



FAITH IN GOVERNMENT

Annual Report and Accounts for the period 1 April 2023 to
31 March 2024

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Objectives and activities

The objectives of Faith in Government (FIG) are:

1. Enabling and aiding Christians in public and private sectors in low and middle income countries to promote the sound administration and development of the law, according to the tenets of their faith.
2. The promotion of ethical standards of conduct and compliance with the law in the public and private sectors in low and middle income countries.

The main activities undertaken in relation to these objectives during the period 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024 have been:

- Providing a grant to the Fellowship of Christians in Government (FOCIG) - an NGO in the Philippines that shares our objectives (see <https://www.facebook.com/FOCIG/>)
- Providing a grant to Peace and Hope International (<https://peaceandhopeinternational.org/>) to enable 5 Christian leaders to attend the Public Integrity track of a meeting of the Initiative of the Americas for Transformation and Reconciliation (see <https://www.iaptr.com/sobrenosotros>), held in Rio Negro, Colombia in July 2023.

The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. The public in low and middle income countries benefits from the activities of FIG because:

- Corruption harms the public.
- Christian organizations in some low and middle income countries are helping Christians who hold positions of authority in the public and private sectors try to prevent and fight corruption in the workplace. For example, FOCIG is a government-accredited Philippine NGO that delivers training seminars on moral values and leadership for thousands of staff in the police, armed forces, and other government departments. It also works intensively with small numbers of very senior officers, encouraging them as they try to use their authority to ensure that deals are honest, extra-judicial killings are investigated and elections are fair. FIG supports the work of FOCIG financially, thereby contributing to better control of corruption in the Philippines, faster economic growth and better provision of public services.

Achievements and performance

The Trustees met online on four occasions, and corresponded several times by email, during the period 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024. They reviewed reports from FOCIG, and approved a grant to FOCIG of £5,512. The Trustees approved a grant of £3,553 to Peace and Hope International (<https://peaceandhopeinternational.org/>) to enable 5 Christian leaders to attend the Public Integrity track of a meeting of the Initiative of the Americas for Transformation and Reconciliation, held in Rio Negro, Colombia during the period 23-26 July 2023.

Financial review

FIG began the period 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024 with a balance of £35,155. During this period FIG's income was £23,520 and expenditure was £9,210, leaving a balance of £49,465 on 31 March 2024. The Trustees do not consider it necessary to hold any other reserves because FIG has no financial liabilities.

Structure, governance and management

FIG is constituted as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, and is governed by a Constitution that is closely modelled on the Charity Commission Foundation Model Constitution.

The Trustees of FIG are chaired by Martin Allaby, who also chairs the Trustees of FPIN. The Trustees of FIG have agreed that Martin's role as chair of FPIN will be noted as an interest and, in circumstances where it could be a conflict of interest (e.g. when FIG is considering grants to FPIN), Martin will provide any relevant information, but will then stand aside from the discussion and decision making process.

The methods used to recruit and appoint new charity trustees are as follows:

- (1) Apart from the first charity trustees, every trustee must be appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees.
- (2) In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.

Reference and administrative details

The name of the charity is Faith in Government (Charity Commission registration number 1167607).

FIG's registered address is 22 Poplar Road, Oxford, OX2 9LB.

The FIG Trustees throughout the period 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024 were:

Martin Allaby (Chair)

Robert Fricker (Treasurer)

Jonathan Crozier (Secretary from 21 May 2023)

Michael Ehioze-Ediae resigned from his role as a Trustee on 21 May 2023. He had served as FIG Secretary until that date.

Funds held as custodian trustee on behalf of others

Neither FIG, nor its trustees, are acting as custodian trustees.

Approval of Annual Report and Accounts

On behalf of the trustees, we approve the Annual Report and Accounts for the period 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024:



Martin Allaby
Chair of trustees

Date: 23 January 2025



Robert Fricker
Treasurer

Date: 23 January 2025

Receipts and payments for the period 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	31-Mar-23
Receipts					
Donations from individuals	21,020	0	0	21,020	21,050
Gift Aid reclaim	0	0	0	0	0
Other income	2,500	0	0	1,060	1,060
Sub total	23,520	0	0	23,520	22,110
Asset & investment sales, etc	0	0	0	0	0
Total receipts	23,520	0	0	23,520	22,110
Payments					
FOCIG Grants	5,512	0	0	5,512	5,581
PHI Grant	3,553	0	0	3,553	0
Nairobi Consultation grants	0	0	0	0	24,853
Grants to support FPIN	0	0	0	0	1,020
Website charges	100	0	0	100	359
Bank charges	45	0	0	45	128
Sub total	9,210	0	0	9,210	31,941
Asset & investment purchases, etc	0	0	0	0	0
Total payments	9,210	0	0	9,210	31,941
Net of receipts/(payments)	14,310	0	0	14,310	(9,831)
Transfer between funds	0	0	0	0	0
Cash funds last year end	35,155	0	0	35,155	44,986
Cash funds at year end	49,465	0	0	49,465	35,155

Statement of assets and liabilities at 31 March 2024

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total	31-Mar-23
	funds	funds	funds	funds	
Cash funds					
Cash at bank	49,465	0	0	49,465	35,155
Other monetary assets	0	0	0	0	0
Investment assets	0	0	0	0	0
Assets retained for the charity's own use	0	0	0	0	0
Liabilities	0	0	0	0	0
Total funds	49,465	0	0	49,465	35,155