

# Trustees annual report 2023

Charity Name. BLUE DRAGON CHILDRENS FOUNDATION

Charity Registration Number 1165180

## Trustees

Lesley Bleakley – Chair  
Lilian Ngo  
Georgia Jones  
Laurinda Da Silva  
Sophia Cliff

## Purposes and Aims

We support the work of Blue Dragon Children's Foundation International which in turn co-operates and liaises with other entities with similar objectives to raise funds and promote Blue Dragon and the objectives of Blue Dragon in Southeast Asia

## Charitable objects

The CIO was established for the public benefit to relieve those who are vulnerable and in need by reason of youth, poverty or other social and economic disadvantage in any part of the world but primarily in Vietnam and southeast Asia.

Blue Dragon provides a safe environment, legal and other support, guidance, healthcare, food and education training. Education training can include vocational training along with generally schooling, anything necessary to help a vulnerable child or young person. Blue Dragon provides accommodation for children who are homeless or those who no longer can live in the familial homes.

Blue Dragon provides financial and other assistance to families of children and young people who suffer from the problems highlighted above.

Blue Dragon UK promotes the CIO in the UK to help raise funds for the work in Southeast Asia

**Focus of work** raising awareness of the plight of the vulnerable in Vietnam and Southeast Asia and raising funds

**To date, Blue Dragon has:**

Rescued 1,388 people from trafficking  
Represented 256 people in court cases  
Sent 6,305 kids back to school & training  
Provided shelter to 1,618 girls & boys  
Placed 442 teens in jobs  
Served 665,725 meals  
Built 262 homes for families  
Reunited 764 runaways with their families  
Obtained legal papers for 13,543 people  
Played 3,446 games of soccer!

**Outreach**

Attending Vietnamese Embassy Functions. Vietnam UK Diplomatic functions.  
Liaising with Viet Pro group and attending functions in order to do presentations.  
Social Media outreach

**Principle funding sources** PayPal monthly donors

**Reserves policy** keep £10k in the bank account send the surplus to Blue Dragon International

**Plans for the future.** Increase our social media presence in the UK in order to gain more donations

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BLUE DRAGON CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION UK  
Charity registration number: 1165180  
Most of the information you give in this form will become publicly available on the Register of Charities. Any field that the Charity Commission will not display will be clearly marked.  
This document is a record of the information provided in the Annual Return 2023.

PART A - Charity information

Financial period

Financial period start date

01/01/2023

Financial period end date

31/12/2023

Income and spending

Income £

£ 61,640

Spending £

£ 60,349

Number of contracts from government

How many contracts (other than grant agreements) did your charity receive from central government or a local authority during the financial period for this return?

0

Number of grants from government

How many grants did your charity receive from central government or a local authority during the financial period for this return?

0

Income breakdown

Donations and legacies (excluding Endowments Received)

£ 61,640

Charitable activities

£ 0

Other trading activities

£ 0

Investments

£ 0

Other

£ 0

Grantmaking

Is grant making the main way your charity carries out its purposes?

No

Recipients of grants

Please round all figures to the nearest pound (do not enter decimal points or commas).

Individuals

£ 0

Other charities

£ 0

Other organisations that are not charities

£ 0

Trustee payments

Excluding out of pocket expenses, for what were any of the trustees paid during the financial period for this return?

☒ e. None of the trustees have been paid

Did any of the trustees resign and take up employment with your charity in the financial period of this return?

No

Income from outside the UK

Did your charity receive income from outside of the United Kingdom in the financial period of this return?

unknown

Delivering activities outside the United Kingdom

Did your charity deliver charitable activities outside of the United Kingdom in the financial period of this return?

No

Spending outside England & Wales

Did your charity spend funds outside of the United Kingdom in the financial period of this return?

No

Total Spending outside England & Wales

£

Trading subsidiaries

Does the charity have any trading subsidiaries?

No

Charity contact details correct

Is the contact address displayed from the Register of Charities, correct?

Yes

Charity headquarters details correct

Is this the same address that you use as your charity's administrative headquarters?

Yes

Charity contact address

Address Line 1

28 Rowlls Road

Address Line 2

KINGSTON UPON THAMES

Address Line 3

Surrey

Address Line 4

Address Line 5

Postcode

KT1 3ET

Country

Charity Headquarters address

Address Line 1

28 Rowlls Road

Address Line 2

KINGSTON UPON THAMES

Address Line 3

Surrey

Address Line 4

Address Line 5

Postcode

KT1 3ET

Country

Membership type

Is the charity part of a wider group structure with a parent body and subsidiary bodies?

no, the charity is not part of a wider group structure

Employment contract types

People were permanently employed by your charity

0

People were on fixed-terms contracts with your charity

0

Self-employed people were working for your charity

0

Governance policies

Internal charity financial controls policy and procedures

Yes

Safeguarding policy and procedures

Yes

Financial reserves policy and procedures

Yes

Complaints policy and procedures

Yes

Serious incident reporting policy and procedures

Yes

Internal risk management policy and procedures

Yes

Trustee expenses policy and procedures

Yes

Trustee conflicts of interest policy and procedures

Yes

Investing charity funds policy and procedures

Not applicable

Campaigns and political activity policy and procedures

Not applicable

Bullying and harassment policy and procedures

Yes

Social media policy and procedures

Yes

Engaging external speakers at charity events policy and procedures

Not applicable

Safeguarding

Has your charity provided services to children and/or adults at risk in the financial period of the return?

Yes

a. All required standard DBS checks have been obtained

No

b. All required enhanced DBS checks have been obtained

No

c. All required enhanced with Barred List(s) DBS checks have been obtained

No

d. DBS checks are not required other than Basic DBS checks

Yes

Serious Incidents

Has your charity reported all Serious Incidents (including any historical incidents) that the charity became aware of during the financial period of this return?

There were no incidents to report

External risk and impact

Donations

Unknown/No Change/Not Applicable

Other income - grants

Unknown/No Change/Not Applicable

Other income - contracts

Unknown/No Change/Not Applicable

Other income - investment

Unknown/No Change/Not Applicable

Expenditure on charitable activities

Unknown/No Change/Not Applicable

Expenditure on overheads

Unknown/No Change/Not Applicable

Number of volunteers

Unknown/No Change/Not Applicable

Number of employees

Unknown/No Change/Not Applicable

Number of trustees

Unknown/No Change/Not Applicable

Fundraising activities

Unknown/No Change/Not Applicable

Capacity to deliver services

Unknown/No Change/Not Applicable

Total service demand

Unknown/No Change/Not Applicable

Volunteers

Excluding trustees, provide an estimate of the number of volunteers who carried out charitable activities on behalf of your charity in the United Kingdom during the financial period of this return?

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Privacy statement

Any information you give us will be held securely and processed only in accordance with the rule on data protection. We will not disclose your personal details to anyone unconnected to the Charity Commission unless:

- you have consented to their release; or
- we are legally obliged to disclose them; or
- we regard disclosure as either (a) necessary so that we can properly carry out our statutory functions or (b) necessary in the public interest.

We may share and disclose information about you with relevant public authorities, regulatory bodies and agencies, outside the Charity Commission but only if:

- we can lawfully do so; and
- we decide that disclosure is necessary for national security, crime detection, prevention, and law enforcement, or other issues in the public interest

Information we collect about you

We will use this information:

To enable us to carry out our statutory functions and duties;

This will include the following actions:

- (a) update, consolidate, and improve the accuracy of our records;
- (b) undertake crime detection and prevention and law enforcement and assist the third parties specified above to investigate or prevent crime and carry out law enforcement;
- (c) data analysis, testing, research, statistical and survey purposes

Information we receive from other sources.

Information we receive from other sources

We may combine this information with information you give to us and information we collect about you.

We may use this information and the combined information for the purposes set out above (depending on the types of information we receive).

We will ensure that any such disclosure and use is proportionate; considers your right to respect for your private life; and is done fairly and lawfully in accordance with the data protection principles of the Data Protection Act.

The Data Protection Act 1998 regulates the use of 'personal data', which is essentially any information, however stored, about identifiable living individuals.

As a 'data controller' under the Act, the Charity Commission must comply with it. Any changes we may make to our privacy statement in the future will be set out in the replacement version of this form.

Please check back frequently to see any updates or changes to our privacy policy.

## Declaration

This annual return has not been submitted and no Declaration has been made



# Independent examiner's report on the accounts

## Section A

## Independent Examiner's Report

### Report to the trustees

Charity Name  
Blue Dragon Children's Foundation

### On accounts for the year ended

December 2023

Charity no  
(if any)

1165180

### Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 / 12 / 2023**

### Responsibilities and basis of report

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: Laurinda Da Silva

Date: 13/11/2024

Name: Laurinda Da Silva

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

Association of Certified Chartered Accountant (ACCA)

Address: 94 Balmoral Drive WD6 2RB Hertfordshire


**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.**

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