSSUP, ECSSSUP's Patron, Caroline Welby, and guest speaker Prof Esther Mombo from St Paul's University, Kenya. It gained positive feedback and remains a good way of stimulating interest and maintaining connections. It is hopeful that it may bring further financial support also.

ECSSSUP's advisory, advocacy and due diligence activities

The trustees of ECSSSUP have continued to advise, support and monitor the progress of the university during 2023, using its trustees, advisors, funders and new partners, who together bring expertise across higher education, fundraising, and strategic development.

Quarterly reports from ECSSSUP are shared with TEU to promote transparency and accountability. ECSSSUP continues to work with TEU's leadership team to build capacity in this area.



The Governing Council at its inaugural meeting in Juba

Structure, Governance and Management

Constitution

The charity was registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) on 5th June 2014. The charity is governed by its Constitution (dated 5 June 2015, amended 25 January 2021) and the only voting members are its charity trustees. There are no restrictions in the governing document on the operation of the charity or on its investment powers, other than those imposed by general law.

Appointment of trustees

Trustees are appointed on the basis of having specialist skills required by the charity or having local interest in universities, especially in Africa. Changes of trustees during the year are noted on page 14.

Prospective trustees are identified through existing networks and expressions of interest. Prospective trustees meet informally with the chair of trustees and, if appropriate, are asked to submit a CV that is made available to all trustees. A quorum of trustees conducts an interview with the individual, following which, a recommendation to appoint or not appoint the individual as a trustee is made at a full meeting of the trustees and a vote is taken. Trustees are appointed if the majority vote is in favour. Up to now, all appointments have been unanimously agreed.

The charity also has a group of Advisors to assist the trustees in providing the expertise necessary to support the work of TEU. There are currently eight Advisors, including our Patron.

Aims of the charity

The aim of the CIO is to advance the education of the public by assisting the Episcopal Churches of South Sudan and Sudan to establish and develop a university in the Anglican Provinces of South Sudan and Sudan by providing professional expertise and support. The university will be a federation of existing colleges that are considered to be able to provide appropriate qualifications for university status.

Due to many years of educational neglect in South Sudan there are very few trained doctors, nurses, engineers, lawyers, teachers, business people and agriculturalists in the new country. As a result, the provision of the university is urgent.

Public benefit

The trustees have complied with their duty of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers or duties.

Financial review

ECSSSUP received a grant of £810,000 from the Community of St. Denys during the year, to build a fence and main entrance gate at the Rokon site. The money was put on deposit whilst preparations were made, resulting in £7,955 bank interest received in the year (2022 £11). The project is being managed in partnership with TEU and EMI, overseen by Dr Eeva John the VC of the university, and chair of ECSSSUP when the grant was secured. ECSSSUP remains committed to ensuring all donations received go directly to TEU despite now being classified as a large charity and is run entirely by volunteers.

The net surplus at the year-end was £793,589 (2022 £79,859). Income of a restricted nature of £810,795 (2022 £5,200) was received during the year. The total reserves at the end of the year stood at £813,631 (2022 £20,042), of which £787,510 (2022 £5,200) was of a restricted nature.

Reserves policy

Reserves stood at £813,631 at 31st December 2023, of which £787,510 was restricted. £783,250 of the restricted fund was for the Rokon Fence project, due to be completed June 2024.

Unrestricted funds are held to meet the commitment to The Episcopal University of a US\$75,000 annual grant, paid in quarterly instalments (US\$18,750 approximately equal to £15,000), for salaries and running costs. The trustees have agreed it would be desirable to have an unrestricted reserve balance that covers a quarterly instalment of £15,000. At the end of 2023 unrestricted reserves were £26,121, with additional funds potentially available for the Rokon project.

Risk Management

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to these. Regarding the finances of the charity, the charity's only material financial instruments are the bank balances which are constantly monitored and reported at trustees' meetings. The trustees also ensure that all donations made are in accordance with the pre-set budgets of the charity. These budgets are also notified to TEU, and the purposes for which the donations are given are also agreed.

In the event of the work in South Sudan having to cease, the trustees will review the situation and act in accordance with the circumstances.

Trustees' responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards including Financial Reporting Standard 102: The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales 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 income and expenditure of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and accounting 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 sufficient 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 Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed/constitution. 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.

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:

Hanna John

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H.R John
Chair of trustees

Wendy Fry

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Wendy E Fry
Treasurer | Trustee

Date: May 31 2024

CHARITY INFORMATION

| | | |
|------------------------------------|---|--|
| Address | 15 Gibson Close Waterbeach Cambridge CB25 9HY | |
| Charity Registration Number | 1157335 | |
| Trustees | Dr Eeva-Maria M John (resigned as Chair 12 June 2023) Ronald G Hart (resigned 13 June 2023) Hanna R John (Appointed Chair 12 June 2023) Suzan Voga-Duffee Wendy E Fry (appointed 22 May 2023) Eileen F Davis (appointed 24 April 2023) Stephen R Dinsmore (appointed 12 April 2023) | |
| Advisory Board | John V Wood Kay Hunter-Johnston Stephen Spencer Alex Simm Nicholas Ramsden Christopher Rider (appointed August 2024) Onyaglanu Idoko (appointed November 2024) | |
| Patron | Caroline Welby | |
| Correspondent | Dr Eeva-Maria M John | |
| Bankers | CAF 25 Kings Hill Avenue Kings Hill West Malling Kent M | Kingdom Bank Media House Padge Road Beeston Nottingham NG9 2RS |
| Independent Examiner | Joshua Kingston BSc., ACA Burton Sweet Limited 5 Farleigh Court Old Weston Road Flax Bourton Bristol BS48 1UR | |

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Episcopal Churches of South Sudan & Sudan University Partnership

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Episcopal Churches of South Sudan & Sudan University Partnership (the Charity) for the year ended 31st December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the Charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

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

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

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

Joshua Kingston

Joshua Kingston, BsC, ACA
Burton Sweet Limited
The Clock Tower
5 Farleigh Court
Old Weston Road
Flax Bourton
Bristol BS48 1UR

Date: May 31 2024

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Year Ended 31 December 2023

| | Note | Unrestricted Funds | Restricted Funds | Total Funds | Total Funds |
|---|-----------|-----------------------|---------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | | 2023 | 2023 | 2023 | 2022 |
| | | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Income from: | | | | | |
| Investments - Bank interest | | 7,955 | - | 7,955 | 11 |
| Donations and grants | 2 | 57,433 | 810,795 | 868,228 | 75,719 |
| Total | | 65,388 | 810,795 | 876,183 | 75,730 |
| Expenditure on: | | | | | |
| Charitable activities | 3 | 54,109 | 28,485 | 82,594 | 155,589 |
| Total | | 54,109 | 28,485 | 82,594 | 155,589 |
| Net income/(expenditure) and net movement in funds | 6 | 11,279 | 782,310 | 793,589 | (79,859) |
| Reconciliation of funds | | | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | 12 | 14,842 | 5,200 | 20,042 | 99,901 |
| Total funds carried forward | 12 | 26,121 | 787,510 | 813,631 | 20,042 |

**The note on pages 19 to 24 form part of these financial statements.
See note 7 for fund accounting comparative figures.**

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2023

| | Note | 2023 £ | 2022 £ |
|--|------|----------------|---------------|
| Current Assets | | | |
| Cash at bank and on deposit | | 812,233 | 23,362 |
| Debtors | 10 | 2,574 | - |
| | | <u>814,807</u> | <u>23,362</u> |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within one year | 11 | (1,176) | (3,320) |
| | | <u>813,631</u> | <u>20,042</u> |
| Net assets | | | |
| The funds of the charity | | | |
| Restricted funds | 12 | 787,510 | 5,200 |
| Unrestricted funds | 12 | 26,121 | 14,842 |
| | | <u>813,631</u> | <u>20,042</u> |
| Total charity funds | | <u>813,631</u> | <u>20,042</u> |

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:

Hanna John

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H.R. John
Chair of trustees

Wendy Fry

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Wendy E Fry
Treasurer | Trustee

Date: May 31 2024
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**The note on pages 19 to 24 form part of these financial statements.
See note 7 for fund accounting comparative figures.**

CASH FLOW STATEMENT

Year Ended 31 December 2023

| | Note | 2023 £ | 2022 £ |
|--|------|----------------|-----------------|
| Cash inflow from operating activities | A | 780,916 | (80,550) |
| Non-operational cash flows: | | | |
| Investing activities | | | |
| Investment income | | 7,955 | 11 |
| Net cash inflow/outflow for the year | B | <u>788,871</u> | <u>(80,539)</u> |

Cashflow Restrictions

Charity law prohibits the use of net cash flows on any endowed or restricted fund to offset net cash outflows on any fund outside its own objects, except on special authority. In practice this restriction has not had any effect on cash flows for the year.

A. Reconciliation of net movement in funds to net cash inflow from operating activities

| | TOTAL 2023 £ | TOTAL 2022 £ |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|
| Statement of Financial Activities : net movement in funds | 793,589 | (79,851) |
| Investment income | (7,955) | (11) |
| (Decrease) in creditors: current liabilities | (2,144) | (680) |
| (Increase) in debtors : current assets | (2,574) | - |
| | <u>780,916</u> | <u>(80,550)</u> |

B. Analysis of cash during the year

| | 2023 £ | 2022 £ | Change £ |
|-----------------------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Cash at bank and on deposit | <u>812,233</u> | <u>23,362</u> | <u>788,871</u> |
| | 2022 £ | 2021 £ | Change £ |
| Cash at bank and in hand | <u>23,362</u> | <u>103,901</u> | <u>(80,539)</u> |

The note on pages 19 to 24 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended 31 December 2023

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2019.

The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

Income

Income from donations is included in income when these are receivable, except as follows:

- i. When donors specify that donations given to the charity must be used in future accounting periods, the income is deferred until those periods;
- ii. When donors impose conditions which have to be fulfilled before the charity becomes entitled to use such income, the income is deferred until the pre-conditions have been met.

Investment income is included on a receivable basis.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised in the period in which it is incurred. Expenditure includes attributable VAT which cannot be recovered.

Raising funds

Raising funds expenditure include those costs incurred in seeking voluntary contributions, costs of goods sold and other costs which include the costs of running and participating in fundraising events and collections and cost of goods purchased for resale.

Charitable Activities

Grants awarded are allocated to charitable activities.

Grants awarded are treated as expenditure and a liability in the accounts as soon as they become legal or constructive obligations. In the case of multi-year grant awards, the funding for all years is immediately recognised unless there are conditions which need to be met by the recipient to enable the release of subsequent years' funding.

Governance costs

Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include the audit fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity. Governance costs are included within support costs.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1. Accounting Policies (continued)

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid after taking account of any discounts due.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

Creditors

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any discounts due.

Funds

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Designated funds form part of unrestricted funds and have been identified as being for particular purposes by the Trustees. They are not restricted and can be transferred to general funds at any time at the discretion of the Trustees.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in notes of the financial statements.

2. Income from: Donations and grants

| | Unrestricted Funds £ | Restricted Funds £ | Total funds 2023 £ | Total funds 2022 £ |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Donations from: | | | | |
| Individuals | 36,087 | - | 36,087 | 53,801 |
| Churches | 12,453 | - | 12,453 | 7,700 |
| Trusts | 1,220 | - | 1,220 | 5,610 |
| Grants | - | 810,795 | 810,795 | 5,200 |
| Gift aid recovered | 7,673 | - | 7,673 | 3,408 |
| | 57,433 | 810,795 | 868,228 | 75,719 |

Income from donations and grants in the prior year was unrestricted, except for a £5,200 grant.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended 31 December 2023

2. Income from: Donations and grants (continued)

ECSSSUP has not received any funds from government contracts.

ECSSSUP received £2,453 from outside the UK.

3. Expenditure on: Charitable Activities

| | Unrestricted Funds | Restricted Funds | Total funds 2023 | Total funds 2022 |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Grants made (note 4) | 51,884 | 26,675 | 78,559 | 152,738 |
| Travel and subsistence | 525 | 1,735 | 2,260 | 1,200 |
| Printing | 263 | - | 263 | - |
| Bank and other charges | 141 | 75 | 216 | 331 |
| Governance costs (note 5) | 1,296 | - | 1,296 | 1,320 |
| | <u>54,109</u> | <u>28,485</u> | <u>82,594</u> | <u>155,589</u> |

Expenditure on charitable activities in the prior year was unrestricted.

ECSSSUP did not transfer money other than by using the regulated banking system.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries in South Sudan. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

ECSSSUP works closely with its beneficiary organisation in South Sudan, The Episcopal University. ECSSSUP trustees are satisfied that our risk management policy and procedures adequately cover the activities for which funds are transferred. Trustees make regular visits to South Sudan and ECSSSUP has written agreements with The Episcopal University, especially for the expenditure of restricted funds from grants.

4. Analysis of grants

The total grants awarded to institutions during the year was as follows:

| | Unrestricted Funds | Restricted Funds | Total funds 2023 | Total funds 2022 |
|--|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| The Episcopal University (South Sudan) | 51,884 | 24,907 | 76,791 | 143,535 |
| Engineering Ministries International | - | 1,768 | 1,768 | 9,203 |
| | <u>51,884</u> | <u>26,675</u> | <u>78,559</u> | <u>152,738</u> |

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5. Governance costs

| | 2023 | 2022 |
|----------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Independent examiner's fee | 1,176 | 1,320 |
| QuickBooks consultant | 120 | - |
| | <u>1,296</u> | <u>1,320</u> |

6. Net income / (expenditure) for the year

Is stated after charging:

| | 2023 | 2022 |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Independent examiners fee | <u>1,176</u> | <u>1,320</u> |

No Trustees have been reimbursed for their out of pocket travel expenses (2022: £nil). No Trustee received any remuneration during the year

7. Statement of Financial Activities comparative figures

| | Unrestricted Funds £ | Restricted Funds £ | Total funds 2022 £ |
|--|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Income from: | | | |
| Investments - bank interest | 11 | - | 11 |
| Donations and grants | 70,519 | 5,200 | 75,719 |
| Total | <u>70,530</u> | <u>5,200</u> | <u>75,730</u> |
| Expenditure on: | | | |
| Charitable activities | 155,589 | - | 155,589 |
| Total | <u>155,589</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>155,589</u> |
| Net income/ (expenditure) and net movement in funds | (85,059) | 5,200 | (79,859) |
| Reconciliation of funds | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | 99,901 | - | 99,901 |
| Total funds carried forward | <u>14,842</u> | <u>5,200</u> | <u>20,042</u> |

8. Employees

The charity has no employees.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended 31 December 2023

9. Taxation

The CIO is a registered charity and is, therefore, exempt from corporation tax.

10. Debtors

| | Total 2023 £ | Total 2022 £ |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Gift aid recoverable | 2,574 | - |
| | <hr/> 2,574 | <hr/> - |

11. Creditors

| | Total 2023 £ | Total 2022 £ |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Accruals | 1,176 | 1,320 |
| Grant commitments | - | 2,000 |
| | <hr/> 1,176 | <hr/> 3,320 |

12. Movement in funds

| | At 1 Jan 2023 £ | Income £ | Expenditure £ | At 31 Dec 2023 £ |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Restricted funds | | | | |
| St Augustine Foundation | 5,200 | - | 1,735 | 3,465 |
| Community of St. Denys | - | 810,000 | 26,750 | 783,250 |
| Other | - | 795 | - | 795 |
| | <hr/> 5,200 | <hr/> 810,795 | <hr/> 28,485 | <hr/> 787,510 |
| Unrestricted funds | | | | |
| General funds | 14,842 | 65,388 | 54,109 | 26,121 |
| | <hr/> 20,042 | <hr/> 876,183 | <hr/> 82,594 | <hr/> 813,631 |

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended 31 December 2023

12. Movement in funds (continued)

| | At 1 Jan 2022 | Income | Expenditure | At 31 Dec 2022 |
|---------------------------|------------------|--------|-------------|-------------------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Restricted funds | | | | |
| St Augustine Foundation | - | 5,200 | - | 5,200 |
| | - | 5,200 | - | 5,200 |
| Unrestricted funds | | | | |
| General funds | 99,901 | 70,530 | (155,589) | 14,842 |
| | 99,901 | 70,530 | (155,589) | 14,842 |
| Total funds | 99,901 | 75,730 | (155,589) | 20,042 |

St Augustine Foundation

This fund represents a donation from St Augustine Foundation specifically for theological training at The Episcopal University.

Community of St. Denys

This fund represents a grant from the Community of St. Denys for the construction of a fence for the new university site at Rokon.

Other

This includes a donation for a scholarship and a donation for the legal office.

13. Related Party Transactions

There are no related party transactions.



Episcopal Churches of South Sudan and Sudan University Partnership

England & Wales - Charity number 1157335

Accounts



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Educating leaders for a peaceful and prosperous future



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INTRODUCTION

WELCOME to the Annual Report from the Episcopal Churches of South Sudan University Partnership (ECSSSUP)!

ECSSSUP was formed in 2011 and became a registered charity in 2014. The focus of our efforts over the last 10 years has been to work alongside our South Sudanese colleagues to establish and develop The Episcopal University in South Sudan (TEU).

2022 has been a momentous year. After over 6 years of tireless and patient efforts on the part of our South Sudanese colleagues, the university was registered by the Ministry of Higher Education of South Sudan as a fully fledged Private University. This is a major milestone!

TEU now offers a BA in Law and a Diploma in Theology. As the university continues to develop, students will be able to study many other subjects – as well as working towards a BA in Theology. The university was formally inaugurated on the 13th November 2022 at its Juba campus – with much jubilation. Read more below!



The Chancellor, Vice Chancellor, senior staff, members of the Governing Council and bishops gathered for a photo at the inauguration. The recently refurbished Juba Campus Chapel can be seen in the background.

As part of the ceremony ECSSSUP – on behalf of the Archbishop of Canterbury – presented TEU with a Certificate of Membership of the Colleges and Universities of the Anglican Communion (CUAC). This is a worldwide network of accredited Anglican higher education institutions.

ECSSSUP has been instrumental in assisting TEU with governance documentation, recruitment of senior staff and in seeking funding – both for operational costs (especially staff salaries) as well as for the development of the existing Juba site and the recently acquired Rokon site, 50 miles west of Juba.

Another major milestone has been TEU's partnership with Engineering Ministries International. The partnership came into being through a contact with one of ECSSSUP's volunteers. The work of EMI in providing engineering and architectural expertise to TEU for conceiving and developing the two sites means that TEU and ECSSSUP now have strong foundations upon which to build applications for major funding to bring the visions for these two campuses into reality.



The EMI Team consisting of engineers and architects from Egypt and USA working alongside TEU architect and engineer Mawa Moses on the Rokon site.

ECSSSUP also forged a partnership with St Augustine's Foundation to create a strategy for developing theological education in the university as well as designing and implementing a digital infrastructure that will not only connect the participating colleges to one another, but will give students access to e-library facilities and online teaching and learning. This is a project that will benefit the first tranche of Colleges that make up TEU outside Rokon and Juba: Kajo Keji Christian College, Chaima Christian Institute in Maridi, St John's College Wau, and Renk Theological College.

There is much more to say – about the challenges that continuing instability and economic decline place on the university and about the increasingly pressing need for young people to be able to access quality, value-led higher education. But for now, we begin this report by thanking all of you who have expressed interest in and commitment to this work: without you, none of this is possible! Above all, we give thanks for the tenacity and commitment of TEU staff and members of the Governing Council who persevere in keeping the vision alive and moving it forward.

MAIN ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS - TEU

The trustees of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan and Sudan University Partnership (ECSSSUP) have achieved their objectives during this period by continuing to use their expertise to provide The Episcopal University (TEU) team in South Sudan with appropriate advice as the team continued to progress the setting up of the university.

Development of The Episcopal University campuses in Rokon and Juba

In 2019, TEU secured a significant amount of land from the community in Rokon, South Sudan, to develop the administrative centre of the university. In April 2021, topographical and geophysical surveys were carried out by local firm TEFCO, selected through a competitive RFP process and funded by ECSSSUP. They assessed the land in preparation for further building work, including identifying likely water sources. In July, they began digging two boreholes with a view to providing solar-powered water supply. Water was not located at these points. Further drilling has taken place since the rainy season, and water was found in early 2022.

Additionally, TEU signed a partnership agreement with Engineering Ministries International (EMI), an international Christian engineering consultancy. EMI is a Christian non-profit made up of architects, engineers, surveyors, and construction managers. Founded in 1982, its worldwide mission is to develop people, design structures, and construct facilities which serve communities and the Church—facilities like hospitals, schools, water systems, and more.

In 2022, EMI made two visits to TEU. In March 2022, a team of six from the USA, Canada and Egypt spent 12 days in Juba and Rokon. The focus of this visit was to develop the Rokon site in line with TEU's assessment of the likely number of faculties, students and staff that the Rokon site will accommodate. The team consisted of engineers, architects and an administrator – and worked closely with TEU staff and a South Sudanese architect. In addition to a baseline fee, TEU provided the cost of travel for two members of the team – others paid their own way – as well as for all costs related to their stay in South Sudan. The scope of the team's work included:

- producing an architecture masterplan and conceptual building designs;
- implementing full civil engineering surveys and assessment of the Rokon site in relation to geophysical aspects, water distribution, drainage and transportation;
- determining electrical needs and generators, including a solar system;
- providing a costed and phased management plan for the work;
- creating a visualisation video of the completed site.

The second visit involved an EMI team of 8 architects and engineers from USA, Egypt and Lebanon working alongside a South Sudanese architect. The visit took place between 30th October and 9th November 2022. Its focus was to redevelop the Juba site of The Episcopal University. This is the site that the university currently occupies for its Bishop Gwynne School of Theology and the School of Law, as well as student accommodation and administrative offices. The work involved:

- completing a topographic survey of the campus property's approximate boundaries as determined by the surrounding fence line;
- developing programming for TEU Juba to inform the masterplan and conceptual designs;
- providing a phased masterplan of the campus;
- providing conceptual building designs for the first phase of construction;
- providing infrastructure planning for the site, including water, wastewater, drainage, and electrical systems.

Drawings of proposed designs and plan for the Juba Campus educational buildings..



The EMI Team, together with the TEU Director of Operations and TEU Architect and Engineer on the Juba site.

The establishment of a partnership with EMI and the costs of accommodating the teams were largely – but not totally – met through the remainder of the large unrestricted grant received in 2020. The funding gap was met by ECSSSUP, resulting in a substantial deficit for the year (see Financial Review).

Formal merger of Bishop Gwynne College and the School of Law into The Episcopal University

From 1st March 2022, Bishop Gwynne College ceased to exist and became the Bishop Gwynne School of Theology of The Episcopal University. In addition, the School of Law, which is in the process of being formed, became the second faculty of TEU, operating in the Juba campus.

This merger involved the formation of a new Governing Council, under the chairmanship of the Chancellor, the Most Revd Justin Badi Arama, Archbishop of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan, as well as interviewing faculty and administrative staff. The members of the Governing Council can be found on the ECSSSUP website.

Revd Dr Peter Ensor was appointed Vice Chancellor, Revd Dr Joseph Bilal Deputy was appointed Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration, and Revd Dr James Aruma Ilarious was appointed Deputy Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs.

Within the new governance arrangements, an Executive Committee has been formed, the membership of which includes Dr Eeva John, Revd Dr Joseph Bilal and the Finance Manager, Vicky Alur.

Dr Eeva John, Chair of ECSSSUP chaired the interview panel for these and other appointments in March 2022.

Registration of TEU as a Private University

A vital goal for The Episcopal University has been for the university to be identified and registered as a Private University so that all its programmes of study are fully accredited and recognised both nationally and internationally. There has been ongoing work since 2015 with the Ministry of Higher Education of South Sudan to achieve this. The Government of South Sudan specifies a number of requirements, including teaching staff with certified postgraduate qualifications, a minimum staff to student ratio, appropriate teaching and learning facilities, and a campus that meets particular area requirements.

In November 2022, the Ministry of Higher Education was satisfied that TEU met the requirements to offer BA degrees in Law and Diplomas in Theology. The Episcopal University was formally inaugurated, therefore on 13th November 2022 at its Juba campus – now known as the Bishop Gwynne Juba Campus of the university.

At the inauguration the new Governing Council, Committees and Senate were commissioned, and the Revd Dr Peter Ensor was installed as Vice Chancellor. A copy of the ceremony video is on <https://fb.watch/gMLPnOnLIY/>.



The Vice Chancellor, Revd Dr Peter Ensor, leads the procession at the inauguration.

The Chancellor of TEU – the Primate and Archbishop of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan, the Most Revd Justin Badi Arama – led the service of thanksgiving and blessing, including blessing the flags of TEU, the Episcopal Province of South Sudan, the national flag and the flag of the worldwide Anglican Communion all of which were ceremonially raised. The Chancellor was also presented with a Certificate of membership of The Episcopal University of the Colleges and Universities of the Anglican Communion, signed by the Archbishop of Canterbury.



Dr Eeva John, Chair of ECSSSUP, presents the Chancellor, The Most Revd Justin Badi Arama with the Certificate of Membership of the Colleges and Universities of the Anglican Communion.

The occasion had a large audience, including all the bishops of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan, students and alumni of Bishop Gwynne College. Speeches were given by the Vice Chancellor of the University of Juba, a representative of the university's international partnerships from the UK, the Minister of Finance from Central Equatoria Province, the Director General for Private and Foreign Universities, as well as from the new Vice Chancellor and the Chancellor.



The Most Revd Justin Badi Arama and the Chancellor of the University of Juba, Dr John Akec.

The inauguration of TEU was a great encouragement to staff and students. However, difficulties remain with regard to meeting the costs of staff salaries. This is a major concern that continues to be shared by ECSSSUP as, in the long term, it will impact on recruitment and retention of highly qualified and committed staff.

The future trajectory of the University will involve formally affiliating and accrediting the other Colleges and their faculties to the University. This includes St John's College, Wau, Kajo Keji Christian College, Chaima Christian Institute in Maridi, and Renk Theological College.

MAIN ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS - ECSSSUP

ECSSSUP Trustee Visit to South Sudan

As mentioned above, the chair of trustees, Eeva John, visited TEU in March 2022 in order to participate in the recruitment and selection of senior staff for the newly merged TEU: Bishop Gwynne College became the Bishop Gwynne School of Theology within The Episcopal University, alongside the School of Law.

She also visited in November 2022 in order to represent ECSSSUP at the official inauguration of TEU as a fully registered private university in South Sudan.

ECSSSUP Finance and fundraising

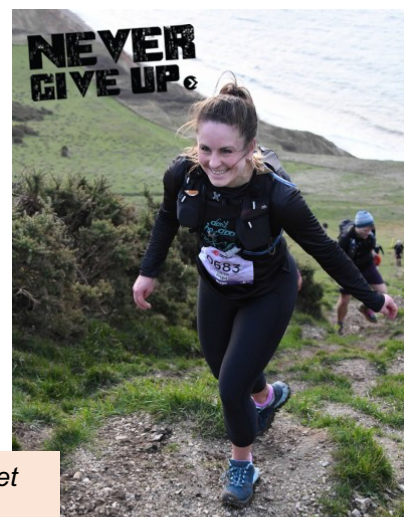
ECSSSUP made several applications to grant-making organisations to fund both TEU operational costs and specific projects / needs. This includes an application to construct a perimeter fence for the Rokon site. The application for \$960,000 was made to the Community of St Denys Fund and in early 2023 we were informed that the application was successful!

An application to the St Augustine Foundation for £5,200 to develop a strategy to design and implement a digital infrastructure for TEU – including participating colleges – as well as to develop theological education was successful and ECSSSUP trustees and others are actively involved in assisting with developing the strategy.

ECSSSUP is committed to contributing \$75,000 annually towards the salaries of TEU staff. ECSSSUP was only able to meet this commitment by using some of the large grant received in 2020. Achieving this goal in future years continues to be a major challenge. Increasing regular giving and making further applications to relevant grant-giving organisations to enable TEU's strategic priorities remains a priority for the charity.

Increasing the ECSSSUP supporter base and donations from individuals and churches

ECSSSUP sent out 8 newsletters to supporters. Two trustees and a volunteer ran an ultramarathon and a half-marathon, raising over £6,000. A church in Salisbury Diocese has recommitted to supporting TEU with an annual donation of £5,000. Salisbury Diocese. In addition, ECSSSUP receives support from the Salisbury Diocese Sudans link, and has been hugely grateful to receive significant monthly and one-off donations from individuals. These sources of 'general funds' are vital to enable ECSSSUP to meet its commitment to contribute to the running costs of TEU – as part of a longer term plan towards financial sustainability.



ECSSSUP Trustee, Hanna John, running an ultra-marathon on the Dorset Jurassic Coast to raise funds for ECSSSUP.

Another successful Annual Meeting was held online in September 2022. This has been a good way of stimulating interest and gaining some further financial support.

ECSSSUP's advisory, advocacy and due diligence activities

The trustees of ECSSSUP have continued to advise, support and monitor the progress of the university during 2022, using its trustees, advisory board and new relationships with experts in fundraising and higher education.

The Advisory Board met twice during 2022. A partnership with Canterbury Christ Church University is being explored with its Vice Chancellor as a result of one of the Advisor's efforts.

Structure, Governance and Management

Constitution

The charity was registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) on 5th June 2014. The charity is governed by its Constitution (dated 5 June 2015, amended 25 January 2021) and the only voting members are its charity trustees. There are no restrictions in the governing document on the operation of the charity or on its investment powers, other than those imposed by general law.

Appointment of trustees

Trustees are appointed on the basis of having specialist skills required by the charity or having local interest in universities, especially in Africa. Changes of trustees during the year are noted on page 13.

Prospective trustees are identified through existing networks and expressions of interest. Prospective trustees meet informally with the chair of trustees and, if appropriate, are asked to submit a CV that is made available to all trustees. A quorum of trustees conducts an interview with the individual, following which, a recommendation to appoint or not appoint the individual as a trustee is made at a full meeting of the trustees and a vote is taken. Trustees are appointed if the majority vote in favour. Up to now, all appointments have been unanimously agreed.

The charity also has an advisory board to assist the trustees in providing the expertise necessary to support the work of TEU. This Board currently has seven members, including our patron.

Aims of the charity

The aim of the CIO is to advance the education of the public by assisting the Episcopal Churches of South Sudan and Sudan to establish and develop a university in the Anglican Provinces of South Sudan and Sudan by providing professional expertise and support. The university will be a federation of existing colleges that are considered to be able to provide appropriate qualifications for university status.

Due to many years of educational neglect in South Sudan there are very few trained doctors, nurses, engineers, lawyers, teachers, business people and agriculturalists in the new country. As a result, the provision of the university is urgent.

Public benefit

The trustees have complied with their duty in section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers or duties.

Financial review

The Statement of Financial Activities shows a net deficit for the year of a revenue nature of £80,859 (2021 a deficit of £114,606). Income of a restricted nature of £5,200 was received during the year. The total reserves at the end of the year stood at £19,362 (2021 £99,901), of which £5,200 (£2 in 2021) was of a restricted nature.

Reserves policy

The trustees are committed to making an annual grant of US\$75,000 in quarterly instalments to its beneficiary organisation, The Episcopal University, for salaries and running costs. In establishing a reserves policy the trustees have agreed that it would be desirable to have an unrestricted balance that covers one quarterly instalment (US\$ 18,750, approximately equal to £ 15,000). In addition, the trustees would like to have sufficient funds (approximately £ 1,200) to enable the current Deputy Vice Chancellor to return to his home in the UK should that be necessary. The total target level of reserves is therefore £ 16,200.

During the financial year 2022, the charity struggled to raise enough funds both to cover its commitment to The Episcopal University and to maintain the target level of reserves. The unrestricted funds at the end of the financial year 2022 were £ 14,842, which fell short of the desired £ 16,200. The charity will continue to seek building up its unrestricted reserves in order to be able to enact its reserves policy in future years. It will do this primarily by increasing the number and contributions of individuals and churches.

Risk management

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to these. In particular, with regard to the finances of the charity, the charity's only material financial instruments are the bank balances which are constantly monitored and reported at trustees' meetings. The trustees also ensure that all donations made are in accordance with the pre-set budgets of the charity. These budgets are also notified to TEU, and the purposes for which the donations are given are also agreed.

In the event of the work in South Sudan having to cease, the trustees will review the situation and repay any remaining donations held to the donors.

Trustees' responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards including Financial Reporting Standard 102: The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales 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 income and expenditure of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and accounting 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 business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping sufficient 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 Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed/constitution. 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.

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:



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Dr E-M.M. John
Assistant Treasurer



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Wendy E Fry
Treasurer | Trustee

28 September 2023

Date:

CHARITY INFORMATION

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| Address | 15 Gibson Close Waterbeach Cambridge CB25 9HY |
| Charity Registration Number | 1157335 |
| Trustees | Eeva-Maria M John (resigned 13 June 2023) Martin C Horton FCA (resigned 1 January 2022) Ronald G Hart Hanna R John Suzan Voga-Duffee Wendy E Fry (appointed 22 May 2023) Eileen F Davis (appointed 24 April 2023) Stephen R Dinsmore (appointed 12 April 2023) |
| Advisory Board | John V Wood Anne C Tutt (resigned 15 May 2023) Kay Hunter-Johnston Stephen Spencer Alex Simm Nicholas Ramsden |
| Patron | Caroline Welby |
| Correspondent | Dr Eeva-Maria M John |
| Bankers | CAF 25 Kings Hill Avenue Kings Hill West Malling Kent ME19 4JQ |
| Independent Examiner | Josh Kingston BSc., ACA Burton Sweet Limited 5 Farleigh Court Old Weston Road Flax Bourton Bristol BS48 1UR |

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Episcopal Churches of South Sudan and Sudan University Partnership.

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Episcopal Churches of South Sudan and Sudan University Partnership (the Charity) for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

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

Josh Kingston, BsC, ACA
Burton Sweet Chartered Accountants
The Clock Tower
5 Farleigh Court
Old Weston Road
Flax Bourton
Bristol BS48 1UR

Date:

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Year Ended 31 December 2022

| | Note | Unrestricted Funds | Restricted Funds | Total Funds | Total Funds |
|---|-----------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| | | 2022 | 2022 | 2022 | 2021 |
| | | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Income from: | | | | | |
| Investments – Bank interest | | 11 | - | 11 | - |
| Donations and grants | 2 | 70,519 | 5,200 | 75,719 | 53,986 |
| Total | | 70,530 | 5,200 | 75,730 | 53,986 |
| Expenditure on: | | | | | |
| Charitable activities | 3 | 155,589 | - | 155,589 | 168,592 |
| Total | | 155,589 | - | 155,589 | 166,592 |
| Net income/(expenditure) and net movement in funds | 5 | (85,059) | 5,200 | (79,859) | (114,606) |
| Reconciliation of funds | | | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | 14 | 99,901 | - | 99,901 | 214,507 |
| Total funds carried forward | 14 | 14,842 | 5,200 | 20,042 | 99,901 |

The note on pages 17 to 22 form part of these financial statements.
See note 6 for fund accounting comparative figures.

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2022

| | Note | 2022 £ | 2021 £ |
|--|------|---------------|----------------|
| Current Assets | | | |
| Cash at bank and in hand | | 23,362 | 87,378 |
| Debtors | | - | 16,523 |
| | | <u>23,362</u> | <u>103,901</u> |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within one year | | (3,320) | (4,000) |
| | | <u>20,042</u> | <u>99,901</u> |
| Net assets | | | |
| The funds of the charity | | | |
| Restricted funds | | 5,200 | - |
| Unrestricted funds | | 14,842 | 99,901 |
| | | <u>20,042</u> | <u>99,901</u> |
| Total charity funds | | | |

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:



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Dr E-M.M. John
Assistant Treasurer



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Wendy E Fry
Treasurer | Trustee

28 September 2023

Date:

The note on pages 17 to 22 form part of these financial statements.
See note 6 for fund accounting comparative figures.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended 31 December 2022

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2019.

The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

Income

Income from donations is included in income when these are receivable, except as follows:

- i. When donors specify that donations given to the charity must be used in future accounting periods, the income is deferred until those periods;
- ii. When donors impose conditions which have to be fulfilled before the charity becomes entitled to use such income, the income is deferred until the pre-conditions have been met.

Investment income is included on a receivable basis.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised in the period in which it is incurred. Expenditure includes attributable VAT which cannot be recovered.

Raising funds

Raising funds expenditure include those costs incurred in seeking voluntary contributions, costs of goods sold and other costs which include the costs of running and participating in fundraising events and collections and cost of goods purchased for resale.

Charitable Activities

Grants awarded are allocated to charitable activities.

Grants awarded are treated as expenditure and a liability in the accounts as soon as they become legal or constructive obligations. In the case of multi-year grant awards, the funding for all years is immediately recognised unless there are conditions which need to be met by the recipient to enable the release of subsequent years' funding.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended 31 December 2022

1. Accounting Policies (continued)

Governance costs

Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include the audit fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity. Governance costs are included within support costs.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid after taking account of any discounts due.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

Creditors

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any discounts due.

Funds

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Designated funds form part of unrestricted funds and have been identified as being for particular purposes by the Trustees. They are not restricted and can be transferred to general funds at any time at the discretion of the Trustees.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in notes of the financial statements.

2. Income from: Donations and grants

| | Unrestricted Funds £ | Restricted Funds £ | Total funds 2022 £ | Total funds 2021 £ |
|--------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Donations from: | | | | |
| Individuals | 53,801 | - | 53,801 | 41,361 |
| Churches | 7,700 | - | 7,700 | 6,000 |
| Trusts | 5,610 | - | 5,610 | 960 |
| Grants | - | 5,200 | 5,200 | - |
| Gift aid recovered | 3,408 | - | 3,408 | 5,665 |
| | 70,519 | 5,200 | 75,719 | 53,986 |

All income from donations and grants in the prior year was unrestricted.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended 31 December 2022

2. Income from: Donations and grants (continued)

ECSSSUP has not received any funds from government contracts.

ECSSSUP has not received funds from outside the UK.

3. Expenditure on: Charitable Activities

| | Unrestricted Funds £ | Restricted Funds £ | Total funds 2022 £ | Total funds 2021 £ |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Grants made (note 4) | 152,738 | - | 152,738 | 168,252 |
| Travel and subsistence | 1,200 | - | 1,200 | - |
| Bank and other charges | 331 | - | 331 | 340 |
| Governance costs (note 5) | 1,320 | - | 1,320 | - |
| | 155,589 | - | 155,589 | 168,592 |

Expenditure on charitable activities in the prior year was unrestricted.

ECSSSUP did not transfer money other than by using the regulated banking system.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries in South Sudan. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

ECSSSUP works closely with its beneficiary organisation in South Sudan, the Episcopal University. ECSSSUP trustees are satisfied that our risk management policy and procedures adequately cover the activities for which funds are transferred. Trustees make regular visits to South Sudan and ECSSSUP has written agreements with The Episcopal University, especially for the expenditure of restricted funds from grants.

4. Analysis of grants

The total grants awarded to institutions during the year was as follows:

| | Total 2022 £ | Total 2021 £ |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|
| The Episcopal University (South Sudan) | 143,535 | 166,051 |
| Engineering Ministries International | 9,203 | 2,201 |
| | 152,738 | 168,252 |

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended 31 December 2022

5. Net income/ (expenditure) for the year

| | Total 2022 £ | Total 2021 £ |
|----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Independent examiner's fee | 1,320 | - |
| Trustees' remuneration | - | - |
| Trustees' expenses | - | - |

6. Statement of Financial Activities comparative figures

| | Unrestricted Funds £ | Restricted Funds £ | Total funds 2021 £ |
|--|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Income from: | | | |
| Donations and grants | 53,986 | - | 53,986 |
| Total | <u>53,986</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>53,986</u> |
| Expenditure on: | | | |
| Charitable activities | 168,592 | - | 168,592 |
| Total | <u>168,592</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>168,592</u> |
| Net income/ (expenditure) and net movement in funds | (114,606) | - | (114,606) |
| Reconciliation of funds | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | 214,507 | - | 214,507 |
| Total funds carried forward | <u>99,901</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>99,901</u> |

7. Serious incidents

There have been no serious incidents during 2022.

8. Fundraising

ECSSSUP raises funds through individual supporters and churches, and by applying for grants from trusts.

ECSSSUP has not worked with any professional fundraisers.

9. Employees

The charity has no employees.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended 31 December 2022

10. Volunteers

ECSSSUP has benefited from contributions to publicity and newsletters from one volunteer in the UK.

11. Taxation

The CIO is a registered charity and is, therefore, exempt from corporation tax.

12. Debtors

| | Total 2022 £ | Total 2021 £ |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Prepayments and accrued income | - | 16,523 |
| | - | 16,523 |

13. Creditors

| | Total 2022 £ | Total 2021 £ |
|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Accruals | 1,320 | - |
| Grant commitments | 2,000 | 4,000 |
| | 3,320 | 4,000 |

14. Movement in funds

| | At 1 Jan 2021 £ | Income £ | Expenditure £ | At 31 Dec 2022 £ |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|------------------|------------------------|
| Restricted funds | | | | |
| St Augustine Foundation | - | 5,200 | - | 5,200 |
| | - | 5,200 | - | 5,200 |
| Unrestricted funds | | | | |
| General funds | 99,901 | 70,530 | (155,589) | 14,842 |
| | 99,901 | 70,530 | (155,589) | 14,842 |
| Total funds | 99,901 | 75,530 | (155,589) | 20,042 |

St Augustine Foundation

This fund represents a donation from St Augustine Foundation specifically for theological training at The Episcopal University.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended 31 December 2022

15. Related Party Transactions

There are no related party transactions.

16. Post Balance Sheet Events

There have not been any significant events since the balance sheet date.

Episcopal Churches of South Sudan and Sudan University Partnership

England & Wales - Charity number 1157335

Accounts

EPISCOPAL CHURCHES OF SOUTH SUDAN AND SUDAN UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIP
ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR FROM 1ST JANUARY TO 31ST DECEMBER 2021

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TRUST INFORMATION

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| Address | 15 Gibson Close Waterbeach Cambridge CB25 9HY |
| Charity Registration Number | 1157335 |
| Trustees | Eeva-Maria M John Martin C Horton FCA Ronald G Hart Hanna R John Kay Hunter-Johnson (appointed 18 March 2021, resigned 2 September 2021) Susan Voga-Duffee (appointed 10 December 2021) |
| Advisory Board | John V Wood Anne C Tutt Kay Hunter-Johnston Stephen Spencer Alex Simm Nicholas Ramsden |
| Patron | Caroline Welby |
| Correspondent | Dr Eeva-Maria M John |
| Bankers | CAF, West Malling, Kent 25 Kings Hill Avenue Kings Hill West Malling Kent ME19 4JQ |
| Independent Examiner | David Spottiswoode, FCA 19 Reedley Road Westbury-on-Trym Bristol BS9 3SR |

**EPISCOPAL CHURCHES OF SOUTH SUDAN AND SUDAN UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIP
TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR FROM 1ST JANUARY TO 31ST DECEMBER 2021**

CONSTITUTION

The charity was registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) on 5th June 2014. The charity is governed by its Constitution and the only voting members are its charity trustees. There are no restrictions in the governing document on the operation of the charity or on its investment powers, other than those imposed by general law.

AIMS OF THE CHARITY

The aim of the CIO is to advance the education of the public by assisting the Episcopal Churches of South Sudan and Sudan to establish and develop a university in the Anglican Provinces of South Sudan and Sudan by providing professional expertise and support. The university will be a federation of existing colleges that are considered to be able to provide appropriate qualifications for university status.

Due to many years of educational neglect in South Sudan there are very few trained doctors, nurses, engineers, lawyers, teachers, business people and agriculturalists in the new country. As a result, the provision of the university is urgent.

MAIN ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

The trustees of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan and Sudan University Partnership (ECSSSUP) have achieved their objectives during this period by continuing to use their expertise to provide The Episcopal University (TEU) team in South Sudan with appropriate advice as the team continued to progress the setting up of the university.

Despite being a challenging year due to the ongoing impact of Covid-19 and security concerns in Juba, positive progress has been made.

Development of TEU campus in Rokon

In 2019, TEU secured a significant amount of land from the community in Rokon, South Sudan, to develop the administrative centre of the university. In April 2021, topographical and geophysical surveys were carried out by local firm TEFCO, selected through a competitive RFP process and funded by ECSSSUP. They assessed the land in preparation for further building work, including identifying likely water sources. In July, they began digging two boreholes with a view to providing solar-powered water supply. Water was not located at these points. Further drilling has taken place since the rainy season, and water was found in early 2022.

Additionally, TEU signed a partnership agreement with Engineering Ministries International (EMI), a Christian engineering consultancy specialising in engineering and architectural work in developing countries. Following meetings with the EMI team in Uganda, it has been agreed that they will survey the land and develop a master-plan for the development of the university site, including visualisations, in January / February 2022.

Two vehicles were purchased by TEU in 2021, part-funded by ECSSSUP, to enable vital travel for the TEU team to and from Juba to Rokon to supervise and oversee the work there by TEFCO and EMI.

The survey of the Rokon site, the establishment of a partnership with EMI, and the purchase of vehicles was made possible through the large unrestricted grant received in 2020, a significant portion of which was used during 2021. ECSSSUP donated funds during the year to support all the work at Rokon, and this has resulted in a substantial deficit for the year (see Financial Review on page 5)

Registration of TEU as a Private University

There has been ongoing work with the Ministry of Higher Education to acquire full private university status. The Government of South Sudan specifies a number of requirements, including original and authenticated degree certificates of lecturers. A number of these have been sent and approved by the Ministry but the specific criteria they put in place makes this work a continued challenge as many of the existing staff received education outside of South Sudan. All educational staff are required to hold an MA or PhD and staff/student ratios need to be met.

The Vice Chancellor and senior staff of TEU met with the President of South Sudan to discuss the issue of registration further. They were met with good will but no action has yet resulted from this meeting.

TEU operational activity

Due to security concerns in Juba, a number of arrangements and equipment were put in place in TEU offices to ensure the security of staff. TEU also undertook a successful Financial Audit for 2021 by Crustal and Co., Certified Accountants.

Staff morale remains positive despite the continued part-remote working and the ongoing security and political concerns in the country. ECSSSUP trustees remain incredibly grateful for the dedication, perseverance and hard work of the team in Juba.

ECSSSUP Finance and fundraising

ECSSSUP made several applications to grant-making organisations to fund both TEU operational costs and specific projects / needs. This includes a successful application to the Richard Parkin Memorial Fund which provided \$25,000 for the boreholes in Rokon.

During the year, ECSSSUP committed to funding all the salaries of the TEU staff during 2021 and in future years until TEU is able to become self-sufficient, provided sufficient funds are available. This was a considerable commitment, given the level of income, but the charity was able to meet its commitment for 2021. Increasing regular giving and making further applications to relevant grant-giving organisations to enable TEU's strategic priorities remains a priority for the charity.

ECSSSUP Trustee Visit to South Sudan

The chair of trustees, Eeva John, visited TEU in November 2021, advising the Chancellor and senior staff of the University on a restructuring of governance and staff, due to take place in early 2022. This includes the unification of Bishop Gwynne College with TEU, to become the Bishop Gwynne School of Theology on the Juba Campus.

Increasing the ECSSSUP supporter base

ECSSSUP sends out a bimonthly newsletter to a large group of supporters. A volunteer has been recruited to assist with information-gathering for the newsletter.

A new partnership with a church has been established through the efforts of one of the trustees. This has resulted in a commitment to supporting ECSSSUP with an annual donation of £5,000.

Another successful Annual Meeting was held online in September 2021. This has been a good way of stimulating interest and gaining some further financial support.

ECSSSUP's advisory, advocacy and due diligence activities

The trustees of ECSSSUP will continue to advise, support and monitor the progress of the university during 2022, using its trustees, advisory board and new relationships with experts in fundraising and higher education.

The relatively newly formed Advisory Board met twice during 2021. A partnership with Christ Church Canterbury University is being explored with its Vice Chancellor as a result of one of the Advisor's efforts.

RESERVES

The charity's level of reserves will depend on the success of future fundraising but the trustees will ensure that a sufficient running balance will be maintained to cover likely future requirements. In particular, the trustees will ensure that sufficient funds are available to enable TEU salaries to be paid for the following three months from the year-end (currently some £20,000). The reserves will also provide funds for the Deputy Vice Chancellor to return home, if necessary, in an emergency situation.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

The trustees have complied with their duty in section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers or duties.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Statement of Financial Activities shows a net deficit for the year of a revenue nature of £112,606 (2020 a surplus of £194,732). No income of a restricted nature was received during the year. The total reserves at the end of the year stood at £99,901 (2020 £214,507), of which £0 (£0 in 2020) was of a restricted nature. The reason for the decrease has been explained above.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to these. In particular, with regard to the finances of the charity, the charity's only material financial instruments are the bank balances which are constantly monitored and reported at trustees' meetings. The trustees also ensure that all donations made are in accordance with the pre-set budgets of the charity. These budgets are also notified to TEU, and the purposes for which the donations are given are also agreed.

In the event of the work in South Sudan having to cease, the trustees will review the situation and repay any remaining donations held to the donors.

APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEES

Trustees are appointed on the basis of having specialist skills required by the charity or having local interest in universities, especially in Africa. Changes of trustees during the year are noted on page 2.

The charity also has an advisory board to assist the trustees in providing the expertise necessary to support the work of TEU. This Board currently has seven members, including our patron.

GOVERNANCE

The trustees assisted by providing specimen instruments of governance, which were discussed, adapted and formally accepted at a conference in Juba at which all participating colleges were represented, prior to the launch in April 2019 . At the launch of the University, the Project team was replaced by a formally appointed Project Board, and Rev Dr. Joseph Bilal was appointed as Deputy Vice-Chancellor.

As regards its own governance ECSSSUP has introduced appropriate safeguarding policies, a risk assessment to be reviewed annually, and a policy to cover equality and diversity issues adequately.

TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

Charity 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 as at the end of the financial year and of the surplus or deficit of the charity. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to:-

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business; and
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

The trustees are also responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are also responsible for the contents of the Trustees' Report.

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:

Signed:

Date:

Dr E-M M John
On behalf of the Trustees

**EPISCOPAL CHURCHES OF SOUTH SUDAN AND SUDAN UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIP
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR FROM 1ST JANUARY TO 31ST DECEMBER 2021**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR FROM 1ST JANUARY TO 31ST DECEMBER 2021**

| | Note | Unrestricted Funds 2021 | Restricted Funds 2021 | Total Funds 2021 | Total Funds 2020 |
|-----------------------------------|------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Income from: | | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Donations | 1 | 53,986 | - | 53,986 | 274,304 |
| Total | | <u>53,986</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>53,986</u> | <u>274,304</u> |
| Expenditure on: | | | | | |
| Charitable activities | 1 | 166,252 | - | 166,252 | 79,281 |
| Fees and expenses | 1 | 340 | - | 340 | 291 |
| Total | | <u>166,592</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>166,592</u> | <u>79,572</u> |
| Net income/(expenditure) | | (112,606) | - | (112,606) | 194,732 |
| Provision for TEU 2021 audit fees | | (2,000) | - | (2,000) | (2,000) |
| Transfers between funds | | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> |
| Net movements in funds | | (114,606) | - | (114,606) | 192,732 |
| Reconciliation of funds | | | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | | 214,507 | - | 214,507 | 21,775 |
| Total funds carried forward | | <u>99,901</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>99,901</u> | <u>214,507</u> |

**EPISCOPAL CHURCHES OF SOUTH SUDAN AND SUDAN UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIP
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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2021

| | | 2021 £ | 2020 £ |
|--|---|----------------|----------------|
| Current Assets | | | |
| Cash at bank and in hand | | 87,378 | 196,655 |
| Payments in Advance | 1 | 16,523 | 19,852 |
| | | <u>103,901</u> | <u>216,507</u> |
| Less Provisions for TEU 2020 & 2021 audit fees | 1 | (4,000) | (2,000) |
| Net assets | | <u>99,901</u> | <u>214,507</u> |
| The funds of the charity | | | |
| Restricted funds | | - | - |
| Unrestricted funds | | 99,901 | 214,507 |
| Total charity funds | | <u>99,901</u> | <u>214,507</u> |

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:

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 M.C.Horton
 Treasurer

Date.....

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice “Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP FRS102)”, issued in July 2014, and applicable accounting standards.

Income

The charity’s income during the year comprised voluntary donations of a general nature. No donations of a restricted nature have been received during the year. All donations are recognised where there is entitlement, probability of receipt and the amount can be measured with sufficient accuracy.

The amount of the charity’s income donated by the trustees during the year was £11,987 (2020 £19,797).

Expenditure

Expenditure included in the SOFA is on a cash payment basis. There are no liabilities at the end of December 2021

Payments in advance of £16,523 in the balance sheet comprise a payment made in December 2021 to TEU in respect of TEU salaries for the period from 1 January to 28 February 2022.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

A summary of the expenditure is as follows:

| | 2021 | 2020 |
|--|----------------|---------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Support for the project in South Sudan | 166,252 | 79,281 |
| Bank and Paypal Fees | 340 | 291 |
| Total | <u>166,592</u> | <u>79,572</u> |

Provision for TEU 2020 and 2021 audit fees

The charity has made a provision for TEU’s audit fees relating to 2020 and 2021, which will be paid by TEU when the audits are completed. That for 2020 was completed early in 2022.

Fixed Assets

The charity has no fixed assets.

Investments

The charity has no investments, other than its bank account balance

2. Trustees' Expenses

The trustees have received no payments in 2021.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (continued)

3. Employees

The charity has no employees.

4. Related Party Transactions

There are no related party transactions

5. Taxation

The CIO is a registered charity and is, therefore, exempt from taxation.

6. Post Balance Sheet Events

The current Covid-19 pandemic has not had any material effect on the financial sustainability of the charity. However, it may have some effect on the on-going work of developing the university in South Sudan. The level of such effect cannot be quantified at the present time but the trustees do not currently expect the work to be affected to a significant degree by the pandemic. The trustees, however, continue to monitor the situation in South Sudan during 2022.

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO TRUSTEES OF
THE EPISCOPAL CHURCHES OF SOUTH SUDAN AND SUDAN UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIP**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Partnership") for the year ended 31st December 2021, as set out on pages 6 to 9.

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

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

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

- The accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- The accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- The accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a "true and fair" view, which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Signed:

Date:

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