

UNITY IN DIVERSITY (SWANSEA 2015) (UiD)

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR JUNE 2023-MAY 2024

Structure, Governance, Management and Volunteers

UiD is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). We do not employ any staff and are reliant on volunteers for the smooth day to day running of the charity. Our trustees are responsible for the leadership and governance of the charity.

Trustees

There are nine Trustees as at the date of the 2024 AGM, three of whom have lived the experience of being an asylum seeker and have now been granted refugee status. One trustee will end their trusteeship at the 2024 AGM.

Trustee Name	Trustee Role
Adella Pritchard	Chair and Drop In Lead
Jill Boggs	Link with Swansea University
Hazle Boyles	Food Hygiene Systems and Right to Remain Support
Saba Humayan	Support to Women members
Catherine Plagne-Ismail	EYST Link/Refugees Rock Project
Reverend Eunjig Yang	Representative from York Place Baptist Church
Carlos Ibarra	Link with Spanish speaking community and Right to Remain Support
Achuil Montyoch	Health and Safety / Mental Health Support

For the time being, Terryl will remain as Drop in Lead and Clothing Bank Volunteer.

Volunteers

UiD does not employ any staff and are totally dependent on its volunteers for the smooth running of the charity and the support it gives to asylum seekers and refugees in the Swansea area.

Three of our Trustees are actively involved in the day to day running of the charity, with the others providing support in their respective areas of expertise.

We have 30 volunteers, some of whom are asylum seekers and refugees, who offer "hands on" assistance at our drop in centre each week; their roles range from preparation and clearing away of the hall we use for our weekly drop in session, kitchen preparation and cooking, welcome teams, gardening, teaching English,

outreach food deliveries, membership secretary and finance, as well managing the two clothing bank facilities at Sketty and York Place.

Aims and Objectives

Our aim is to advance the education and training of asylum seekers and those seeking refugee status and their dependents so as to advance them in life and assist them to adapt within a new community.

Advancement of Education and training

- During the past 12 months, at York Place Baptist Church hall, we have provided English as a Second Language lessons at beginner and intermediary levels to our community group.
- At Beginner level, lessons have been provided to 28 students on average.
- At Intermediary level, lessons have been provided to 16 students on average.
- The morning lessons only take place during the school academic year.

Support to adapt within a new community

- We receive details of new asylum seekers and/or refugees via Central Clinic in the City Centre, EYST from their clothing requests, SASS and from self referrals.
- We make direct contact with through our outreach food delivery scheme, providing a direct welcome to the city and information about the support that UiD provides.
- For those who chose to register with UiD, we provide a warm welcome and place of sanctuary at York Place Baptist Church Hall, where we provide a hot meal and drink, alongside entertainment, special events e.g. celebrating birthdays or key dates from different countries, and more recently, the opportunity to be part of a Friends and Neighbours group that offers a free, friendly, face to face group chat.
- Like three of our Trustees, many of our volunteers have lived the experience of being an asylum seeker and some have been granted refugee status. Volunteering with UiD in this way provides them with an opportunity to be part of a community with a sense of belonging, practising their English, meeting new people and making new friends, as well as supporting others who are, or have been, on a similar journey to their own.
- With the introduction of a Whats App group, we have been able to maintain regular contact with our community group ensuring they are updated on planned events at our drop in sessions, as well as a source of communication direct with our Chair of Trustees. This gives them the assurance that if they need help, UiD is there for them.

Outreach Food Delivery Programme

During the past 12 months, we have delivered a mixture of food parcels from Sketty Foodbank or small top up food parcels financed by UiD from Swansea Council grant funding to 75 addresses across the city. The weekly visit provides a friendly contact and the opportunity to let them know about any events that are taking place at our weekly drop in sessions.

Drop in Sessions

During the past 12 months, we have provided meals to 3218 adults and children when they have attended the drop in. Every month we have celebrated the birthdays of people who have had a birthday in that month. Special Events have included

Refugee Week, Korean Evening, Welsh Evening, Christmas Party, Bingo sessions, FAN discussions, visits from Swansea Central Library staff and a Digital Champions Training course by Digital Communities Wales. We have worked alongside Swansea Asylum Seekers Association (SASS) enabling us to pool resources, kitchen supplies and food. This has helped both charities in terms of finances.

Our Plans for 2024/2025

Trustees to consider additional projects for the coming 12 months in addition to the following:

- Ongoing gardening projects – themed around Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter
- Reinstate Rock Project (Climbing Hangar)
- Summer 2025 Beach visit
- Reinstate Womens' Group

Financial Review 2023/2024

With our founder Trustee, David Browell, stepping back from his role as Trustee and Treasurer, at last year's AGM, we were delighted to appoint a new volunteer treasurer, Jane Wheeler.

Income:

UiD is grateful for the regular monthly donations by standing order from individuals as well as one off gifts from Hazle Boyle (Trustee), The Climbing Hangar and The Dorothy Watkins Foundation. Unrestricted donations totalled £2,114. Restricted donations totalled £1,700.

We acknowledge and thank the following for grants received during 2023/2024:-

Austin Bailey Foundation	£1,000
Swansea Council	£7,137
Heart of Wales	£425
Ashley Bailey Foundation	£1,000
Western Bay Community Cohesion	£718
Swansea Bay Foundation*	£4,140

*Actual grant was £4,923 but UID had to return £783 allocated to a project that did not proceed.

UiD has benefitted from:-

- a) a backdated Gift Aid Tax claim totalling £1,023
- b) the collaboration with Swansea University, allowing us to work with two student interns. The funding for this arrangement totalled £2,520
- c) Cash for clothes from our two clothing banks totalling £125

Expenditure:

Total expenditure was £15,275 as follows:

Christmas	-972
Electrical Items	-773
Expenses - Volunteers	-174
Food Drop in	-221
Gardening	-56
Grant - Austin Bailey Foundation (Vol Expenses)	-290
Grant - Direct Food Round 2 Capital	-417
Grant - Direct Food Round 2 Revenue/Food	-110
Grant - Direct Food support - Drop In Centre	-717
Grant - Direct Food Support - Outreach	-887
Grant - Direct Food Support Expenses	-100
Grant - Enabling Communities Holiday Food	-2,151
Grant - Heart of Wales	-379
Grant - Hygiene products	-1,708
Grant – Swansea Bay Community Garden (grant funds repaid)	-783
Grant - Sx Bay Foundation Event costs	-92
Grant - Western Bay Community	-719
Hardship payment	-145
Insurance	-291
Intern payments	-991
Organised Visits	-10
Play work provision	-86
Rent	-2,820
SASS Kitchen supplies	-51
SASS Shared food	-40
Sundry Items	-293

Reserves

UiD is solely dependent on donations and grant funding to financially support its activities. UiD does not employ any staff or have responsibility for the upkeep of any buildings. There is, therefore, no policy in place for holding or requiring reserves.

Signed: A Pritchard



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

UNITY IN DIVERSITY (SWANSEA 2015)

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01-Jun-23

To

31-May-24

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	2,114	1,700	-	3,814	-
Gift Aid tax repayment	1,023	-	-	1,023	-
Grants received	-	14,203	-	14,203	-
Student Interns	-	2,520	-	2,520	-
Other	9,038	-	-	9,038	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	12,175	18,423	-	30,598	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	12,175	18,423	-	30,598	-
A3 Payments					
Open Reach food	-	887	-	887	-
Drop in Programme	-	1,465	-	1,465	-
Volunteer Expenses	174	390	-	564	-
Rent	-	2,260	-	2,260	-
Group activities	-	5,832	-	5,832	-
Electrical goods	-	773	-	773	-
Hardship payments	145	-	-	145	-
Shared costs SASS	91	-	-	91	-
Insurance	291	-	-	291	-
Community Group Support	1,068	-	-	1,068	-
Student Interns	-	991	-	991	-
Gardening	56	-	-	56	-
Sundry	293	-	-	293	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	2,118	12,598	-	14,716	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	2,118	12,598	-	14,716	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	10,057	5,825	-	15,882	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	10,057	5,825	-	15,882	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current Account	9,296	6,586	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	9,296	6,586	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	Agreement Error	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	Volunteer expenses		387	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Adella Pritchard	10/07/2024	
		Jane Wheeler	10/07/2024	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name

Unity in Diversity (Swansea 2015)

On accounts for the year
ended

31 May 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1167339

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

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

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 Charity 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. 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.

Signed:

B Shortman

Date:

26/6/2024

Name:

BEN SHORTMAN

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(if any):

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