



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01/10/2022 Period start date To 30/09/2023 Period end date

Charity name: BANGLADESH MISSION UK

Charity registration number: 1167298

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p><b>Our objectives as contained in our Constitution/Governing Document are as follows:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>1) To provide financial help and support to very poor and underprivileged children and young people through our sponsorship in education scheme in developing countries i.e., Bangladesh, Kenya and the Philippines.</b></li><li><b>2) We also seek to provide medical treatments and procedures as well as support and advice on health issues through our Mobile Clinic work, mainly in Bangladesh and Kenya.</b></li><li><b>3) We provide small scale emergency relief aid and assistance in times of need mainly in these countries.</b></li></ol>
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p><b>The expansion of the Shop premises last year significantly bolstered the organisation's ability to sustain the level of our support overseas this year. However, as the trustees have now decided, due to the health issues of one of our Trustees and the resignation of another, to reluctantly close our Charity Shop operation in December 2023, which was the main source of income for the Charity. This will mean that next year will inevitably see a scaling down of all our work overseas.</b></p> <p><b>This year had seen an increase in medical treatments and procedures which seemed to have been the greatest need at the time.</b></p>

		<p>The increase in the number of children we supported last year, will be maintained until the end of the next financial year 2023-24, after which we envisage a reduction in operations of the charity itself and eventual closing of our overseas work.</p> <p>We continue our solar energy project providing electricity to poor homes in Southern Bangladesh and Kenya.</p> <p>We increased our financial support again to Dorcas Ministries International. We are privileged to be in partnership with Dr and Mrs Edgerton, supporting their work in Kenya and Africa.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<p>All the Trustees are aware with regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on the public benefit. Due to the closure of our Charity Shop at the end of December 2023 and the circumstances leading to that decision, we have not been able to attend any of the courses offered by the Charity Commission this year. We will endeavour to do so in the coming months to help us to improve and further our knowledge and awareness of our responsibilities currently as Trustees.</p>

#### **Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	The trustees have decided in light of our recent decision to scale down our overseas work in the coming year, to postpone any decision on grant making at this time.
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	The continuing hard work and support of our dedicated volunteers has been invaluable this year in the areas of office administration and IT operations. The day-to-day running of the Charity Shop has been supported by the hard work of our volunteers up until our closure in December 2023. Through their contribution the Charity has been able to maintain its ongoing work in the countries where we operate.
Other		N/A

## Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p><b>We continue our financial support for a number of students, including 40 in Bangladesh, and 10 college/university students in the Philippines. This has improved the educational outcomes and career prospects of these young people.</b></p> <p><b>Our Medical Support work continues mainly in Bangladesh with 7 treatments and medical operations this past financial year: including a second follow up operation for a hydrocephalic child to remove fluid from the brain, the provision of wheelchair and other aids, etc. – all of which have improved the quality of life of the patients.</b></p> <p><b>We have continued our financial support and cooperation with Dorcas Ministries International, by supporting them financially in the expansion of their school building, dormitory extension, and kitchen refurbishment, contributing £2,948 in total towards the cost of these projects. This has significantly improved the educational environment, and living standards of the students, by providing better facilities.</b></p>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	N/A
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	N/A
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		N/A

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<p><b>At the end of the financial year 2022-2023 our total income was £27,698.97. After deducting Shop costs and expenses of £24,494.84, we had a small surplus of £3,204.13. Our overseas Projects support/expenditure in Bangladesh, Kenya and the Philippines for this period amounted to just over £9,000 of which £6,052.34 was taken from the previous year's surplus.</b></p>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<p><b>We are holding the reserves for disaster appeals and emergencies in the countries where we work.</b></p> <p><b>At the end of each financial year we hold the remaining surplus/reserves for use as and when a need arises during the course of the next financial year.</b></p> <p><b>In this period 2022-23, we had to draw on our reserves to meet our current financial commitments for overseas work which had been undermined by the Charity's expedient decision to close down.</b></p>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<b>Approximately £12,000</b>
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	<b>N/A</b>
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	<b>N/A</b>
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	<p><b>The continued work of our Charity Shop was met with considerable challenges in the last financial period. We have however reported positive results for this financial period, with a healthy reserve of approximately £12,000 and a small surplus of just over £3,000, which has enabled us to sustain our work overseas for another year.</b></p> <p><b>We have had several extenuating circumstances which have had a significant impact on our ability to maintain the day-to-day work of our charity i.e. organisational capacity and fewer volunteers. Specifically, our Charity Shop manager, who is also a Trustee for the charity, deteriorated in health, leading to a curtailment of our operating hours and opening days this year, the result of this was a reduction in our income by as much as 40%.</b></p>

		<p>In addition to this, we have had the resignation of one of our trustees due to his work commitments and have been unable to successfully attract more trustees. Our plans to host an open day were put on hold again since last year. The two remaining trustees have concerns going forward given these circumstances and have therefore decided to downsize our operations overseas and with the intention of closing the Charity altogether.</p>
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#### **Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	<p><b>The Charity's principal sources of funds are mainly generated from the sale of second-hand goods in our Charity Shop. We also receive individual cash donations from customers and supporters. We do not canvass financial support or fundraise by any other methods or means.</b></p>
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	<b>N/A</b>
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	<b>N/A</b>
Other		<b>N/A</b>

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	<b>Trust Deed</b>
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	<b>Unincorporated Association</b>
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	<b>Trustees are appointed by the Director / Chairman of the Charity. This responsibility is by the full agreement and consent of the remaining Trustee/Trustees.</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Bangladesh Mission UK
Other name the charity uses	Trading As Compassion Charity Shop
Registered charity number	1167298
Charity's principal address	18 Railway Street, Lisburn, County Antrim, Northern Ireland, BT28 1XG United Kingdom.

### **Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	David J. Campbell	Director/Chairman	April 2015 to present	David J. Campbell
2	(Vacant)	Secretary	1 <sup>st</sup> May 2024 to present	
3	Alice Campbell	Treasurer	March 2020 to present	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

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## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	No assets held in this capacity.
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

#### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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## Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

None

## Other optional information

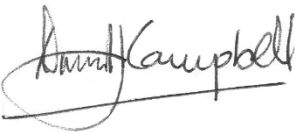

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	David James Campbell	Alice Campbell
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chairman/Director	Treasurer
Date	11/07/2024	11/07/2024

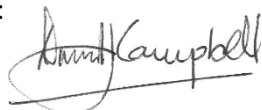
## Compassion Charity Shop

### Balance Sheet

01 October 2022 – 30 September 2023

<u>Income</u>	<u>GBP</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>GBP</u>
Shop Sales	23,190.16	Rent	10,800.00
Book Sales	2,193.03	Salaries	5,408.00
Counter Donations	1,045.07	Electricity	1,564.68
Individual Donations	395.18	Heating Oil	1,005.00
Recycling Income	558.25	Water Charges	805.40
Sponsorship	314.22	Telephone Internet Charges	425.42
Bank Interest	3.06	Building Insurance	390.91
		Miscellaneous Shop Expenses	1,974.34
		Shop Vehicle Cost	1,165.04
		Office Petty Cash Expenses	206.55
		Trustee Expenses	749.50
TOTAL	27,698.97	TOTAL	24,494.84
Opening Balance	0.00	Total Surplus	3,204.13
Total Income	27,698.97	Total expenditure	27,698.97

Signed:



Printed Name: David J Campbell

Position: Charity Director/Trustee

Date: 24<sup>th</sup> June, 2024

Signed:

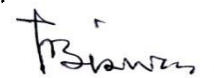


Printed Name: Alice Campbell

Position: Hon Treasurer/Trustee

Date: 24<sup>th</sup> June, 2024

Checked/signed:



Printed Name: Martin Sailkat Biswas

Position: Competent Person

Date: 24<sup>th</sup> June, 2024



## Section A

## Independent Examiner's Report

### Report to the trustees

Charity Name

Bangladesh Mission UK

### On accounts for the year ended

2022-2023

**Charity no  
(if any)**

1167298

### Set out on pages

N/A

(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 **30 / 09 / 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

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:**

**Date:**

24<sup>th</sup> June 2024

**Name:**

Martin Saikat Biswas

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

FCGA (Fellow member of Certified General Accountants of Bangladesh). CPA (Certified Public Accountant) Membership #39279414A. Certified Public Accountants Association (CPAA)

<b>Address:</b>	C/o. Sr. Manager - Internal Audit; HEED Bangladesh.
	Main Road. Plot # 19, Block -A. Section 11.
	Mirpur. Dhaka 1216. Bangladesh.

## 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.**

Nothing to report