

CARE UK Charity

England & Wales · Charity number 1167299

Details

Other names CHARITY AND RECYCLING ENTERPRISE UK, CARE UK

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2016-05-24

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

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ARE:1) THE PREVENTION OR RELIEF OF POVERTY IN SUCH PARTS OF THE WORLD AS THE TRUSTEES SHALL DETERMINE BY PROVIDING: GRANTS, ITEMS AND SERVICES TO INDIVIDUALS IN NEED AND/OR CHARITIES, OR OTHER ORGANISATIONS WORKING TO PREVENT OR RELIEVE POVERTY.2) SUCH CHARITABLE PURPOSES FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT AS ARE EXCLUSIVELY CHARITABLE ACCORDING TO THE LAWS OF ENGLAND AND WALES AS THE TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME DETERMINE.

Activities: To prevent and relieve poverty and hardship and protect the vulnerable in such parts of the world as the Trustees shall determine by providing grants, items and services to individuals in need and/or charities, or other organisations, working to prevent or relieve poverty. Such charitable purposes for the public benefit as the Trustees may from time to time determine.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Overseas Aid/famine Relief
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-05-31	£469,707	£467,015	-	-
2024-05-31	£402,740	£472,858	-	-
2023-05-31	£472,760	£529,414	-	-
2022-05-31	£576,082	£630,614	£241,992	21
2021-05-31	£520,700	£353,976	£296,524	17

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Christopher Mark Ross	Chair	2021-07-17
Alison Kathryn Charlotte Collins		2021-07-17
HELEN SPEED		2017-07-01
JOHN ALAN STOTT		2017-07-01
Mohammad Abdul Waheed		2019-03-13

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**Report and Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 May 2025**

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The Trustees who have served during the period covered by this report and to date were:

Alison Collins	
Diane Hubbard	Resigned 19 May 2025
Christopher Ross	
Helen Speed	
John Stott	
Mohammad Abdul Waheed	

Structure and Governance

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The constitution was amended on 21 September 2019 when the name of the charity was changed from “Charity and Recycling Enterprise UK” to “CARE UK Charity”.

The day-to-day administration of CARE UK Charity is carried out by a small management team led by our General Manager along with our highly committed team of staff and volunteers.

We are extremely grateful to our volunteers and supporters without whose generous donations of time and practical support we would be unable to achieve our objectives.

The Trustees acknowledge their duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and ensure that appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

Objectives and Activities

The objectives of CARE UK are:

- To prevent and relieve poverty and hardship and protect the vulnerable in such parts of the world as the Trustees shall determine by providing grants, items and services to individuals in need and/or charities, or other organisations, working to prevent or relieve poverty.
- The relief of those in need suffering hardship across the world providing such persons with goods which they could not otherwise afford.
- Such charitable purposes for the public benefit as are exclusively charitable according to the Laws of England and Wales as the Trustees may from time to time determine.

Achievements and Performance

Mission

Our principal mission remains the same – to collect items that are no longer wanted whether they be clothes, furniture, household items etc and pass these on to people in need. Where items cannot be used in this way, we sell them in our shops in order to raise funds to purchase aid.

Retail activity

During the year we used our shops to raise funds for our work and to serve as donation stations. The year was another challenging one, as has been the case for many retailers on the High Street in the United Kingdom.

We have settled in well to both stores after moving from the Cockhedge centre. The Runcorn store is now well established with a loyal customer base. The Warrington store has expanded its floor space and reorganised the depot area.

Overseas aid.

When the charity started, we were able send containers of aid to organisations overseas supporting refugees. However, our ability to do this is no longer possible due to a combination of factors.

However, during the year, yet again, we were pleased to be able to collect donations of aid to be sent to Ukraine. Our practical donations were given to Steve Holland from The Children of Ukraine Project who travelled to Ukraine to deliver the much-needed aid to innocent children caught up in the war.

Homes Team

Our Homes Team continued to help and support those in need in our community who were referred to us by a range of partners including Warrington Borough Council, CAB, local social landlords and other charities. This formed a major part of our offering to the community. The number of referrals

continued to increase demonstrating the need that continues to grow. We were able to provide furniture, household goods, baby equipment and toys to help individuals and families who have been provided with accommodation but had little or no material possessions.

Our mission is to ensure that no one in our community goes without the essential items they need to live with dignity and comfort. By providing furniture, clothing, and household essentials, we aim to create lasting change where it matters most.

Our support extends to those facing bed poverty, the cost-of-living crisis, victims of domestic abuse, refugees and those with mental health struggles. Whether through our partnerships or community outreach, we work to build hope for a brighter tomorrow.

Refugees and Asylum Seekers

Asylum Seekers continue to be housed in local hotels and dispersed accommodation in local communities, and we provided practical support mainly the provision of clothing, hygiene products, baby equipment, toys and suitcases responding to requests from the agencies working with the refugees and asylum seekers.

Once people receive leave to remain and become refugees, we support them when they eventually move into their own accommodation by offering the support of our Homes Team to furnish their new homes.

Volunteers and employees

Our charity very much depends upon our amazing team of volunteers who continued to give generously of their time and energies, to further our work. They helped us to collect and sort donations and distribute this aid with the support of our committed and hard-working staff who faced and rose to many challenges during the year.

Although we continued to have a core body of volunteers to sort donations and work in the stores, maintaining sufficient volunteers requires ongoing attention and action.

We were sad at the end of May to say goodbye to Liz Wareing, our General Manager, after her nine years involvement with the charity. We wish her a long and happy retirement.

Dianne Hubbard resigned as a Trustee on 19 May 2025 and was appointed General Manager starting at the beginning of June 2025.

Our mission statement is: "providing essentials to improve the lives of others" and we continue to strive to use our resources to achieve our mission

Financial Review

The following statements set out the financial position of CARE UK Charity for the year ended 31 May 2025.

Our principal source of income for the year was profits from our two shops in Riverside Retail Park, Warrington and Runcorn Shopping City. Both shops performed well and our combined retail activities yielded a net profit for the year of £96,206.

Unfortunately, our donations and other charitable income were down on the previous year which was quite likely caused by the challenging economic climate as people have less disposable income to donate to support good causes. Also, the amounts paid to us by recycling companies for clothing that we could neither use nor sell continued to fall due to falling textile prices.

However, the requests to support those in need rose significantly during the year and we strove to make the best use of our resources to support as many individuals as we could.

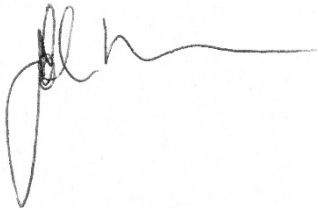
The net result was that we finished the year with a surplus on our general fund of £6,740.

Our general reserves at the year end amounted to £117,912.

The Trustees have adopted a Reserves Policy to maintain reserves equal to approximately three months of the running costs of the organisation to ensure the charity can withstand any unforeseen financial challenges. This is currently deemed to be approximately £110,000. The Trustees want to ensure that any surplus funds in excess of this amount are put to good use in helping those in need.

The Trustees declare that they have approved this report and financial statements for the year to 31 May 2025.

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John A Stott', written over a faint, light-colored circular stamp or watermark.

John A Stott
Treasurer and Trustee
7 March 2026

CARE UK Charity

Charity number: 1167299

Independent Examiners Report for the year ended 31 May 2025

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of CARE UK Charity for the year ended 31 May 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters.

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 giving me any 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.



Jonathan Rigby FCA
Rigby Lennon & Co

26 March 2026

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Summary of Income and Expenditure for the year ended 31 May 2025

	Year ended 31 May 2025		Year ended 31 May 2024	
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £
Income				
Income from retail activity	410,152	-	336,848	-
Charitable income	59,555	-	65,892	-
Total income	469,707	-	402,740	-
Expenditure				
Expenditure on retail activity	313,946	-	299,535	-
Charitable expenditure	149,021	4,048	173,323	-
Total expenditure	462,967	4,048	472,858	-
Net surplus / (deficit) for the period	6,740	(4,048)	(70,118)	-
Accumulated surplus brought forward	111,172	4,048	181,290	4,048
Net reserves at 31 May 2025	117,912	-	111,172	4,048

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Profit and loss account for retail activity for year ended 31 May 2025

	Year ended 31 May 2025	Year ended 31 May 2024
	£	£
Income		
Shop sales	410,152	336,848
Total income	<u>410,152</u>	<u>336,848</u>
Expenses		
Property expenses	64,801	64,539
Wages and pensions	224,225	206,685
Vehicle and transport costs	7,376	8,401
Finance charges	4,469	3,442
General expenses	13,075	16,468
Depreciation	-	-
Total expenses	<u>313,946</u>	<u>299,535</u>
Net profit from retail activity	<u><u>96,206</u></u>	<u><u>37,313</u></u>

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Detailed Income and Expenditure account for the year ended 31 May 2025

	Year ended 31 May 2025		Year ended 31 May 2024	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Profit from retail activity	96,206	-	37,313	-
Donations from individuals	29,179	-	23,166	-
Donations from groups and organisations	6,168	-	4,452	-
Legacies	-	-	12,572	-
Gift Aid claimed	10,793	-	6,950	-
Fundraising activities	112	-	5,670	-
Recycling of goods	10,840	-	10,764	-
Other income	243	-	146	-
Bank interest	2,015	-	2,172	-
Profit on disposal of fixed assets	205	-	-	-
Total income	155,761	-	103,205	-
Expenditure				
Overseas aid	1,059	-	550	-
Donations to aid organisations overseas	-	-	1,000	-
Support for refugees and families in UK	20,142	-	28,780	-
Homes team costs	37,297	-	44,421	-
Food Bank	-	-	182	-
Flood relief	-	4,048	-	-
Vehicle and transport expenses	6,035	-	6,221	-
Premises costs	-	-	-	-
Wages and pensions	77,486	-	83,566	-
General expenses	4,102	-	5,703	-
Depreciation (Note 1)	2,900	-	2,900	-
Total expenditure	149,021	4,048	173,323	-
Net surplus / (deficit) for the period	6,740	(4,048)	(70,118)	-
Accumulated surplus brought forward	111,172	4,048	181,290	4,048
Net reserves at 31 May 2025	117,912	-	111,172	4,048

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Balance sheet at 31 May 2025

	Balance at 31 May 2025	Balance at 31 May 2024
	£	£
FIXED ASSETS		
Motor vehicles (Note 1)	725	3,625
CURRENT ASSETS		
Trade debtors	2,076	1,127
Prepayments	5,735	4,266
Other debtors	10,125	2,486
Bank current accounts	11,911	16,462
Bank deposit accounts	138,434	130,764
PayPal account	390	2,518
Cash in hand	2,083	1912
VAT repayable	3,304	5,210
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TOTAL ASSETS	174,783	168,370
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CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accruals	6,871	3,150
Long term loan	50,000	50,000
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	56,871	53,150
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TOTAL NET ASSETS AT 31 MAY 2025	117,912	115,220
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Represented by:		
Unrestricted Funds	117,172	111,172
Restricted Funds	-	4,048
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TOTAL NET RESERVES AT 31 MAY 2025	117,912	115,220
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Notes to the accounts for year ended 31 May 2025

1. Fixed Assets

	Motor vehicles
	£
COST	
As at 1 June 2024	16,600
Additions during the year	-
Disposals during the year	-
As at 31 May 2025	<u>16,600</u>
DEPRECIATION	
As at 1 June 2024	12,975
Charge for the year	2,900
Disposals during the year	-
As at 31 May 2025	<u>15,875</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
As at 1 June 2024	<u>3,625</u>
As at 31 May 2025	<u>725</u>

Depreciation on motor vehicles is provided at an annual rate of 25% on a straight-line basis to write off the asset over its estimated useful life.

2. Trustee remuneration

During the year, no Trustee received any remuneration. No members of the Board of Trustees received reimbursement of travel or subsistence expenses during the year.

3. Related party transactions

During the year there were no related party transactions.

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Retail activity

During the year we used our shops to raise funds for our work and to serve as donation stations. The year was a challenging one, as has been the case for many retailers on the High Street in the United Kingdom.

In Spring 2023 we received notice to vacate the properties in Cockhedge Centre in Warrington that we were using as the landlord wanted to redevelop the site and part of the Centre was to be demolished. We vacated the properties in July 2023 and were able to secure a property in Riverside Retail Park in Warrington which we use as our Home Store and More and as a donation station and base for our operations. In November 2023 we leased a unit in Runcorn Shopping City and in January 2024 we opened a shop to raise funds to support our work.

Overseas aid.

When the charity started we were able send containers of aid to organisations overseas supporting refugees. However, our ability to do this is no longer possible due to a combination of factors.

However, during the year we were pleased to be able to collect donations of aid to be sent to Ukraine. Our practical donations were given to Steve Holland from The Children of Ukraine Project who travelled to Ukraine to deliver the much needed aid to innocent children caught up in the war.

Homes Team

Our Homes Team continued to help and support those in need in our community who were referred to us by Social Services, the Probation Service and other charities. This formed a major part of our offering to the community. The number of referrals continued to increase demonstrating the need that exists in our community. We were able to provide furniture and household goods to help individuals and families who have been provided with accommodation but had little or no material possessions.

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Our support extends to those facing bed poverty, the cost-of-living crisis, victims of domestic abuse and those with mental health struggles. Whether through our partnerships or community outreach, we work to build hope for a brighter tomorrow.

Refugees

Refugees continue to be housed in local hotels, and we provided practical support mainly the provision of clothing and hygiene products responding to requests from the agencies working with the refugees and asylum seekers.

Our service to the refugees continued to include Pop Up Dignity Shops, where refugees are given vouchers so that they can choose clothes and hygiene goods for themselves and advocacy support to improve services within the settings in which they are housed.

Foodbank

During the COVID pandemic we established a foodbank to provide weekly food parcels to support families whose income had dropped significantly because of lockdown and was particularly focused on those families who were excluded from national support schemes, such as sole traders. In June 2023 we decided that the local Food Bank in Warrington was better equipped to offer this service to the remaining clients and a plan was developed to transfer the service to them.

Volunteers and employees

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Financial Review

The following statements set out the financial position of CARE UK Charity for the year ended 31 May 2024.

The closure of our two retail stores in Cockhedge Centre, Warrington in July 2023 presented our retail operation with a major challenge. A great deal of time and energy was expended in setting up our new depot and shop in Riverside Retail Park which opened in July 2023.

For six months of the year, we operated only one shop but were delighted to open our shop in Runcorn Shopping City in January 2024. Our retail sales were therefore down considerably compared to the previous year but we finished the year with both shops generating profits to fund our ongoing charitable work. Our retail activities yielded a net profit for the year of £37,313.

Unfortunately, our donations and other charitable income were down on the previous year which was quite likely caused by the challenging economic climate as people have less disposable income to donate to support good causes. Also, the amounts paid to us by recycling companies for clothing that we could neither use nor sell continued to fall due to falling textile prices.

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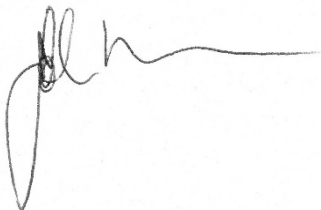
The net result was that we sustained a deficit on our general fund of £70,118 for the year. Thankfully we had built up reserves in previous years and were able to cover this deficit from our accumulated reserves.

Our general reserves at the year end amounted to £111,172.

The Trustees have adopted a Reserves Policy to maintain reserves equal to approximately three months of the running costs of the organisation to ensure the charity can withstand any unforeseen financial challenges. This is currently deemed to be approximately £100,000. The Trustees want to ensure that our surplus funds are put to good use in helping those in need.

The Trustees declare that they have approved this report and financial statements for the year to 31 May 2024.

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees

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John A Stott
Treasurer and Trustee
24 March 2025

CARE UK Charity

Charity number: 1167299

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Jonathan Rigby FCA
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25 March 2025

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Profit and loss account for retail activity for year ended 31 May 2024

	Year ended 31 May 2024	Year ended 31 May 2023
	£	£
Income		
Shop sales	336,848	400,276
Total income	<u>336,848</u>	<u>400,276</u>
Expenses		
Property expenses	64,539	46,122
Wages and pensions	206,685	192,635
Vehicle and transport costs	8,401	14,906
Finance charges	3,442	4,195
General expenses	16,468	12,208
Depreciation	-	3,918
Total expenses	<u>299,535</u>	<u>273,984</u>
Net profit from retail activity	<u><u>37,313</u></u>	<u><u>126,292</u></u>

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Income and Expenditure account for the year ended 31 May 2024

	Year ended 31 May 2024		Year ended 31 May 2023	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Profit from retail activity	37,313	-	126,292	-
Donations from individuals	23,166	-	29,799	-
Donations from groups and organisations	4,452	-	13,642	-
Legacies	12,572	-	-	-
Gift Aid claimed	6,950	-	1,323	-
Fundraising activities	5,670	-	8,475	-
Recycling of goods	10,764	-	16,783	-
Other income	146	-	1,876	-
Bank interest	2,172	-	586	-
Total income	103,205	-	198,776	-
Expenditure				
Overseas aid	550	-	7,141	-
Donations to aid organisations overseas	1,000	-	4,750	28,602
Support for refugees and families in UK	28,780	-	63,547	-
Homes team costs	44,421	-	44,578	-
Food Bank	182	-	3,936	-
Flood relief	-	-	-	11,999
Vehicle and transport expenses	6,221	-	9,778	-
Premises costs	-	-	613	-
Wages and pensions	83,566	-	69,012	-
General expenses	5,703	-	7,328	204
Depreciation (Note 1)	2,900	-	3,942	-
Total expenditure	173,323	-	214,625	40,805
Net surplus / (deficit) for the period	(70,118)	-	(15,849)	(40,805)
Accumulated surplus brought forward	181,290	4,048	197,139	44,853
Transfer to Restricted Funds	-	-	-	-
Net reserves at 31 May 2024	111,172	4,048	181,290	4,048

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Balance sheet at 31 May 2024

	Balance at 31 May 2024	Balance at 31 May 2023
	£	£
FIXED ASSETS		
Motor vehicles (Note 1)	3,625	6,525
CURRENT ASSETS		
Trade debtors	1,127	4,002
Prepayments	4,266	1,208
Other debtors	2,486	335
Bank current accounts	16,462	15,090
Bank deposit accounts	130,764	223,733
PayPal account	2,518	1,355
Cash in hand	1912	1,033
VAT repayable	5,210	1,605
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TOTAL ASSETS	168,370	254,886
	=====	=====
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accruals	3,150	19,548
Long term loan	50,000	50,000
	_____	_____
TOTAL LIABILITIES	53,150	69,548
	=====	=====
TOTAL NET ASSETS AT 31 MAY 2024	115,220	185,338
	=====	=====
Represented by:		
Unrestricted Funds	111,172	181,290
Restricted Funds	4,048	4,048
	_____	_____
TOTAL NET RESERVES AT 31 MAY 2024	115,220	185,338
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CARE UK Charity

Notes to the accounts for year ended 31 May 2024

1. Fixed Assets

	Motor vehicles
	£
COST	
As at 1 June 2023	16,600
Additions during the year	-
Disposals during the year	-
As at 31 May 2024	<u>16,600</u>
DEPRECIATION	
As at 1 June 2023	10,075
Charge for the year	2,900
Disposals during the year	-
As at 31 May 2024	<u>12,975</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
As at 1 June 2023	6,525
As at 31 May 2024	<u>3,625</u>

Depreciation on motor vehicles is provided at an annual rate of 25% on a straight-line basis to write off the asset over its estimated useful life.

Depreciation on fixtures and fittings is provided over their anticipated useful life.

2. Trustee remuneration

During the year, no Trustee received any remuneration. No members of the Board of Trustees received reimbursement of travel or subsistence expenses during the year.

3. Related party transactions

During the year there were no related party transactions.

CARE UK Charity

England & Wales - Charity number 1167299

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CARE UK Charity

Charity number: 1167299

**Report and Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 May 2023**

CARE UK Charity

Charity number: 1167299

Trustees Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 May 2023

The Trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 May 2023.

Administrative and contact details

The registered office of CARE UK Charity is: The Annexe, Walton Lodge
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CARE UK Charity can be contacted by email: info@careukcharity.org.uk

Our website address is: www.careukcharity.org.uk/

Contact with supporters and volunteers, including requests for help in both material and practical ways, is principally achieved through our Facebook page which can be found at: www.facebook.com/groups/careukcharity/

The Trustees who have served during the period covered by this report and to date were:

Alison Collins	
Kate Farnell	Retired April 2023
Diane Hubbard	
Christopher Ross	
Helen Speed	
John Stott	
Mohammad Abdul Waheed	

Structure and Governance

The charity was first established as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation under a constitution on 31 January 2016. Charitable status was recognised by the Charity Commission on 24 May 2016.

The constitution was amended on 21 September 2019 when the name of the charity was changed from “Charity and Recycling Enterprise UK” to “CARE UK Charity”.

The day-to-day administration of CARE UK Charity is carried out by a small management team along with our highly committed team of staff and volunteers.

We are extremely grateful to our volunteers and supporters without whose generous donations of time and practical support we would be unable to achieve our objectives.

The Trustees acknowledge their duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and ensure that appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

Objectives and Activities

The objectives of CARE UK are:

- To prevent and relieve poverty and hardship and protect the vulnerable in such parts of the world as the Trustees shall determine by providing grants, items and services to individuals in need and/or charities, or other organisations, working to prevent or relieve poverty.
- The relief of those in need suffering hardship across the world providing such persons with goods which they could not otherwise afford.
- Such charitable purposes for the public benefit as are exclusively charitable according to the Laws of England and Wales as the Trustees may from time to time determine.

Achievements and Performance

Mission

Our principal mission remains the same – to collect items that are no longer wanted whether they be clothes, furniture, household items etc and pass these on to people in need. Where items cannot be used in this way, we sell them in our shops in order to raise funds to purchase aid. During the year we used our two shops in Warrington and until June in Northwich, to raise funds for our work and to serve as donation stations.

The year has been challenging, as has been the case for many retailers on the High Street in the United Kingdom. Following the notice to vacate our Northwich store when the lease was ended by the landlord, a further two of our major stores in Warrington came under notice to vacate in July 2023, as they were to be demolished. We continued to trade in both retail outfits and to source replacement stores and were in the process of negotiating leases at our year end.

Overseas aid.

Our ability to send containers of aid to organisations overseas supporting refugees continued to be curtailed during the year due to a combination of factors. We made the decision to draw a temporary line under overseas aid, as there were still too many unknowns.

These included the costs associated with shipping, which had risen dramatically and the effects of Brexit, which brought further complications with increased administrative paperwork and the requirement to pay significant taxes on arrival at EU countries as a third-party country. It did mean,

however, that we could focus our efforts on the work at home including the Homes Team, asylum seekers and Afghan refugees. We tried sending a container to Uganda, however, it had a troubled time reaching the intended community, as it was waylaid by people intending to steal the contents. It did eventually reach our desired recipients, but it was felt to be uneconomic and too risky to take this route again due to the uncertainties that it would arrive.

Volunteers

The charity very much depends upon our amazing team of volunteers who continued to give generously of their time and energies, to further our work. They helped us to collect and sort donations and distribute this aid including medical equipment and supplies, clothing and hygiene products, to groups and organisations requiring our help.

Although we continued to have a core body of volunteers to sort donations and work in the stores, maintaining sufficient volunteers required ongoing attention and action.

Foodbank

Our Foodbank, which was established at the start of the first lockdown, continued to provide weekly food parcels to support families whose income had dropped significantly as a result of lockdown and was particularly focused on those families who were excluded from national support schemes, such as sole traders. During the year we decided that the local Food Bank in Warrington was better equipped to offer this service to the remaining residents and a plan was developed to transfer the service to them.

Homes Team

Our Homes Team continued to help and support those in need in our community who were referred to us by Social Services, the Probation Service and other charities. This formed a major part of our offering to the community. The number of referrals gradually started to increase again to pre-pandemic levels. We were able to provide furniture and household goods to help those who have been provided with accommodation but had little or no material possessions.

Examples of Homes Team support during the year were:

- 420 referrals- involving 504 adults and 496 children
- 89 with nothing, 80 needed quite a lot of items, rest just a few items
- 225 beds, bedding for 243 and quilts for 210
- 105 sofas, 57 two ring burners and 116 microwaves
- 180 wardrobes or hanging rails and rugs to 30 families
- 37 fridges/freezers
- 27 washing machines and 16 TV's

Refugees

Refugees continue to be housed in local hotels and those of neighbouring Cheshire. Our service to the refugees continues to include Pop Up Dignity Shops, where refugees are given vouchers so that they can choose clothes and hygiene goods for themselves and advocacy support to improve services within the settings in which they are housed.

Our mission statement is: "providing essentials to improve the lives of others" and we continue to strive to use our resources to achieve our mission

Financial Review

The following statements set out the financial position of CARE UK Charity for the year ended 31 May 2023.

The closure of our retail store in Northwich in June 2022 presented our retail operation with a major challenge. However, our two remaining stores in Warrington traded very successfully, with turnover up in each store on the previous year, and we were able to achieve a net profit from retail for the year of £126,292.

Unfortunately, our donations and other charitable income was down on the previous year which was quite likely caused by the challenging economic climate as people have less disposable income to donate to support good causes.

As we were no longer in a position to send containers of donated aid abroad as was explained above our expenditure in this area was considerably less than in previous years. However, the requests to support those in need closer to home rose significantly.

Our Homes Team spent considerably more helping individuals referred to us by Social Services and other agencies and the costs of supporting refugees and asylum seekers housed in local hotels also increased. Consequently, our charitable expenditure was only slightly less than in the previous year.

The net result was that we sustained a deficit on our general fund of £15,849. Thankfully we had built up reserves in previous years and were able to cover this deficit from our accumulated reserves.

During the year we continued to support the work of Becky's Bathhouse AMKE, which is a Greek registered charity, based in Lesvos. This is from funds that were received specifically for this purpose and we have accounted for these funds separately as a restricted fund. The remaining funds were paid to Becky's Bathhouse AMKE during the year.

We also held some funds specifically to help victims of flooding in the Warrington area and again these funds have been moved into, and accounted for separately in, a restricted fund. Significant payments were made out of these funds during the year.

The Trustees have adopted a Reserves Policy to maintain cash reserves equal to approximately three months of the running costs of the organisation. This is currently deemed to be £100,000.

The Trustees want to ensure that our surplus funds are put to good use in helping those in need.

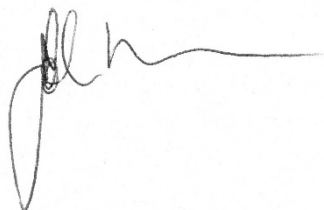
Our general reserves at the year end amounted to £181,290.

Although this figure was significantly higher than the amount to cover three months expenditure it was clear at the at the year that there would be significant challenges to our finances in the following year. This was partly due to having to vacate our Warrington properties at the end of July 2023 and locate our retail operation, sorting centre and depot into new premises. In addition, the number of requests that we were receiving for assistance was also increasing placing increased demands on our resources.

The Trustees felt that it was prudent to maintain the level of reserves going forward into the next year as there would be significant demands on our funds, which has turned out to be the case.

The Trustees declare that they have approved this report and financial statements for the year to 31 May 2023.

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John A Stott', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

John A Stott
Treasurer and Trustee
28 March 2024

CARE UK Charity

Charity number: 1167299

Independent Examiners Report for the year ended 31 May 2023

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of CARE UK Charity for the year ended 31 May 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters.

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 giving me any 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.



Jonathan Rigby FCA
Rigby Lennon & Co

28 March 2024

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CARE UK Charity

Profit and loss account for retail activity for year ended 31 May 2023

	Year ended 31 May 2023	Year ended 31 May 2022
	£	£
Income		
Shop sales	400,276	481,151
Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme	-	2,695
Total income	<u>400,276</u>	<u>483,846</u>
Expenses		
Property expenses	46,122	82,981
Wages and pensions	192,635	214,924
Vehicle and transport costs	14,906	7,424
Finance charges	4,195	4,301
General expenses	12,208	19,801
Depreciation	3,918	3,482
Total expenses	<u>273,984</u>	<u>332,913</u>
Net profit from retail activity	<u><u>126,292</u></u>	<u><u>150,933</u></u>

CARE UK Charity

Income and Expenditure account for the year ended 31 May 2023

	Year ended 31 May 2023		Year ended 31 May 2022	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Profit from retail activity	126,292	-	150,933	-
Donations from individuals	29,799	-	36,849	150
Donations from groups and organisations	13,642	-	4,841	-
Gift Aid claimed	1,323	-	2,116	-
Fundraising activities	8,475	-	5,987	-
Recycling of goods	16,783	-	19,561	-
Other income	1,876	-	22,713	-
Bank interest	586	-	19	-
Total income	198,776	-	243,019	150
Expenditure				
Aid for refugees overseas	7,141	-	24,726	-
Donations to aid organisations overseas	4,750	28,602	6,260	77,226
Container costs and shipping	-	-	12,934	-
Support for refugees and families in UK	63,547	-	43,928	-
Homes team costs	44,578	-	31,191	-
Food Bank	3,936	-	2,908	-
Flood relief	-	11,999	-	1,968
Vehicle and transport expenses	9,778	-	6,748	-
Premises costs	613	-	323	-
Wages and pensions	69,012	-	75,757	-
General expenses	7,328	204	10,118	189
Depreciation (Note 1)	3,942	-	3,425	-
Total expenditure	214,625	40,805	218,318	79,383
Net surplus / (deficit) for the period	(15,849)	(40,805)	24,701	(79,233)
Accumulated surplus brought forward	197,139	44,853	190,452	106,072
Transfer to Restricted Funds	-	-	(18,014)	18,014
Net reserves at 31 May 2023	181,290	4,048	197,139	44,853

CARE UK Charity

Balance sheet at 31 May 2023

	Balance at 31 May 2023	Balance at 31 May 2022
	£	£
FIXED ASSETS		
Motor vehicles (Note 1)	6,525	10,467
Fixtures & fittings (Note 1)	-	3,918
CURRENT ASSETS		
Trade debtors	4,002	2,111
Prepayments	1,208	4,658
Other debtors	335	-
Bank current accounts	15,090	57,619
Bank deposit accounts	223,733	175,156
PayPal account	1,355	58
Cash in hand	1,033	3,278
VAT repayable	1,605	3,994
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>254,886</u>	<u>261,259</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accruals	19,548	19,267
Long term loan	50,000	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>69,548</u>	<u>19,267</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS AT 31 MAY 2023	<u>185,338</u>	<u>241,992</u>
Represented by:		
Unrestricted Funds	181,290	197,139
Restricted Funds	4,048	44,853
TOTAL NET RESERVES AT 31 MAY 2023	<u>185,338</u>	<u>241,992</u>

CARE UK Charity

Notes to the accounts for year ended 31 May 2023

1. Fixed Assets

	Motor vehicles	Fixtures & fittings
	£	£
COST		
As at 1 June 2022	16,600	7,400
Additions during the year	-	-
Disposals during the year	-	(7,400)
As at 31 May 2023	<u>16,600</u>	<u>-</u>
DEPRECIATION		
As at 1 June 2022	6,133	3,482
Charge for the year	3,942	3,918
Disposals during the year	-	(7,400)
As at 31 May 2023	<u>10,075</u>	<u>-</u>
NET BOOK VALUE		
As at 1 June 2022	<u>10,467</u>	<u>3,918</u>
As at 31 May 2023	<u>6,525</u>	<u>-</u>

Depreciation on motor vehicles is provided at an annual rate of 25% on a straight-line basis to write off the asset over its estimated useful life.

Depreciation on fixtures and fittings is provided over their anticipated useful life.

2. Trustee remuneration

During the year, no Trustee received any remuneration. No members of the Board of Trustees received reimbursement of travel or subsistence expenses during the year.

3. Related party transactions

During the year there were no related party transactions.

CARE UK Charity

England & Wales - Charity number 1167299

Accounts



CARE UK Charity

Charity number: 1167299

**Report and Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 May 2022**

The day-to-day administration of CARE UK Charity is carried out by a small management team led by Nora Carlin, the founder of the charity, and our General Manager, along with our highly committed team of staff and volunteers.

We are extremely grateful to our volunteers and supporters without whose generous donations of time and practical support we would be unable to achieve our objectives.

The Trustees acknowledge their duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and ensure that appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

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Achievements and Performance

Mission

Our principal mission remains the same – to collect items that are no longer wanted whether they be clothes, furniture, household items etc and pass these on to people in need. Where items cannot be used in this way, we sell them in our shops in order to raise funds to purchase aid. During the year we used our two shops in Warrington and one in Northwich and, for part of the year, in Kingsley, to raise funds for our work and to serve as donation stations.

The year has been one of recovery, refocusing and consolidation after the Covid 19 pandemic. One of our stores in Kingsley had to be vacated when the lease expired. Just before the end of the year we were given notice on the property we had been using in Northwich and this was vacated after the end of the year. Replacement stores have yet to be sourced.

Overseas aid

Our ability to send containers of aid to organisations overseas supporting refugees continued to be curtailed somewhat during the year due to a combination of factors. We made the decision to draw a temporary line under overseas aid, until at least the Spring/Summer as there were still too many unknowns.

These included the costs associated with shipping, which had risen dramatically and the effects of Brexit, which brought further complications with increased administrative paperwork and the requirement to pay significant taxes on arrival at EU countries as a third-party country. It did mean, however, that we could focus our efforts on the work at home including the Homes Team, asylum seekers and Afghan refugees.

Volunteers

We depend on our amazing team of volunteers who continued to give generously of their time and energies, to further our work. They helped us to collect and sort donations and distribute this aid including medical equipment and supplies, clothing and hygiene products, to groups and organisations requiring our help.

Although we continued to have a core body of volunteers to sort donations and work in the stores, maintaining sufficient volunteers required ongoing attention and action.

Foodbank

Our Foodbank, which was established at the start of the first lockdown, continued to provide weekly food parcels to support families whose income had dropped significantly as a result of lockdown and was particularly focused on those families who were excluded from national support schemes, such as sole traders. We were grateful for the continuing support of individuals and retailers for much needed donations.

Homes Team

Our Homes Team continued to help and support those in need in our community who were referred to us by Social Services, the Probation Service and other charities. The number of referrals gradually started to increase again to pre-pandemic levels. We were able to provide furniture and household goods to help those who have been provided with accommodation but had little or no material possessions.

Examples of Homes Team support from January - December 2021 were:

- 420 referrals- involving 504 adults & 496 children
- 89 with nothing, 80 needed quite a lot of items, rest (251) just a few items
- 225 beds, bedding for 243 & quilts for 210
- 105 sofas, 57 two ring burners and 116 microwaves
- 180 wardrobes or hanging rails and rugs to 30 families
- 37 fridges/freezers
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Refugees

Our first refugee home in Warrington for Afghan refugees was completed in December ahead of the family moving in in January. An 11-strong team were present on the day to get everything in and setup. Earlier in the week two other volunteers had been in and attached curtain poles, as well as volunteers building flat pack furniture at the Home Store to save time on the day. Since then, our services to refugees have grown to include Pop Up Dignity Shops, where refugees are given vouchers so that they can choose clothes and hygiene goods for themselves and advocacy support to improve services within the settings in which they are housed.

Summer Social

We held a Summer Social to thank volunteers and give refugees experience of a family day out. The day, which was held in the local countryside, included many fun activities, a visit from a local ice cream farm and food from many cultures and countries donated by attendees.

Christmas Appeal

Our Christmas Appeal Treat Packs and Gifts were delivered to 113 families and 246 children.

- 17 refugee families and 45 children
- 30 foodbank families and 67 children
- 4 primary schools in Warrington (St Augustine's, Our Lady's, Beamont & Latchford St James) – 46 families and 94 children
- 20 social referrals and 40 children

Local businesses/organisations helped with this by donating new toys, gifts and Christmas treats (including mince pies, Christmas cakes & puddings, savouries, advent calendars and boxed chocolates). We were very grateful to receive financial donations from individual donors and from fundraising activities organised by our supporters.

In essence our mission statement can be contracted to: "Helping people in their time of need" and we continue to strive to use our resources to achieve our aims and objectives.

Financial Review

The following statements set out the financial position of CARE UK Charity for the year ended 31 May 2022.

The profits from our shops continued to provide the bulk of our funds for our charitable activity bringing in a net profit of £150,933 during the year. Our retail activity recovered well after the enforced closures in the previous year brought about by the COVID pandemic and footfall soon returned to, and by the end of the year had exceeded, pre pandemic levels.

The lease on our shop in Kingsley, and hence retail activity, finished at the end of November 2021. Just before the end of the year we received notice on the property in Northwich and the shop closed in the middle of June 2022. We are seeking new retail properties.

Our income, apart from that from our shops, was down on the previous year and our charitable expenditure was significantly higher but we ended the year with a surplus of £24,701. This left us with a total accumulated surplus in our general fund at the year-end of £197,139.

During the COVID pandemic much of our charitable activity was curtailed which meant that our expenditure during this period was reduced and consequently our general reserves increased. As things have gradually returned to normal the requests for our help have increased, a situation partly brought about by the cost-of-living crisis.

The trustees believe that having a healthy surplus puts us in a strong position to meet the ever-increasing needs of the communities which we are trying to serve.

During the year we continued to support the work of Becky's Bathhouse AMKE, which is a Greek registered charity, based in Lesvos. This is from funds that were received specifically for this purpose and we have accounted for these funds separately as a restricted fund.

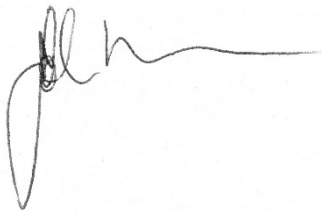
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The Trustees have adopted a Reserves Policy to maintain cash reserves equal to approximately three months of the running costs of the organisation. This is currently deemed to be £100,000. The Trustees want to ensure that our surplus funds are put to good use in helping those in need.

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved this report and financial statements for the year to 31 May 2022.

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees

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John A Stott
Treasurer and Trustee
31 March 2023

CARE UK Charity

Charity number: 1167299

Independent Examiners Report for the year ended 31 May 2022

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Jonathan Rigby FCA
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31 March 2023

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CARE UK Charity

Profit and loss account for retail activity for year ended 31 May 2022

	Year ended 31 May 2022	Year ended 31 May 2021
	£	£
Income		
Shop sales	481,151	224,453
VAT reclaimed	-	834
Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme Grants during lockdown	2,695	39,862
	-	58,586
Total income	<u>483,846</u>	<u>323,735</u>
Expenses		
Property expenses	82,981	28,604
Wages and pensions	214,924	138,004
Vehicle and transport costs	7,424	6,454
Finance charges	4,301	3,075
General expenses	19,801	14,405
Depreciation	3,482	-
Total expenses	<u>332,913</u>	<u>190,542</u>
Net profit from retail activity	<u><u>150,933</u></u>	<u><u>133,193</u></u>

CARE UK Charity

Income and Expenditure account for the year ended 31 May 2022

	Year ended 31 May 2022		Year ended 31 May 2021	
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £
Income				
Profit from retail activity	150,933	-	133,193	-
Donations from individuals	36,849	150	41,183	7,915
Bequests	-	-	10,000	57,438
Donations from groups and organisations	4,841	-	13,592	1,000
Gift Aid claimed	2,116	-	3,020	-
Fundraising activities	5,987	-	25,712	6,197
Recycling of goods	19,561	-	12,800	-
Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme	-	-	7,757	-
Other income	22,713	-	10,333	-
Bank interest	19	-	18	-
Total income	243,019	150	257,608	72,550
Expenditure				
Aid for refugees overseas	24,726	-	21,070	-
Donations to aid organisations overseas	6,260	77,226	18,132	39,163
Container costs and shipping	12,934	-	10,980	-
Support for refugees and families in UK	43,928	-	1,156	-
Homes team costs	31,191	-	12,916	-
Food Bank	2,908	-	7,605	-
Flood relief	-	1,968	1,640	-
Vehicle and transport expenses	6,748	-	6,105	-
Premises costs	323	-	4,245	-
Wages and pensions	75,757	-	31,769	-
General expenses	10,118	189	6,638	765
Depreciation (Note 1)	3,425	-	1,250	-
Total expenditure	218,318	79,383	123,506	39,928
Net surplus / (deficit) for the period	24,701	(79,233)	134,102	32,622
Accumulated surplus brought forward	190,452	106,072	56,350	73,450
Transfer to Restricted Funds	(18,014)	18,014	-	-
Net reserves at 31 May 2022	197,139	44,853	190,452	106,072

CARE UK Charity

Balance sheet at 31 May 2022

	Balance at 31 May 2022	Balance at 31 May 2021
	£	£
FIXED ASSETS		
Motor vehicles (Note 1)	10,467	2,292
Fixtures & fittings (Note 1)	3,918	-
CURRENT ASSETS		
Trade debtors	2,111	1,974
Prepayments	4,658	3,293
Bank current accounts	57,619	135,869
Bank deposit accounts	175,156	159,637
PayPal account	58	299
Cash in hand	3,278	6,227
VAT repayable	3,994	2,765
TOTAL ASSETS	261,259	312,356
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accruals	19,267	15,832
TOTAL LIABILITIES	19,267	15,832
TOTAL NET ASSETS AT 31 MAY 2022	241,992	296,524
Represented by:		
Unrestricted Funds	197,139	190,452
Restricted Funds	44,853	106,072
TOTAL NET RESERVES AT 31 MAY 2022	241,992	296,524

CARE UK Charity

Notes to the accounts for year ended 31 May 2022

1. Fixed Assets

	Motor vehicles	Fixtures & fittings
	£	£
COST		
As at 1 June 2021	5,000	-
Additions during the year	11,600	7,400
As at 31 May 2022	<u>16,600</u>	<u>7,400</u>
DEPRECIATION		
As at 1 June 2021	2,708	-
Charge for the year	3,425	3,482
As at 31 May 2022	<u>6,133</u>	<u>3,482</u>
NET BOOK VALUE		
As at 1 June 2021	2,292	-
As at 31 May 2022	<u>10,467</u>	<u>3,918</u>

Depreciation on motor vehicles is provided at an annual rate of 25% on a straight-line basis to write off the asset over its estimated useful life.

Depreciation on fixtures and fittings is provided over their anticipated useful life.

2. Trustee remuneration

During the year, no Trustee received any remuneration. No members of the Board of Trustees received reimbursement of travel and subsistence expenses during the year.

3. Related party transactions

During the year there were no related party transactions.

CARE UK Charity

England & Wales - Charity number 1167299

Accounts



CARE UK Charity

Charity number: 1167299

**Report and Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 May 2021**

CARE UK Charity

Charity number: 1167299

Trustees Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 May 2021

The Trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 May 2021.

Administrative and contact details

The registered office of CARE UK Charity is: 2 Old Farm
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Warrington
Cheshire
WA4 4RP

CARE UK Charity can be contacted by email: info@careukcharity.org.uk

Contact with supporters and volunteers, including requests for help in both material and practical ways, is principally achieved through our Facebook page which currently has over 4,000 members.

Our Facebook page can be found at: www.facebook.com/groups/careukcharity/

Our website address is: www.careukcharity.org.uk/

The Trustees who have served during the period covered by this report and to date were:

Alison Collins	Appointed 17/07/2021
Pauline Dickinson	Retired 17/07/2021
Kate Farnell	
Diane Hubbard	Appointed 17/07/2021
Emma Kennedy	Retired 16/11/2021
Christopher Ross	Appointed 17/07/2021
Helen Speed	
John Stott	
Mohammad Abdul Waheed	

Structure and Governance

The charity was first established as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation under a constitution on 31 January 2016. Charitable status was recognised by the Charity Commission on 24 May 2016.

The constitution was amended on 21 September 2019 when the name of the charity was changed from “Charity and Recycling Enterprise UK” to “CARE UK Charity”.

The day-to-day administration of CARE UK Charity is carried out by a small management team led by Nora Carlin, the founder of the charity, and our General Manager, along with our highly committed team of staff and volunteers.

We are extremely grateful to our volunteers and supporters without whose generous donations of time and practical support we would be unable to achieve our objectives.

The Trustees acknowledge their duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and ensure that appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

Objectives and Activities

The objectives of CARE UK are:

- To prevent and relieve poverty and hardship and protect the vulnerable in such parts of the world as the Trustees shall determine by providing grants, items and services to individuals in need and/or charities, or other organisations, working to prevent or relieve poverty.
- The relief of those in need suffering hardship across the world providing such persons with goods which they could not otherwise afford.
- Such charitable purposes for the public benefit as are exclusively charitable according to the Laws of England and Wales as the Trustees may from time to time determine.

Achievements and Performance

The year and our operation were punctuated by the various lockdowns that were imposed by the UK Government.

The first month of the year coincided with the first national lockdown caused by the Coronavirus pandemic. Our depots and shops had been closed since this lockdown was imposed in March 2020 and staff were placed on furlough.

During this lockdown we continued to do what we could, safely, to support any individuals or groups requiring our help. Of necessity we were working with a small team of volunteers.

Our Foodbank which was established at the start of the first lockdown continued to provide weekly food parcels to support families whose income had dropped significantly as a result of lockdown. At the peak we were supporting well over fifty families. We were grateful for the continuing support of individuals and retailers for much needed donations.

Our Homes Team continued to help and support those in need in our community who are referred to us by Social Services, the Probation Service and other charities. The number of referrals fell

initially during lockdown but gradually started to increase again to pre-pandemic levels as lockdowns eased. We are able to provide furniture and household goods to help those who have been provided with accommodation but have little or no material possessions.

On 15th June 2020 we were able to reopen our shops although we initially only opened our Northwich and Kingsley shops as we were unsure as to how quickly shoppers would return. We need not have worried about shoppers returning as they quickly returned enabling us to generate funds to support our charitable work. In addition, we received a large amount of donated goods – clearly people had been using lockdown to sort out and clear their homes. We reopened our shop in Cockhedge Centre, Warrington on 21st July 2020 and were greeted with same enthusiastic support from both shoppers and donors.

Our ability to send containers of aid to organisations overseas supporting refugees was curtailed somewhat during the year due to a combination of factors. Firstly, with the pandemic containers were not as readily available and the costs associated with shipping had risen dramatically. Secondly, the effects of Brexit brought further complications with increased administrative paperwork. We were advised by some organisations that we had supported that they were having to pay large customs charges on goods received from the UK. Thirdly, our ability to sort aid and load containers was complicated by volunteers having to comply with social distancing rules.

Our volunteers slowly started to return after lockdown to help sort donations. We were grateful to the small band of volunteers, many of whom came from the same households, so that they could work together safely, who helped us to load and dispatch three containers of aid in late Summer and Autumn 2020.

From 5th November 2020 we had to close our shops and depots once again as the second national lockdown came into effect. Most staff were once again placed on furlough. We continued to operate at a reduced level thanks again to our small team of volunteers who kept our Foodbank and Home Team operations running.

Our depots and shops reopened on 2nd December and were once again very busy with both shoppers and donors.

We ran a Christmas appeal in order to provide festive hampers and gifts for children in the families supported by our Foodbank, refugee families who we support and others referred to our Homes Team by other agencies. We were able to provide over one hundred Christmas treat hampers to families in the local area. We had many ‘elves’ wrapping and delivery gifts, making and delivering the hampers. It was a very busy but rewarding time!

Our depots and shops were open until 30th December 2020 when we entered Tier 4 restrictions and this was followed by a third national lockdown which started on 6th January 2021. Once again staff were placed on furlough and we were again forced to operate at a reduced level but thanks again to a small team of volunteers we were able to keep our Foodbank and Homes Team operating.

In early 2021 we were offered the use of a large vacant unit in Cockhedge Shopping Centre. This happened about the same time that we were required to vacate the property on Bridge Street, Warrington from where our Homes Team had been based since October 2019. The new unit now houses our Home Store (which sells donated furniture and household goods) as well as being a base for our Warrington Homes Team operation and a donation station and sorting centre.

On 12th April 2021 we were able to open our shops, including our new Home Store, our donation stations and to welcome back customers and volunteers. A huge amount of work had been undertaken by staff and volunteers in order to be ready to reopen.

Our principal mission remains the same – to collect items that are no longer wanted whether they be clothes, furniture, household items etc and pass these on to people in need. Where items cannot be used in this way, we sell them in our shops in order to raise funds to purchase aid. During the year we used our shops in Warrington, Northwich and Kingsley to raise funds for our work and also to serve as donation stations.

We depend on our amazing team of volunteers who continued to give generously of their time and energies, even during the pandemic, to further our work. They helped us to collect and sort donations and distribute this aid including medical equipment and supplies, clothing and hygiene products, to groups and organisations requiring our help.

We were very grateful to receive financial donations from individual donors and from fundraising activities organised by our supporters.

Our mission statement can be reduced to: "Helping people in their time of need", and we continue to strive to use our resources to achieve our aim.

Financial Review

The following statements set out the financial position of CARE UK Charity for the year ended 31 May 2021.

The COVID-19 pandemic meant that this was an unusual year in many ways. Whilst our shops were closed for periods during the national lockdowns customers quickly returned once we were able to reopen and sales were strong. Our donations and other general income held up well despite the pandemic.

During the national lockdowns we were able to place staff on furlough and benefit from the Government's Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme and retail lockdown grants.

Due to the lockdowns our activity was somewhat reduced as compared to earlier years. For example, we were unable to send as many containers of aid as in previous years due to a combination of factors. This meant that our charitable expenditure was down compared to the previous year.

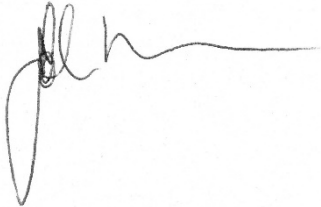
Consequently, we finished the year with a surplus of £134,102 on our general fund. The trustees believe that this places us in a strong position to meet the ever-increasing needs of the communities which we are trying to serve.

During the year we received a further bequest of £57,438 specifically to be used to support the work of Becky's Bathhouse AMKE, which is a Greek registered charity, based in Lesvos. In recent years we have established links with Becky's Bathhouse and have been able to send aid on our containers. We have accounted for these funds separately as a restricted fund.

The Trustees have adopted a Reserves Policy to maintain cash reserves equal to three months of running costs of the organisation.

The Trustees declare that they have approved this report and financial statements for the year to 31 May 2021.

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John A Stott', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

John A Stott
Chair of Trustees
31 March 2022

CARE UK Charity

Charity number: 1167299

Independent Examiners Report for the year ended 31 May 2021

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of CARE UK Charity for the year ended 31 May 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters.

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 giving me any 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.



Jonathan Rigby FCA
31 March 2022

The Annexe, Walton Lodge
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Walton
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CARE UK Charity

Profit and loss account for retail activity for year ended 31 May 2021

	Year ended 31 May 2021	Year ended 31 May 2020
	£	£
Income		
Shop sales	224,453	156,517
VAT reclaimed	834	2,180
Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme	39,862	16,402
Grants during lockdown	58,586	-
Total income	<u>323,735</u>	<u>175,099</u>
Expenses		
Property expenses	28,604	18,136
Wages and salaries	138,004	84,075
Vehicle and transport costs	6,454	5,097
Finance charges	3,075	2,474
General expenses	14,405	3,756
Total expenses	<u>190,542</u>	<u>113,538</u>
Net profit from retail activity	<u><u>133,193</u></u>	<u><u>61,561</u></u>

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Income and Expenditure account for the year ended 31 May 2021

	Year ended 31 May 2021		Year ended 31 May 2020	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Profit from retail activity	133,193	-	61,561	-
Donations from individuals	41,183	7,915	27,345	3,272
Bequests	10,000	57,438	-	50,000
Donations from groups and organisations	13,592	1,000	19,411	3,000
Gift Aid claimed	3,020	-	1,542	-
Fundraising activities	25,712	6,197	7,362	20,339
Recycling of goods	12,800	-	22,416	-
Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme	7,757	-	3,565	-
Other income	10,333	-	7,975	-
Bank interest	18	-	28	-
Total income	257,608	72,550	151,205	76,611
Expenditure				
Aid for refugees overseas	21,070	-	26,460	2,285
Donations to aid organisations overseas	18,132	39,163	5,006	-
Container costs and shipping	10,980	-	35,224	-
Support for refugee families in the UK	1,156	-	12,550	-
Homes team costs	12,916	-	19,944	-
Food Bank	7,605	-	-	-
Flood relief	1,640	-	-	-
Vehicle and transport expenses	6,105	-	10,132	-
Premises costs	4,245	-	3,817	-
Wages and salaries	31,769	-	27,455	-
General expenses	6,638	765	8,624	992
Depreciation (Note 1)	1,250	-	1,250	-
Total expenditure	123,506	39,928	150,462	3,277
Net surplus for the period	134,102	32,622	743	73,334
Accumulated surplus brought forward	56,350	73,450	55,607	116
Net reserves at 31 May 2021	190,452	106,072	56,350	73,450

CARE UK Charity

Balance sheet at 31 May 2021

	Balance at 31 May 2021	Balance at 31 May 2020
	£	£
FIXED ASSETS		
Motor vehicles (Note 1)	2,292	3,542
CURRENT ASSETS		
Trade debtors	1,974	-
Prepayments	3,293	-
Bank current accounts	135,869	80,181
Bank deposit accounts	159,637	59,719
PayPal account	299	571
Cash in hand	6,227	392
VAT repayable	2,765	469
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TOTAL ASSETS	312,356	144,874
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CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accruals	15,832	15,074
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	15,832	15,074
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TOTAL NET ASSETS AT 31 MAY 2021	296,524	129,800
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Represented by:		
Unrestricted Funds	190,452	56,350
Restricted Funds	106,072	73,450
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TOTAL NET RESERVES AT 31 MAY 2021	296,524	129,800
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CARE UK Charity

Notes to the accounts for year ended 31 May 2021

1. Fixed Assets

	Motor vehicles
	£
COST	
As at 1 June 2020	5,000
Additions during the year	-
As at 31 May 2021	<u>5,000</u>
DEPRECIATION	
As at 1 June 2020	1,458
Charge for the year	1,250
As at 31 May 2021	<u>2,708</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
As at 1 June 2020	<u>3,542</u>
As at 31 May 2021	<u>2,292</u>

Depreciation is provided at an annual rate of 25% on a straight line basis to write off the asset over its estimated useful life.

2. Trustee remuneration

During the year, no Trustee received any remuneration. No members of the Board of Trustees received reimbursement of travel and subsistence expenses during the year.

3. Related party transactions

During the year there were no related party transactions.