

# MESERET FOR WOMEN

England & Wales · Charity number 1168038

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Trust

**Registered** 2016-07-05

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

## Contact

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**Website** [meseretforwomen.org](http://meseretforwomen.org)

## Activities

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**Objects:** THE OBJECTS OF THE CHARITY ('THE OBJECTS') ARE:THE RELIEF OF PHYSICAL AND MENTAL DISTRESS BY PROVIDING EMOTIONAL AND PRACTICAL SUPPORT TO ANY PERSONS WHO HAVE BEEN A VICTIM OF RAPE OR ARE EXPERIENCING PHYSICAL, MENTAL OR SEXUAL ABUSE, OR WISH TO ABANDON NEW BORN BABIES, IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY, BY PROVIDING A TEMPORARY SUITABLE REFUGE AND TEACHING SKILLS TO ENABLE SUCH PERSONS TO FINANCIALLY SUPPORT THEMSELVES AND THEIR CHILDREN.

**Activities:** Providing care and assistance to vulnerable women in Ethiopia to discourage abandonment of newborn babies and promote self worth and development of skills to enable these women to support themselves and their children.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups

## Geography

- Ethiopia

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-05-31	£22,055	£20,046	-	-
2024-05-31	£34,564	£30,041	-	-
2023-05-31	£28,758	£27,614	-	-
2022-05-31	£18,837	£40,228	-	-
2021-05-31	£30,839	£25,650	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Caryss Amanda Bubb Welch		2020-06-10
Dr PETER GOUGH		2016-06-01
Drahoslava Modric-Webb		2025-03-26
RACHEL LOUISE DUKE		2016-06-01

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# Accounts

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**Meseret for Women**

**Receipts & Payments Account**

**For the Year Ended 31 May 2024**

Registered Charity Number: 1168038

**Meseret for Women**

**General Fund**

**Receipts and Payments Account For The Year Ended 31 May 2024**

	31/05/2024		31/05/2023	
	£	£	£	£
Balance in hand 01/06/2023		1,443		299
RECEIPTS:				
Individual Donations	22,207		20,729	
Fundraising Events	42		3,569	
Just Giving Receipts	12,315		4,460	
	.....		.....	
		34,564		28,758
		.....		.....
		36,007		29,057
PAYMENTS:				
Charitable Activities - MFW Africa	29,541		27,348	
Professional Fees	216		216	
Website costs	-		-	
Bank Charges	284		50	
	.....		.....	
		30,041		27,614
		.....		.....
Balance in Hand 31/05/2024		5,966		1,443
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**Meseret for Women**

**Statement of Assets At 31 May 2024**

	31/05/2024		31/05/2023	
	£	£	£	£
<b><u>GENERAL FUND</u></b>				
Barclays Bank Current Account	5,966		299	
	-----	5,966	-----	299
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>5,966</b>		<b>299</b>
		=====		=====

**Meseret for Women**

**Trustee's Annual Report for the year ended 31 May 2024**

Legal and Administrative Information

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Trustees and Governance

Name of trustee	Office held	Name of trustee	Office held
Rachel Louise Duke		Caryss Welch	
Dr Peter Gough			
Stephen Hawkes			

**All trustees acted for the whole period**

Activities and achievements

Meseret for Women works in partnership with Meseret for Women, Ethiopia a Non-Governmental Organisation which administers the house and training programmes necessary to fulfil the objects of the charity. Regular contact with and visits to the women's refuge and training programmes are made by one of our trustees (at her own expense) to ensure probity in the delivery of the charity's objects.

Reserves policy

We aim to keep three months of project funding in reserve in order to avoid interruption of services in Ethiopia.

Signed

RDuke.....

07.03.2025.....

Date

## **Independent Examiners' Report to the Trustees of Meseret for Women**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 May 2024 which are set out on pages 1 to 4.

### Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

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 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

1. Examine the accounts (under section 43(3) of the 1993 Act);
2. To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 Act); and
3. To state whether particular matters have come to my attention


### Basis of Independent Examiners' Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounts 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 you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

### Independent Examiners' Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

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	£	£	£	£
Balance in hand 01/06/2022		299		21,690
RECEIPTS:				
Individual Donations	20,729		9,022	
Fundraising Events	3,569		6,607	
Just Giving Receipts	4,460		3,208	
	<u>28,758</u>		<u>18,837</u>	
		<u>29,057</u>		<u>40,527</u>
PAYMENTS:				
Charitable Activities - MFW Africa	27,348		39,867	
Professional Fees	216		216	
Website costs	-		-	
Bank Charges	50		145	
	<u>27,614</u>		<u>40,228</u>	
Balance in Hand 31/05/2023		<u><u>1,443</u></u>		<u><u>299</u></u>

Meseret for Women

Statement of Assets At 31 May 2023

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TOTAL ASSETS		<u>1,443</u>		<u>299</u>



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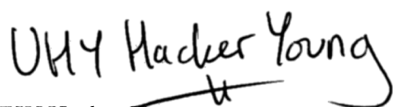
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4 July 2024

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**Receipts and Payments Account For The Year Ended 31 May 2021**

	31/05/2021		31/05/2020	
	£	£	£	£
Balance in hand 01/06/2020		16,501		11,692
RECEIPTS:				
Individual Donations	11,362		36,023	
Fundraising Events	16,412		213	
Just Giving Receipts	3,064		700	
		30,839		36,936
		47,340		48,628
PAYMENTS:				
Charitable Activities - MFW Africa	25,364		31,638	
Professional Fees	216		216	
Website costs	-		-	
Bank Charges	70		273	
		25,650		32,127
Balance in Hand 31/05/2021		21,690		16,501

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**Statement of Assets At 31 May 2021**

	31/05/2021		31/05/2020	
	.....		.....	
	£	£	£	£
<b><u>GENERAL FUND</u></b>				
Barclays Bank Current Account	21,690		16,501	
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<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>21,690</b>		<b>16,501</b>
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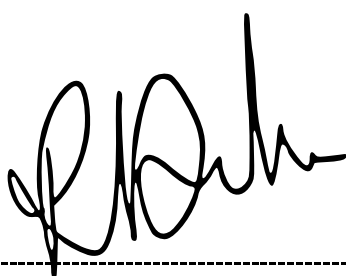
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