

# VIDES UK

England & Wales · Charity number 1166876

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2016-05-03

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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**Address** 61a Mansion Drive  
Croxteth  
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**Website** <http://www.videsuk.org.uk/>

## Activities

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**Objects:** THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ARE:3.1 THE EDUCATION, DEVELOPMENT, AND TRAINING OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT INCLUDING BY:3.1.1 ENCOURAGING AND ENABLING YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN TO UNDERTAKE VOLUNTARY WORK IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRINCIPLES OF DON BOSCO IN EDUCATION, SOCIAL SERVICE AND SIMILAR ACTIVITIES IN VARIOUS PARTS OF THE WORLD;3.1.2 PROVIDING FORMATIVE ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE.3.2 TO COLLABORATE AND LIAISE WITH OTHER VOLUNTARY AGENCIES HAVING SIMILAR AIMS.NOTHING IN THIS CONSTITUTION SHALL AUTHORISE AN APPLICATION OF THE PROPERTY OF THE CIO FOR THE PURPOSES WHICH ARE NOT CHARITABLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 7 OF THE CHARITIES AND TRUSTEE INVESTMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005 AND SECTION 2 OF THE CHARITIES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 2008.

**Activities:** VIDES UK offers young people aged 17 plus the opportunity to volunteer. They receive training and opportunities for Personal Development as well as an ongoing structured support programme before, during and after VIDES UK projects.VIDES UK also provides summer camps, weekends, weekly clubs and Youth Leadership Training for children & young people aged 8-16 in the UK

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Human Resources
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Children/young People

## Geography

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- Scotland
- Throughout England And Wales

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£26,349	£24,492	-	-
2023-12-31	£8,725	£23,911	-	-
2022-12-31	£22,363	£32,196	-	-
2021-12-31	£11,337	£5,404	-	-
2020-12-31	£11,662	£6,953	-	-

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
<b>Sr Gillian McCambridge</b>	Chair	2026-01-17
David McCormick		2022-09-09
Ellie Creighton		2025-01-25
Jack Lyon		2022-09-09
Laura Whiteley		2022-09-09
Pamella Lambert		2023-04-23
SR Anne Frances McNamee		2022-09-09
Samantha Cantillon		2022-09-09
Sr Bernadette Cassidy		2026-01-17

## Linked charities

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- VIDES UK (1166876-1)

**VIDES UK**

England & Wales - Charity number 1166876

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# Accounts

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**VIDES UK CIO**  
**Registered Charity**  
**Number**  
**No: 1166876**

**Financial Report**  
**1<sup>st</sup> January – 31<sup>st</sup>**  
**December 2024**

# Financial Report for 1st January – 31st December 2024

## Income and Expenditure Account Statement of Assets and Liabilities

Balance brought forward from 2023 - £1,554,55

### Income

Vides Office General	£64.00
General Donation - INC Pilgrim & SYM	£26,210.00
Subs	£75.00

Savings Account £5.79

**Total Income** £26,349.00

### *Direct Charitable Expenditure*

Vides Office General	£811.47
Photocopier Expenses	£580.76
Phone & Broadband	£100.78
Insurance	£1,141.60
Vides International	£297.09
Hospitality	£59.84
Resources	£114.00
Vides for Youth - Deposit	£500.00
General Donation - INC Pilgrim & SYM	£20,850.35
Promotional Material	£35.99

**Total Expenditure** £24,491.88

**Balance Breakdown at year end**

Current Account	£ 3,411.67
Savings Account	£ 5.79

**Restricted Funds**

Abroad	£ 0
Provincial Council	£ 0

**Total Restricted Funds** £ 0

**Total Unrestricted Funds** £3,417.46



## **VIDES UK (CIO)**

Charity Number: 1166876

### **Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Report for the Period 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024**

January 2025



## Reference & Administration Details

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**Solicitor** – Wrigley's Solicitors LLP, 19 Cookridge St, Leeds LS2 3AG

**Independent Examiner** – Anne Quirk

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### Description of the Charity's Trusts

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## Other Optional Information

With the closure of the FMA house in Croxteth for refurbishment, the VIDES UK Trustees took the decision to have a fallow year as the office and resources had to be packed up and placed in storage.

However, some VIDES events still took place. In January, during the AGM weekend and to coincide with the Feast of St John Bosco, a Mass and Afternoon Tea were held in the FMA house of Blundellsands. This was a great opportunity to bring the wider Salesian Family together, and to gain new supporters who signed up to monthly donations for VIDES. Thanks goes to the Salesian Sisters' Community in Blundellsands for opening their doors to us for any Committee meetings and VIDES gatherings.

VIDES UK also welcomed Elisa Brouty from VIDES France. Elisa spent 5 ½ months (January – May) in the FMA Community in Glasgow. She helped establish the new Salesian Oratory there, working with children and young people in the local area. Elisa was able to share her experience of volunteering with VIDES France, enriching our knowledge of the wider VIDES network. It was a great experience for everyone, and Elisa remains in contact with VIDES UK.

In September 2024, Sr Gill attended the VIDES International AGM in Fatima, Portugal. This was an important meeting of networking and looking at the revised constitutions and formation programme of the wider VIDES network.

Although VIDES UK had a fallow year the Committee continued to meet and plan for our next steps. We recognise that VIDES will be moving into a time of transition over the next 12-18 months and hopefully will be back in our new refurbished office in Croxteth within this time. To ensure that the upcoming period of transition is as smooth as possible and to have a clear vision for VIDES UK going forward a working party of Sr Anne Frances, David McCormick, Laura Whiteley and Pamella Lambert has been formed. They will work closely with representatives of the FMA Trustees to ensure that the needs of VIDES UK and its beneficiaries are fully identified, and a process will be put in place to ensure the successful continuation of VIDES UK.

Looking ahead to 2025, VIDES UK is excited to begin a new project in Bolton, England in July for children and young people of that area. This will involve greater promotion of Volunteering with VIDES UK to young people in Liverpool and Bolton, offering opportunities to learn and develop new skills whilst being active participants in their local areas.

As always, our thanks go to our dedicated team of Trustees for their continued interest and dedication to VIDES UK. We also acknowledge all those who support our work and events through their money, time, premises and participation. It is always appreciated, and we thank you for helping us make a difference!

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## Other Optional Information

### VIDES YOUTH COUNCIL

Established in 2022 our VIDES Youth Council continued to develop in 2023. They had a residential weekend meeting from 13<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> January in the Irenaeus Centre, Waterloo. This was an opportunity for them to meet with Sr Anne Frances, Samantha Cantillon, David McCormick and Ellie Creighton to explore themes and topics which would inform planning for the next Anima project. The Youth Council bring the voice of the other young people attending VIDES projects and help to ensure that what we offer is relevant to the issues facing young people today. Over the weekend the team of Volunteers led the Youth Council through moments of Personal Development sessions, sharing, activities, games, walks and recreational activities. Time was also spent looking at possible fundraising activities which would contribute to their Italy trip. The weekend was a great success and an excellent experience of team building within the Youth Council.

The Youth Council also met monthly with the same volunteer team via Zoom. These sessions offered training, interactive games, and an opportunity to plan and prepare for both Anima and the pilgrimage to Italy.

## **ANIMA**

Our third ANIMA project took place in Pentrenant Hall, Churchstoke, between Saturday 1st and Saturday 8th April 2023. We were joined by young people from Scotland, Warrington, St Helens and Croxteth who attended the camp from Sunday 2nd – Friday 7th April. There were 24 young people in attendance.

ANIMA April 2023 was facilitated by Samantha Cantillon and David McCormick. They were supported by a fantastic team of volunteers; Ellie Creighton, Bobby Gray, Unathi Btokom and Charlotte Jones. Sr Anne Frances McNamee was present as Formator and Sr Gill McCambridge and Sr Bernie Cassidy supported as Mamma Margarets, organising mealtimes for the camp.

The themes for ANIMA 2023 were influenced by the voice of the young and the newly formed VIDES Youth Council were consulted to capture their opinion on topics and issues that are relevant to young people today. They helped the team to identify what areas they most needed our camp to explore. The Youth Council were also invited to join the team in the delivery of content during ANIMA as Youth Leaders. They were responsible for supporting in Cabin Groups and Big Games.

We had returning young people who had attended the previous two ANIMA projects, and some new people had joined. There was a real enthusiasm and excitement throughout the week, and the chosen themes generated lots of discussion and team building.

The themes covered during ANIMA 2023 were:

- Body image; young people explored the impact of social media on our view of ourselves and the value we give each other due to body shape and size.
- Peer pressure; our VIDES Youth Council had asked us to explore peer pressure as a topic so they could share their concerns around underage drinking and smoking as well as unacceptable and anti-social behaviours.
- Knife crime; this was as a result of young people being exposed to crimes in their community. As well as discussing the use of weapons amongst young people, there was an opportunity for each member of the project to take part in a First Aid training session provided by First Aid for Life.

It must be noted that this project took place with a smaller number of volunteers, which was not made easier by the reduced number of young people. Regardless of the number of participants, there is always a need for Salesian presence which meant that our team were more stretched than ever and with little room for covering each other the team worked tirelessly to ensure that camp ran as smoothly as possible. We thank them for their hard work and enthusiasm, both before and during camp this year.

ANIMA has become a loved project, and it is exciting to see so many young people with the potential to contribute to future VIDES initiatives with passion and enthusiasm. The team are looking forward to developing ANIMA further and finding new ways to involve Youth Leaders and help them to nurture their skills and develop new ones whilst working with other young people.

## YOUTH COUNCIL PILGRIMAGE

A Youth Council pilgrimage to Turin and Mornese, Italy, occurred from Monday 29th May to Saturday 3rd June 2023. Those in attendance were the four Youth Council members and were accompanied by Sr Anne Frances, Samantha Cantillon, David McCormick, Bobby Gray, Ellie Creighton, and Charlotte Jones. Other than Sr Anne Frances, Samatha Cantillon and David McCormick, nobody had visited either place before, which created an atmosphere of excitement for the whole group. Every day began with a Salesian good morning and ended with a Salesian goodnight. The good mornings followed a different theme each day: Response, Collaboration, Renewal, and Anima (Passion). These were planned and delivered by Samantha Cantillon, Bobby Gray, Ellie Creighton, and Charlotte Jones respectively, and goodnights were planned and delivered by Sr Anne Frances, Samatha Cantillon, and David McCormick. Throughout the week, time was designated each day to utilise the reflection booklet we had been given at the start of the week. The youth council responded to it well and were eager to express themselves in both the small group and wider group conversation that followed after each reflection.

In Turin, we stayed in local accommodation and visited the places where St John Bosco was born, lived, worked, and died. Some of these places had been transformed into museums, so we were given a real insight into his life and works, and the knowledge that could be found was furthered by Sr Anne Frances, Samantha Cantillon, and David McCormick who were charged with delivering inputs, setting any tasks, and offering thoughts for reflection. During any free time, we were encouraged to see the local area and time was set aside for any shopping and sight-seeing. We came together every day at meal times to share each other's company and share a meal together.

In Mornese, we stayed in the Salesian Sisters' house where we received a warm welcome. The time spent there saw us travel across Mornese to follow the life and work of St Mary Mazzarello. We were privileged enough to see the places she lived, worshipped, and worked. Those who had never been before were keen to visit the particular window that was so important to Mary Mazzarello, even if they had only learned about it whilst on pilgrimage. Due to the small size of the village, a lot of the travelling was done on foot, which provided an additional insight into the life of St Mary Mazzarello as we were able to walk the routes that she may have walked. Free time was spent at the Salesian Sisters' house; the large yard was used for different ball games, and the surrounding benches were occupied by card games and conversation. One evening was spent enjoying a quiz night social that Ellie and Bobby had planned and delivered. It was extremely successful; measured by the smiles and laughter that were ever-present.

The end of the week consisted of a group of tired but enriched individuals who had, in their own personal ways, experienced something wonderful. Upon arriving home, the parents of Youth Council members sent in their thanks and expressed how much their children had enjoyed their time. This sentiment was shared by the other members of the group and the general feeling was one of the desire to do it all again.

## **SAFEGUARDING**

This year the VIDES UK Committee have had updated in-house safeguarding training. This was an opportunity to explore the updates made to Keeping Children Safe in Education. There was a focus on social media and how we can promote the safe use of online platforms as part of our projects moving forward.

All team members taking part in ANIMA April 2023 took part in a safeguarding session before the arrival of any young people.

New members of committee were directed to take part in Safeguarding for Trustees to understand their responsibilities in relation to the safe keeping of all VIDES UK members, volunteers and beneficiaries.

Our organisation is committed to promoting an inclusive community where each person is valued and treated as a child of God, made in His image and likeness.

Now that our new Safeguarding Concern Forms are embedded into our practice, the committee have given time and attention to completing the 7 R Process for each completed form. We're pleased to say that following VIDES UK projects in 2023, there was no need for any Safeguarding Concern Forms to be completed or directed to the VIDES UK committee.

## **TEMPORARY RELOCATION**

Due to planned restructure of the Salesian Sisters of Great Britain, VIDES UK have temporarily changed location to allow for a complete renovation of the office and

house in Croxteth, Liverpool. Members of the Committee gathered on the 20th May 2023 to transfer the bulk of the resources of VIDES UK to its temporary facility in Blundellsands, Sefton. The team then spent time with the community of Sisters at Blundellsands who will be of great support throughout the temporary move. The remaining furniture was transferred during the summer of 2023. Space has been made available in Blundellsands for any VIDES meetings and gatherings to take place and volunteers have been encouraged to use the space as they would in Croxteth. We thank Sr Elizabeth and the Community of Blundellsands for opening their house to us during this time and for the many ways they continue to support and sustain VIDES UK. The renovation of the house in Croxteth began in September 2023, and is expected to be completed in late 2024 at which point, VIDES UK's resources will return to the house. Throughout the closure, VIDES UK will remain registered at the address in Croxteth, and any updates will be fed back to the committee.

## **OUTREACH**

In November Sr Ann Frances represented VIDES UK with a stall at the Career's Fair at De la Salle school, St Helen's. This was a wonderful event which allowed many young people to connect with VIDES UK and discover more of what we do and can offer. Isabel Jones, VIDES Youth Councillor and pupil at the school attended and was a great ambassador for VIDES UK through her enthusiasm and sharing some of her experiences with people.

From 28<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> December, Sr Anne Frances was joined by Srs Gill McCambridge and Bernadette Cassidy to deliver a training on the work of VIDES UK to the Salesian Brothers at Savio House, Bollington. This was a wonderful experience of sharing our work and objectives with an international group of people, many of whom were keen to know more or to become involved in some way.

## **FUNDRAISING**

As a non-profit charity, VIDES UK relies on fundraising/donations which allows us to carry out our work within the Salesian ethos.

Throughout 2023 we have held different fundraising events. Throughout March and April our Youth Council held many different events from Race nights to sweet sales. With the money raised from these events, they were able to go on a pilgrimage to Italy, allowing them to visit Salesian places in Mornese & Turin; this was an amazing opportunity for all who took part.

We have past and present volunteers who donate monthly by standing order or direct from employment, to help support the work of VIDES UK.

In December the committee held a fundraising event 'Daily Advent draw' which was an online event. Each person selected a day from 1st -25th, they were then allocated a number for the raffle held on their chosen day. An automated wheel would randomly select a winner, this was recorded each night and shared on social media platforms.

We take the opportunity to thank everyone who has supported the work of VIDES UK. By holding or attending an event, donating raffle prizes, buying raffle tickets or making a donation you made it possible for VIDES UK to continue our work.

We continue our focus on fundraising as we move in to 2024 with many events already in the VIDES calendar...watch this space!

2023 was, like many other years, a successful one in VIDES UK. The post-Covid era has had a huge impact on our volunteer numbers and availability, but we continue to offer as many engaging, relevant and formative experiences as possible to our Volunteers and the young people who attend our projects.

VIDES UK extends its thanks to all those who support, sustain and encourage our work. A special word of thanks must go to the Salesian Sisters for all they do and for all they give to VIDES UK. To the young people and local communities who attend and host our projects we thank you. However, the final and greatest word of thanks must go to all our volunteers who give so much, not only of their time but of themselves. Your commitment to serve young people through VIDES UK is greatly appreciated and never taken for granted. You and the ways you share your many gifts is what makes VIDES UK great and the impact of what you do now will positively influence the lives of the young for many years to come! THANK YOU!

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**Financial Report**

**1<sup>st</sup> January – 31<sup>st</sup>**

**December 2023**

# Financial Report for 1st January – 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023

Income and Expenditure Account Statement of Assets and Liabilities

**Balance as of 1/01/2023: 16,740.78**

## **Income**

VIDES Office General	£0.00
VIDES for Youth	£3,435.00
General Donation	£2,019.00
Subs	£55.00
Promotional Materials	£11.50
Youth Leadership	£3,204.22

Savings Account £ 65.08

**Total Income £8,724.72**

## ***Direct Charitable Expenditure***

VIDES Office General	£1,868.83
Photocopier Expenses	£1,030.78
Phone & Broadband	£284.69
Insurance	£1,142.01
VIDES International	£378.50
Hospitality	£532.15
Vols Travel expenses	0.00
VIDES for Youth	£11,162.41

General Donation	£195.91
Youth Leadership	£7,315.67

**Total Expenditure**

**£23,910.95**

**Balance Breakdown at year end**

Current Account £ 1,554.55  
Savings Account £ 65.05

**Restricted Funds**

Abroad £ 0  
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**Total Restricted Funds**

**£ 0**

**Total Unrestricted Funds**

**£ 1,619.60**

I have examined the accounts for vides UK CIO for 2025 and I find them to be a true and accurate record.

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## Other Optional Information

2022 was a thoroughly successful year in VIDES UK. Following a couple of years of lockdown and post-pandemic issues we were finally ready to relaunch our face to face activities and projects with volunteers and young people.

We began a new residential project called 'ANIMA', designed to give young people that platform to shine as young leaders. ANIMA took place in Pentrenant Hall, Wales from 9<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> April 2022 and saw almost 50 people gather from Scotland, Warrington, St Helen's and Liverpool. One of the fundamental aims within VIDES is to fuel a generation of change. We believe each young person is a protagonist in their own stories and want to give them the tools they need to become Active Citizens, making changes within their communities that will benefit the wider world and our global family. ANIMA offered the opportunity for the young people to participate in workshops around Climate change, Safe Water and Plastic Pollution and then to create their own campaign, educating others about topics they felt passionate about. The young people also had many opportunities to meet cultural, geographical and social diversity as they worked in groups with other young people from around the UK; they participated in organised recreations and team games. Heartfelt thanks must go to David McCormick, Samantha Cantillon and the amazing team of volunteers who planned, prepared and delivered such a meaningful project for our VIDES Youth.



Sr Anne Frances and a group of Volunteers (Maggie Lam, Unathi Btokom, Mollie-Mae Reed & Ellie Creighton) attended the VIDES International Convention in Ciampino, Rome from 30<sup>th</sup> June until 6<sup>th</sup> July. The theme of the Convention was, 'VIDES Culture of Reciprocity, Foundation of the Common Home, Youth Protagonists for Change'. This was an amazing opportunity for our volunteers to participate in VIDES at an International Level, meeting VIDES Volunteers from all over the world. There were opportunities to learn from each other, to share good practice and build collaborative relationships.

Those who attended also had the opportunity to spend a day visiting Rome and managed to attend the Angelus with Pope Francis.

Following the Convention the group met with other volunteers in Kilmarnock, Scotland to run our first VIDES Formation Camp since 2019. This took place in St Matthew's, Kilmarnock. The theme for the young people was, "Rights Here, right Now!" which saw them follow a programme which taught them about their Human Rights and encouraged them to become guardians of those rights for others. The theme for Volunteer Formation was, "I entrust them to you!" as it also coincided with the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Salesian Sisters. The Junior Sessions also had some Young leaders who attended our ANIMA project assist and shadow our volunteers in working with other children. Special thanks to Sr Gill McCambridge for Facilitating the project, Fr. Martin Chambers for hosting us so wonderfully and to Sr Bernadette Cassidy for delivering Volunteer Formation. It was great to be back in Kilmarnock and reconnect with some familiar faces.

The final week of the Summer Holidays saw VIDES return to Pentrenant Hall for ANIMA 2. Again, young people gathered from across the UK to take part in a strong programme which looked at Justice, Homelessness, Mental Health and Democracy (using your voice). Being warmer weather for ANIMA 2 allowed our team to take advantage of facilities such as the Outdoor Swimming Pool and Slip and Slide, which was a firm favourite. The young people who attended ANIMA 2 were also encouraged to own their own leadership in many ways, from participating in the project evaluation to electing our very first VIDES Youth Council made up of young people who participated in both weeks of Anima. This Youth Council represents all the young people involved in VIDES projects and act as an advisory group to our team in order to ensure what we prepare and deliver to our young people stays current, fresh and relevant.



Anima has been a great addition to the work of VIDES UK and the many young people who are involved give us great hope for the future of the charity and the Salesian charism.

Our activities through 2022 were fantastic but could not have taken place without the support of our donors and fundraisers. I would like to extend particular thanks to the Salesian Sisters, Leanne Keegan and Jack Lyon who all helped greatly with our fundraising efforts in 2022. Moving forward we need to look at our Fundraising efforts, encouraging others to take this on board too.

In conclusion, my sincere thanks go to each and every one of our volunteers, including our wonderful Committee who constantly give of their time to serve the young and VIDES. As Elizabeth Andrew once said, *"Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart."* This is certainly true of our VIDES Volunteers who put their heart in to all they do. I would like to thank Sr. Anne Frances, as our Director, for the support and encouragement she gives to each volunteer and project. I give thanks for all the young people who continue to take up the invitation to attend our projects and who will help carry VIDES UK forward and for the constant ongoing support of the Salesian Sisters. Thank you all!

**Laura Whiteley**  
**Chairperson**  
**2022**



**VIDES UK CIO**

**Registered Charity  
Number**

**No: 1166876**

**Financial Report**

**1<sup>st</sup> January – 31<sup>st</sup>**

**December 2022**



**Financial Report for 1st January – 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022**  
**Income and Expenditure Account Statement of Assets and Liabilities**

**Income**

Fundraising for:	
Camp - Children's Subs	£ 77.00
Camp - Trip Contributions	£ 0
Subscriptions:	
Members	£ 105.00
Donations:	
General	£ 2,518.00
For Youth (Anima)	£ 3,345.16
View	£ 0
VIDES Abroad	£ 6,192.07
For You	£ 0
Promotional materials	£ 111.50
Specific Purpose	£ 15.00
Specific Grants	
Provincial Council	£ 10,000

**Miscellaneous Income**

**Total Income** **£ 22,363.73**



**Direct Charitable Expenditure**

Formation Camps:	
• Day to Day	£ 95.27
• Outings	£ 0
• Camp Equipment	£ 17,73
• Travel Expenses of Volunteers	£ 0
• Training of Volunteers - accommodation	£ 0
• Training of Volunteers – Resources	£ 0
Home Projects	
• VIDES For You	£ 0
• VIDES For Youth (Anima)	£ 18,274.73
• VIDES View	£ 0
• VIDES Friends Club	£ 0
• Youth Leadership	£ 0
• Outreach Project	£ 0

**Miscellaneous Expenditure**

Abroad	£ 6,826.55
Administration	£ 2,331.67
Bank Charges and Interest	£ 0
General Donation	£ 300.00
Hospitality	£ 292.13
Insurance	£ 1099.43
International	£ 307.23
Office Equipment	£ 392.00
Paid Worker	£ 0
Paid Worker's Travel Expenses	£ 0
Phone & Broadband	£ 280.68
Photocopier	£ 906.42
Promotional Material	£ 881.60
Specific Donation	£ 0
Team Review	£ 191.27

**Total Expenditure****£ 32,196.71**



**Balance Breakdown at year end**

Current Account	<b>£ £16,740.78</b>
Savings Account	<b>£ 28.19</b>

**Restricted Funds**

Abroad	<b>£ 0</b>
Provincial Council	<b>£ 0</b>

**Total Restricted Funds** **£ 0**

**Total Unrestricted Funds** **£ £16,768.97**

I confirm the income and expenditure figures  
for this annual account dated 1<sup>st</sup> Jan - 31<sup>st</sup> Dec  
2022 are accurate.

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**VIDES UK**

England & Wales - Charity number 1166876

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**VIDES UK (CIO)**

Charity Number: 1166876

**Trustees' Annual Report  
and Financial Report for the Period  
1<sup>st</sup> January 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021**

April 2022



## Reference & Administration Details

**Charity name: VIDES UK (a CIO)**

Charity number: 1166876

Charity's operating address: VIDES UK, 61A Mansion Drive, Croxteth, Liverpool, L11 9DP

### Names of the Charity Trustees who Manage the Charity

<i>Trustee Name</i>	<i>Office</i>	<i>Appointed</i>
1: <b>Sr. Anne Frances McNamee</b>	<b>Director</b>	<b>2016</b>
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7: <b>Leanne Keegan</b>		<b>2021</b>
8: <b>James Fuller</b>		<b>2021</b>
9: <b>Jack Lyon</b>		<b>2021</b>

### Names & Addresses of Advisors

**Bank** – Barclays Bank, 48-50 Lord St, Liverpool, L2 1TD

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**Independent Examiner** – Andrew McGaskill



## Structure, Governance & Management

### Description of the Charity's Trusts

**Type of Governing Document:** Constitution

**How the Charity is Constituted:** Charitable Incorporated Organisation

**Trustee Selection Methods:** Elected by Members

Every charity trustee must be a natural person.

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## Objectives & Activities

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The education, development, and training of children and young men and women for the public benefit including by:

- encouraging and enabling young men and women to undertake voluntary work in accordance with the principles of Don Bosco in education, social service and similar activities in various parts of the world;
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To collaborate and liaise with other voluntary agencies having similar aims

### Summary of the Main Activities Undertaken for the Public Benefit in Relation to the Charity's Objects

Formation, Training and development of Volunteers aged 17+ in order for them to provide services in areas of social and/or economic deprivation around the UK.

Activity weeks, play-schemes and residential experiences for children and young people aged 8-16.



We provide children and young people with an informal education; an opportunity to play and develop new skills; make new friendships and meet diversity in a safe, educative environment. We aim to encourage children and young people to become active citizens in their local area and to make a positive social impact through voluntary activities.

## Other Optional Information

2021 had a difficult start for VIDES UK when it became clear that, due to a renewed lockdown in January – March 2021, our activities postponed from 2020 were less likely to happen again in 2021.

However, our Executive Committee ensured continued good leadership and governance by continuing to hold our Meetings via Zoom. This was the same with any members meetings and VIDES UK activities.

In March 2021 VIDES UK was saddened by the death of Helen McDonald, past Chairperson and dedicated member of VIDES UK. Helen was a huge part of VIDES for many years and always remained a great source of support and encouragement for our volunteers. Our thoughts and prayers go to all her family and friends, she was a wonderful person and will never be forgotten.

Our Committee also completed the NSPCC online training on “Safeguarding for Charity Trustees” and Our Safeguarding Lead participated in relevant training with NSPCC and NCVO for her role which offered relevant updates and guidance in adapting our Safeguarding policy which will be reviewed in April 2022.

In September 2021 many of our volunteers took part in a Virtual Youth Summit which united Salesian young people from the UK, USA, Canada, Kenya and Zambia. This was a wonderful opportunity to share ideas and practices, encounter difference and understand the impact of volunteering has on the world in many realities.

As a result of our virtual sessions “VIDES Voices” held in 2020, which gathered different groups of volunteers together as an opportunity for them to share their hopes and dreams for VIDES and how we could begin to move VIDES forward to keep it relevant to the needs of young people, we responded by developing a new project called ANIMA which will take place in April and August 2022. This will aim to help young people learn more about issues which are important to them in our world and help them learn how to raise awareness of these issues and how to positively contribute to Society through volunteering in their local area.

The VIDES UK Committee worked hard throughout 2021 to rebrand and relaunch VIDES, with the creation of a new logo which remembers the journey made and the path ahead. In October 2021, our Executive Committee was finally able to meet again in person. We had a productive weekend at Barnstondale where we looked at our vision for taking VIDES UK forward in a post pandemic world. This included Safeguarding training, visioning for the way ahead, roles & responsibilities, rebranding VIDES UK and ensuring that the activities and projects we are offering are relevant and formative for both young people and our volunteers.

In November 2021, we officially relaunched VIDES UK via Zoom. Around 80 people from around the UK participated in the relaunch to hear about the work we do, how we can offer support to local communities or individuals and the many ways in which they can become involved in VIDES UK. We also relaunched our Social Media presence. This was an incredibly successful event and marked the beginning of this new era in the VIDES UK story.



As I finish my report I give thanks for each and every one of our volunteers, especially our Committee in this year where lots of the VIDES work happened behind the scenes. I give thanks for our Young Leaders and Volunteers who choose to remain committed to VIDES UK and for the constant ongoing support of the Salesian Sisters. VIDES has worked hard in 2021 to develop ourselves, we look forward to 2022 and the opportunity to put it all in to practice surrounded by our Volunteers, young people and the VIDES magic, together we will make our world a better place! With this in mind, I leave you with the following, "Volunteering is the ultimate exercise in democracy. You vote in elections once a year, but when you volunteer, you vote every day about the kind of community you want to live in." – **Author Unknown**

**Laura Whiteley**  
**Chairperson**  
**2021**



**VIDES UK CIO**

**Registered Charity  
Number**

**No: 1166876**

**Financial Report  
1<sup>st</sup> January – 31<sup>st</sup>  
December 2021**







**Direct Charitable Expenditure**

Formation Camps:	
• Day to Day	£ 0
• Outings	£ 0
• Camp Equipment	£ 0
• Travel Expenses of Volunteers	£ 0
• Training of Volunteers - accommodation	£ 0
• Training of Volunteers – Resources	£
Home Projects	
• VIDES For You	£ 0
• VIDES For Youth	£ 0
• VIDES View	£ 0
• VIDES Friends Club	£ 0
• Youth Leadership	£ 0
• Outreach Project	£ 0

None for 2021 as no projects were able to run given Coronavirus Pandemic

**Miscellaneous Expenditure**

Abroad	£ 0
Administration	£ 1,064.55
Bank Charges and Interest	£ 0
General Donation	£ 0
Hospitality	£ 0
Insurance	£ 1,057.75
International	£ 306.51
Office Equipment	£ 73.62
Paid Worker	£ 0
Paid Worker's Travel Expenses	£ 0
Phone & Broadband	£ 264.70
Photocopier	£ 1,109.55
Promotional Material	£ 553.51
Specific Donation	£ 0
Team Review	£ 973.35

**Total Expenditure****£ 5,403.54**



**Balance Breakdown at year end**

Current Account	£ 28,272.78
Savings Account	£ 28.19

**Restricted Funds**

Abroad	£ 0
Provincial Council	£ 0

**Total Restricted Funds** £ 0

**Total Unrestricted Funds** £ 28,300.97

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reflected in these accounts for the period  
01/01/21 - 31/12/21 are accurate.

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**VIDES UK**

England & Wales - Charity number 1166876

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# Accounts

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**VIDES UK**



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## Other Optional Information

VIDES UK started 2020 well. We welcomed Mariana Moravčíková from VIDES Slovakia. Mariana spent just over 5 weeks in the FMA Community in Beckenham where her service included helping women seeking asylum with English and being present in any way they needed it. The bond between VIDES UK and VIDES Slovakia remains strong with joint commitments to the Formation of volunteers and the opportunities offered to them. I thank Sr. Pat and the Community of Beckenham for their availability to welcome Mariana, to share their home and work with her and for making her experience of voluntary service as enjoyable as possible.

Our Teams began the year focusing on activities and events planned for the year ahead. The UK Projects Team (UKPT) also included those volunteers who would facilitate the Summer projects in both Paisley and Kilmarnock. They planned the theme and activities for the projects and began to look at the Training weekend for our Volunteers. Working alongside the UKPT was our Volunteer Development Team (VDT) started to plan the Formation that our Volunteers would receive throughout 2020. The Youth Development Team (YDT) held a VIDES View Day in Glasgow in February and planned for the annual Youth Weekend which was to take place in March 2020.

However, like many people, charities and businesses around the world, VIDES UK has felt the impact of Covid-19. Restrictions placed upon us through national and regional lockdowns, social distancing and the 'rule of 6' meant that many activities and gatherings planned for 2020 had to be cancelled, postponed or changed.

Our Executive Committee maintained leadership and governance of VIDES UK by still holding our Meetings using Skype and Zoom in order to keep up to date with the latest in Government advice and restrictions.

VIDES UK made a huge effort to reach out to volunteers and young people during the lockdown by using technology to keep connected. We had successful campaigns for Mental health Week where our volunteers shared videos of their own struggles with Mental Health, shared how volunteering helped them, gave tips on how to help Mental Health and also where other young people could access help in times of struggle. This campaign was successful and lots of people engaged with it, highlighting its need and relevance in the current climate. A huge thank you to all those volunteers involved with this campaign, your commitment and willingness to put yourself out there in order to help others did not go unnoticed and was greatly appreciated.

Many of our volunteers also took on the task of hosting online events for both young people and fellow volunteers. From themed Quiz nights to challenges; from Bingo to study tips and from Salesian Goodnights to "Tea and Talk" sessions there was lots of work, enthusiasm and a great desire to continue VIDES activities in a new way. Again, my thanks goes to all those volunteers who planned, prepared, delivered, attended and support any of these events in some way. The commitment and dedication to VIDES UK and the young people we serve was tangible.

We also held some new virtual sessions called "VIDES Voices" which gathered different groups of volunteers together and was an opportunity for them to share their hopes and dreams for VIDES and how we could begin to move VIDES forward to keep it relevant to the needs of young people,

especially the poorest and disadvantaged, as we begin to move forward from the experience of living in and through a pandemic. These sessions provided great food for thought and it was evident that there is a shared desire amongst our volunteers to ensure that we are reaching the needs of those on the peripheries of our society. The feedback from these sessions will help form our action plan and the activities we offer going forward.

Since we were unable to hold our normal summer projects we felt it was important to use the money we would have spent on them to respond to the needs of others who were struggling more than usual due to the financial impact of Covid-19 on families and communities. VIDES UK responded to requests for help and was able to provide food, toys and clothing for children and young people in Kilmarnock, Scotland, Liverpool and in VIDES Philippines.

VIDES UK has been limited in what we could do in 2020 but we have tried to reach out as much as possible to ensure that we can continue to help those in most need. As we move towards 2021 it is still unclear about what events and projects we will be able to offer but we aim to use the time to focus on building a deeper awareness of the identity of a VIDES Volunteer and to explore the many different ways of reaching the poorest and most disadvantaged young people in our society. Covid-19 caused many things to be cancelled but never our commitment to each other, the young and the poor.

As I finish my report on what was a year like no other, not just for VIDES UK but for the world, I give thanks for each and every one of our volunteers, for the young people who stayed with us, for the local communities where we have served and for the constant ongoing support of the Salesian Sisters. I echo the words of Pope Francis: *"From this crisis we can come out better or worse. We can slide backward, or we can create something new."* VIDES UK is committed to come out of the Pandemic better and I look forward to seeing what new things we create TOGETHER!

**Laura Whiteley**  
**Chairperson**  
**2020**

**VIDES UK CIO**

**Registered Charity  
Number  
No: 1166876**

**Financial Report  
1<sup>st</sup> January – 31<sup>st</sup>  
December 2020**



**Financial Report for 1st January – 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020**  
**Income and Expenditure Account Statement of Assets and Liabilities**

**Income**

Fundraising for:	
Camp - Children's Subs	£ 0
Camp - Trip Contributions	£ 0
Subscriptions:	
Members	£ 185
Donations:	
General	£ 11,448.75
For Youth	£ 0
View	£ 0
VIDES Friends	£ 0
For You	£ 0
Specific Purpose	£ 0
Specific Grants	
Provincial Council	£ 0

**Miscellaneous Income**

None for 2020 as no projects were able to run given Coronavirus Pandemic

Interest on Savings Account £ 28.19

**Total Income £ 11,661.94**



**Direct Charitable Expenditure**

Formation Camps:	
• Day to Day	£ 0
• Outings	£ 0
• Camp Equipment	£ 0
• Travel Expenses of Volunteers	£ 0
• Training of Volunteers - accommodation	£ 0
• Training of Volunteers – Resources	£ 24
Home Projects	
• VIDES For You	£ 0
• VIDES For Youth	£ 360
• VIDES View	£ 0
• VIDES Friends Club	£ 0
• Youth Leadership	£ 0
• Outreach Project	£ 0

**Miscellaneous Expenditure**

Abroad	£ 0
Administration	£ 683.84
Bank Charges and Interest	£ 36
General Donation	£ 1,039
Hospitality	£ 331.24
Insurance	£ 1,032.06
International	£ 318.53
Office Equipment	£ 629.89
Paid Worker	£ 0
Paid Worker's Travel Expenses	£ 5.60
Phone & Broadband	£ 265.80
Photocopier	£ 1,126.61
Promotional Material	£ 0
Specific Donation	£ 1,100
Team Review	£ 0

**Total Expenditure****£ 6,952.57**



**Balance Breakdown at year end**

Current Account	£ 22,367.32
Savings Account	£ 28.19

**Restricted Funds**

Abroad	£ 0
Provincial Council	£ 0

<b>Total Restricted Funds</b>	<b>£ 0</b>
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<b>Total Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>£ 22,395.51</b>
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I can confirm that the accounts provided match the figures shown on the financials and are a true reflection of the accounting for this period.



