

Children's Cancer Centre of Lebanon (UK) Limited

Company number: 9233775

Charity number: 1161911

Children's Cancer Centre of Lebanon (UK) Limited  
(A charitable company limited by guarantee)

Annual Report and Unaudited Financial Statements  
for the year ended 31 December 2022

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Trustees' Annual Report

Year ended 31 December 2022

**(I) Legal and Administrative information:**

Charity Name:	Children's Cancer Centre of Lebanon (UK) Limited
Also known as:	CCCL(UK) or CCCLUK
Charity registration number:	1161911
Company registration number:	9233775
Registered office address:	27/28 Eastcastle Street, London, W1W 8DG
Independent Examiner:	Stephen Meredith FCA, DChA Alliotts, LLP Manfield House, 1 Southampton Street, London WC2R 0LR.
Bankers:	Banorient Bank London, 193-195 Brompton Road, London, SW3   LZ Bank Audi Sofil Branch, Beirut -Lebanon
Solicitors:	Dechert LLP, 160 Queen Victoria Street, London, EC4V 4QQ
Trustees / Directors:	Paul Edde, Hana El Chaar, Salwa Salman

# Children's Cancer Centre of Lebanon (UK) Limited

## Trustees' Annual Report

Year ended 31 December 2022

### (II) Trustees' report

In these financial statements, we will review our activities and their outcomes in 2022 and as a result, we will plan accordingly our strategy for the 2023 financial year. The review looks at the means of fund-raising and determines the level of contributions the charity made to cover each key purpose and the benefit we have brought to those groups of children we were set up to help. The review also helps us ensure that we meet our aims and objectives and that our activities remain focused on our stated purposes. By reviewing our aims and objectives and planning our future activities, the directors consider how the future planned activities will contribute to the above aims and objectives.

#### 1) Objectives and Activities

Our Charity's purposes remained unchanged and are as set out in the objectives contained in the charity's articles of association (the "Articles"). They remain:

the relief of sickness and the preservation and protection of health among children with any form of cancer in Lebanon or the surrounding region, or who are in need of rehabilitation as a result of such illness and, their families and carers by providing funds to assist in the provision of access to treatment, recreational facilities, and such other support, as the directors may determine;

the preservation and protection of the physical and mental health of individuals and families in Lebanon and the surrounding region who are suffering bereavement or loss by the provision of counseling and support; and the advancement of education in Lebanon in the subject of pediatric cancer in particular by providing funding for research into pediatric cancer and to publish the useful results of such research.

In the financial year 2022, our main activities continued to serve the objectives by saving the lives and helping treat children suffering from cancer and support in research that will eventually help to find better cures and increase the ratio of curing those patients. The strategies we used to raise funds for this activity include:

Organizing charitable events and campaigns to raise the necessary funds to approve at least one support application for the Children's Cancer Center of Lebanon based in Beirut, Lebanon ("CCCL Lebanon") per financial year, and Identifying and contacting potential donors and sponsors.

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### 2) How Our Activities Deliver Public Benefit

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

Our main charitable activities and who we try to help are as follows:

All of our charitable activities focus on raising funds to help treat children suffering from cancer. The Charity approves grants applied for by CCCL Lebanon to cover the cost of treating children suffering from cancer, in line with our objectives.

Funds may also be needed to cover accommodation costs of patients with acute medical conditions who reside with their families in places far from the medical center and who are required to be near in case of any emergency.

To support the development of medical protocols, the research program on pediatric cancer, and the awareness campaign of CCCL Lebanon, which will also lead to educating the general public/donors and supporters through fundraising campaigns where audiovisual and print material will be shared with the public.

The directors ensure that all grants made or being made will be to further our charitable purposes for the above benefits.

### 3) Achievements and performance

Our grants-making policy is to provide grants to CCCL Lebanon. The number of children treated by CCCL Lebanon in Beirut has reached 500 cases in 2022 (and more than 3,500 cases to date). CCCL Lebanon's medical services are accessed by all ethnic backgrounds, religions, gender, and nationality as proven by their admission records. CCCL Lebanon aims to maintain the equality of access to their services, which we believe is vital to our decision in approving grants, and it will be an ongoing condition in future decisions, because "no child should die without trying all treatments available to save his/her life."

CCCL Lebanon treats children from birth to 18 years old. In cases of relapse, CCCL Lebanon will support continuing treatment; the grants approved by our charity could also cover counseling or teaching services provided by CCCL Lebanon, which will ensure the recovery of children and the wellbeing of the patients.

### 4) Employment

The Children's Cancer Centre of Lebanon (UK) Limited ("CCCLUK") has continued not to employ anyone and all its functions are operated by volunteers, including the fundraising team and administrators.

The volunteers' roles include organizing meetings, bookkeeping, hosting, fundraising,



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communication, distributing information leaflets, public relations, and many more. Volunteers donated an estimated 100 hours of volunteering in 2022.

To date, no remuneration has been provided to any volunteers. None of the directors had any interests in any of the contracts CCCLUK has entered into with any suppliers of services or goods.

### 5) Financial Review

The funding of grants given by CCCLUK is raised from donations, events and events sponsors.

CCCLUK made £16,914 in grants to CCCL Lebanon in 2022; none of which is restricted. This saved many children as this helped in covering two months support with medications and yearly accommodation.

CCCLUK's success in raising £247,928 in 2022 which will allow the Charity to make further grants in 2023 to help CCCL Lebanon's work,

Total reserves at the year-end were £677,913 (2021: £472,973)

### 6) Principal Funding Sources

Donations, fundraising events, unrestricted donations received generated an amount of £227,345 (2021: £136,125). The principal funding sources for the charity are currently event organizing and receiving kind donations from supporters of the mission, causes and the objectives of the charity. The charity will carry on with their efforts in seeking to form new partnerships with multi-national organizations that are based in London in order to identify possible fundraising opportunities for the future.

The charity does not use a professional fundraiser, or commercial participator.

### 7) Investment Policy

The charity will aim to retain a prudent amount in reserves each year. However, we will spend most of the funds raised (restricted and non-restricted) in supporting CCCL Lebanon with its mission as set out above. Accordingly, we do not intend to keep any funds for long-term investment nevertheless, the board of directors will review all the investments options and make any investments plans early in the new financial year of 2023.

### 8) Reserves Policy

In 2023, the board of directors examined the charity's requirements for emergency and free reserves and decided to continue with their initial plan of retaining some of the unrestricted funds held by the charity. The emergency reserves of CCCLUK should be between three and six months of its annual expenditure calculated in 2021. Based on 2020, 2021 and 2022 expenditures, the average annual expenditure is £69,303 and the total expenditure for 2023 is not expected to exceed £100,000. Due to



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various risk factor which could hinder and obstruct fundraising activities globally, and the recent increase of the CCCLUK expenditure for the past 3 years, the board of directors has decided to increase the initial target of a minimum £17,500 and the maximum reserve fund from £35,000 to £48,500. The board of directors is confident that at this level it would be able to continue the current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in fundraising and unforeseen events such as the spread of the pandemic. Since the board's decision was to postpone the continuation of building the reserve needed as planned in the previous annual reports, and since the board decide to increase the reserves to £48,500, the CCCLUK will continue to retain some of its unrestricted funds to reach the £48,500 in 2023 and 2024. That said, £15,000 was retained for 2021 and £ 4,500 in 2022 with the expectation of reaching £48,500 by end of 2023.

As at the year-end, the free reserves were £677,913 (2021: £472,973) following the net movement in funds of £204,940 resulting from the generous donations in the year. This will allow CCCLUK to make further life-saving donations to CCCL Lebanon in 2023 returning reserves down to the maximum. So far, CCCLUK is planning to further grant Children Cancer Center of Lebanon during the financial year of 2023 grants totalling around £64,000.

### 9) Plans for Future Periods

The charity's plans are to continue the activities outlined above in 2023 and in the forthcoming years subject to satisfactory fundraising outcomes. Moreover, the board of directors will continue to seek to elaborate on current and establish new partnerships with multi-national organizations to increase donations paid to CCCLUK and executing crowd funding campaigns.

Any learnings from past experience are discussed and assessed among the trustees at the AGM.

### 10) Structure, Governance and Management

The organization is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 24 September 2014 and registered as a charity on 1 June 2015. The company was established and it is governed by its memorandum and Articles.

### 11) Recruitment and Appointment of Board of Directors

The directors of CCCLUK are also the charity trustees in order to fulfill the purposes of the charity law and under the company's Articles.

For one to be eligible to become a CCCLUK trustee; he/ she shall:

1. Have experience in the NGO/ charities field for not less than 3 years
2. Is an active person & ready to give from his/ her own time & money in favor of the cause

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3. experience in doing fundraising events

4. Have good PR

Under the requirements of CCCLUK's Articles of Association, all directors retired in rotation at the first annual general meeting (held on 21 February 2017), with one-third of the directors retiring at each subsequent meeting. Retiring directors may be re-elected.

About training, all the trustees have previous experience in NGO work and they have all read the Articles of Association related to CCCLUK.

### 12) Risk Management

Significant external risks to funding have led CCCLUK to plan and develop a strategic approach that will allow for the diversification of fundraising projects and activities. Internal control risks are minimized by the implementation of procedures for the authorization of all transactions and for project execution.

Because of the lockdowns as a result of the pandemic & social distancing restrictions, no events were held on during year 2022. We are planning to have events during 2023 and we are currently maintaining few direct donations from people & controlling our expenditures.

### 13) Organizational Structure

CCCLUK's Board of directors is comprised of at least two directors (not subject to any maximum). There are currently three directors who meet frequently and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity. At present, the directors have a variety of professional backgrounds relevant to the work of the charity.

### 14) Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees, who are also the directors of Children's Cancer Centre of Lebanon (UK) Limited for the purpose of company law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the accounts in accordance with applicable law and regulations and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year. Under that law, the trustees have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law, the trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and the result of the charity for that period.

In preparing these accounts, the Trustees are required to:



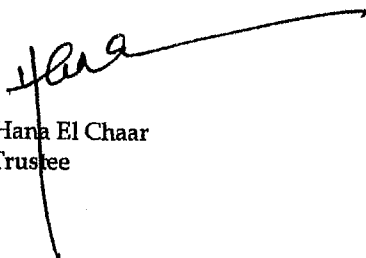
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- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them
- observe the methods and principals in the Charities SORP (FRS102);
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

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

This report has been prepared in accordance with the statement of recommended practice, Accounting, and Reporting by Charities, and in accordance with the special provisions of part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small entities.

This trustees' report including pages 3 to page 8 was approved by the Board on 26 Oct 2022 and signed on its behalf by:



Hana El Chaar  
Trustee

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**(III) Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Children's Cancer Centre Lebanon (UK) Limited**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charitable company for the year ended 31 December 2022, which are set out on pages 11 to 16.

*Responsibilities and basis of report*

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

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the charity are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's financial statements as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination, I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

*Independent examiner's statement*

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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

*Stephen Meredith*

Stephen Meredith FCA, DChA  
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Chartered Accountants  
Manfield House, 1, Southampton St, London WC2R 0LR

*26 October 2023*

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**(IV) Statement of financial activities (incorporating, income and expenditure account)**

**Year ended 31 December 2022**

	Note	Unrestricted 2022 £	Restricted 2022 £	Total 2022 £	Unrestricted 2021 £	Restricted 2021 £	Total 2021 £
<b>Income and Endowments From:</b>							
Donations and legacies		227,345		227,345	136,125		136,125
Raising Funds					-		-
Other Revenues		20,583		20,583	77		77
<b>Total Income and Endowments</b>		<b>247,928</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>247,928</b>	<b>136,202</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>136,202</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>							
Raising Funds					-		-
Charitable Activities	3	42,988	-	42,988	49,866	-	49,866
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<b>42,988</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>42,988</b>	<b>49,866</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>49,866</b>
<b>Net Movement in Funds</b>		<b>204,940</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>204,940</b>	<b>86,336</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>86,336</b>
Fund balances at 1 January 2022		472,973		472,973	386,637	-	386,637
Fund balances at 31 December 2022	7	677,913	-	677,913	472,973	-	472,973

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses in the year. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activity.

The attached notes form part of these financial statements.

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**(V) Balance sheet as at 31 December 2022**

	Notes	2022	2021
<b>Current Assets</b>		£	£
Cash at banks and in hand		<u>681,064</u>	<u>478,611</u>
		<u>681,064</u>	<u>478,611</u>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	5	<u>(3,151)</u>	<u>(5,638)</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>677,913</u>	<u>472,973</u>
<b>Reserves</b>			
<b>Restricted Funds</b>			
General unrestricted funds	7	<u>677,913</u>	<u>472,973</u>
		<u>677,913</u>	<u>472,973</u>

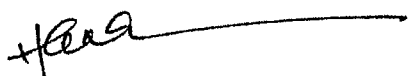
For the financial year ended 31 December 2022, the charitable company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibility for the charitable company with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and for the preparation of accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

Approved for issue by the board of trustees on 26 Oct 2023... And signed on its behalf by:

  
Hana El Chaar  
Trustee

The attached notes form part of these financial statements.

Company registration No. 9233775

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**(VI) Notes to the financial statements**

Year to 31 December 2022

**1) Principal Accounting Policies**

**Charity information**

Children's Cancer Centre of Lebanon (UK) Limited is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. Its registered office is 27/28 Eastcastle Street, London, W1W 8DG.

**Basis of accounting**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' ('FRS 102'), 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying IRS 102 (as effective from 1 January 2019), the Companies Act 2006 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The company is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the company. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

**Going Concern**

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

**Incoming Resources**

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is entitled to the income, and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. Donations are normally brought into account when received and are stated gross of any attributable tax recoverable. Government and institutional loans are accounted for on a receivable basis. Donations and loans given for specific purposes are treated as restricted income.

**Resources Expended**

Liabilities are recognized as resources expended as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to the expenditure. All expenditure is accounted for on an accrual basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure includes all VAT that is not recovered, and it is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Governance costs comprise examiner's fees and expenses.

Grants made to other charities comprise payments made to other charities during the year.

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3) Charitable Activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £
Grants made	16,914		16,914	40,474		40,474
Governance Costs	8,534		8,534	7,725		7,725
Bank charges	372		372	317		317
Telephone Bills	1,282		1,282	1,258		1,258
Supporting costs	15,728		15,728	64		64
DIE	158		158	28		28
	42,988		42,988	49,866		49,866

On February 24, 2022, CCCLUK donated £16,914 to CCCL Lebanon in a form of an unrestricted grant. None of the trustees has been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from employment with their charity or a related entity (2021: £nil).

There were no employees in 2022 (2021: none) and no employee benefits in the year (2021: none).

Governance costs include payments to the independent examiners of £3,036 (2021: £2,760) for independent examination fees.

4) Support Costs

	Support Cost	Governance Cost	Total	Support Costs	Governance Costs	Total
	2022			2021		
Exchange Losses	158	-	158	28	-	28
Other sundry costs	15,728	-	15,728	64	-	64
Telephone	1,282	-	1,282	1,258	-	1,258
Bank charges	372	-	372	317	-	317
Legal and professional	-	8,534	8,534	-	7,725	7,725
Total	17,540	8,534	26,074	1,667	7,725	9,392

### 5) Creditors

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade Creditors	115	2,878
Accruals	3,036	2,760
	3,151	5,638

### 6) Funds of the Charity

	Balance at 1 Jan-22 £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Balance at 31 Dec-22 £
Unrestricted Funds	472,973	247,928	(42,988)	677,913

### 7) Analysis of net assets in funds

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total £
Net Assets - Cash	677,913	Nil	677,913

#### **8) Related Party Transactions**

The charitable company donated to the Children's Cancer Center of Lebanon during the year of £16,914 (2021: £40,474). There were no other related party transactions.

#### **9) Controlling Party**

The Children's Cancer Center of Lebanon is considered the ultimate controlling party of the charitable company by virtue of the majority of trustees in common.

The Children's Cancer Center of Lebanon is a Lebanese Not-for-profit Foundation registered at the Ministry of Interior under the No. 138 AD, with its principal place located at the American University of Beirut Medical Center (AUBMC) Building 56, Clemenceau St., Beirut, Lebanon.

