



Playgrounds for Palestine UK Trustee report for 2024

Trustees' Annual Report - Financial Year 1 January - 31 December 2024

1 Context

Throughout 2024 the humanitarian situation in Palestine deteriorated sharply. The war in Gaza and heightened movement restrictions in the West Bank curtailed everyday life and placed unprecedented demands on organisations working with children. These conditions framed both our fundraising environment and our programme delivery.

2 Income

Source	Amount (£)	Notes
Public donations & events	9,316	Two flagship events: a benefit rock concert in Bristol and a Palestinian dinner near London
Gift Aid (received Jan 2025)	≈ 2,000	Will be recognised in the 2025 accounts

*Total income recognised in 2024 accounts: **£9,316***

Income was slightly lower than in 2023 as many long-standing supporters redirected donations to emergency food and shelter appeals.

3 Expenditure & Programme Activity

Category	Amount (£)	Highlights
Programme delivery	19,005	Partnership with Child Smile (Gaza): two cycles of drama-therapy workshops reaching several hundred war-affected children. Independent video and photographic monitoring confirmed positive psychosocial outcomes.

*Total expenditure: **£19,005** – an increase of c£4,500 from 2023, reflecting additional emergency programme costs.*

4 Governance

Trustees

Roslyn Arthur · Evie Dickinson · Julian Lewis · Lesley Ravenscroft · Sadia Akram

Volunteer advisers

Nora Allen · Shireen Tawil · Gracie Arthur

The trustees record their sincere gratitude to all volunteers, partners and donors, and to **Rachel Rice**, who independently examined the 2024 accounts.

5 Looking Ahead (2025)

- Expand working with other partners, such as Culture and Free Thought Association (CFTA) in Gaza, and consolidate and expand drama-therapy provision with Child Smile, subject to security conditions and funding, helping to ensure we reach as many children as possible.
 - Expand awareness of our charity through increased social media presence and visibility through articles and conferences, as appropriate. Consider the use of a paid fundraiser.
 - Continue to seek others who can support the work of our charity.
 - Review and strengthen policies and procedures, as appropriate, including the working relationship with PfP in America.
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Approved by the Board of Trustees on 30/6 /2025 and signed on its behalf by Roslyn Arthur, Chair.



UK registered
charity
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Playgrounds for Palestine UK, 2024 Accounts

Income

2023	Donations received:	2024
3245.13	Individuals	2011.35
84.97	Easy Fundraising	59.90
184.59	Amazon (charity donations)	-
170.80	Benevity Charitable Giving	854.11
5.68	Citibank	7.20
-	Charities Trust	362.00
29.35	Muslim Giving	124.47
2987.42	JustGiving	478.77
23.67	Stripe	-
224.32	Online Giving Foundation	-
	Fundraising Bristol	1405.00
	Fundraising Strawberry Fields Collective	2706.50
£6,955.93		£8,009.30
1046.56	Interest	1231.70
35.00	Sales via website	75.20
2404.77	HMRC gift aid refunded (2022 and 2023)	*
£10,442.26	Total income	£9,316.20

- Gift aid claimed but not received before end 2024, will be in 2025 accounts

Expenditure

2023		2024
60.00	Bank fees (CAF charges, now £5 per month)	60.00
25.00	Bank fees for transfers to Palestine	75.00
6.00	Bank charge, online giving	-
14594.89	Transfer to Palestine (building playgrounds)	18013.27
	Fundraising Bristol	38.50
	Fundraising Strawberry Fields Collective	637.15
	Expenses Trustee Meeting	175.25
	Postage	5.39
£14,685.89	Total expenditure	£19,004.56

2023		2024
£55,811.56	Opening balance	£51,567.93
-£4,243.63	Net of receipts/(payments)	-£9,688.36
£51,567.93		£41,879.57

Represented by

£1,389.27	CAF main account	£1,173.21
£50,178.66	CAF gold account	£40,706.36

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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name:

PLAYGROUNDS FOR PALESTINE (UK)

On accounts for the year
ended

2024

Charity no
(if any)

1164949

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

Responsibilities and
basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above
charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2024

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 Trust'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

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to
undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of
applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have
come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that
disclosed below *) 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.

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

Signed:

Rachael Rice

Date:

05/06/25 RR

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qualification(s) or body
(if any):

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Section B

Disclosure

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

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

— NONE —