

Voice of Hope
(Registered charity, number 1171171)
Financial statements
for the year ended 31 December 2020

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**Voice of Hope
Trustees' Annual Report
for the year ended 31 December 2020**

Registered charity number 1171171

Principal address

Voice of Hope
The Bridge Centre
Birches Head Road
Birches Head
Stoke-on-Trent
ST2 8DD

Trustees

Mrs A Grainger
Mrs A Broom
Mrs L McDermott
Mr D Dean
Mrs Diane Yeadon

(deceased April 2021)
(resigned July 2021)
(appointed February 2020)

Bankers

Barclays Bank
Business Direct
Leicester
Leicestershire
LE87 2BB

Independent examiner

Daryl Denson ACMA
VAST
The Dudson Centre
Hope Street
Hanley
Stoke on Trent
ST1 5DD

Governance and management

Voice of Hope is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) which operates under the rules of its constitution adopted on 18 January 2017.

Summary of objects

The objects of the CIO are to promote human rights (as set out in the universal declaration of human rights and subsequent united nations conventions and declarations) throughout the world in particular through the prevention of modern slavery including human trafficking by:

- 1) raising awareness of modern slavery;
- 2) promoting public support for the prevention of modern slavery;
- 3) offering training and education on modern slavery;
- 4) conducting research into modern slavery;
- 5) relieving need among the victims of modern slavery;
- 6) raising funds to be used in the relief and prevention of modern slavery

Public Benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission of England and Wales.

**Voice of Hope
Trustees' Annual Report (continued)
for the year ended 31 August 2020**

Summary of main achievements during the year

During this financial year we have continued to raise awareness of modern-day slavery.

We celebrated the charities 5th year anniversary with special guest Dame Sarah Thornwin (anti-slavery Commissioner).

Sadly, due to the Covid lockdown all training has stopped.

Other information

We are now at a stage where we can plan training and increasing the number of our volunteers and we intend to explore the recruitment of retained, contracted or employed staff. Also, it is our intention to develop a permanent reception centre. This centre will also host the integrated provision of care to people rescued from modern day slavery and will enable agencies and support services to be brought together on one site. This will include, in time, a home (a 'safe house') providing resettlement and accommodation for vulnerable people rescued from modern day slavery.

The charity's policy on reserves

We have a reserves policy of one months operating costs.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed A. Piringer Date 24/9/21

Name:
Position:

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of
Voice of Hope
for the year ended 31 December 2020**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the period ended 31 December 2020 which are set out on pages 5 to 7.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees of Voice of Hope you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Voice of Hope 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of Voice of Hope as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting 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.

Signed  Date 24/09/2021
Daryl Denson ACMA
VAST

Voice of Hope
Receipts & payments account
for the year ended 31 December 2020

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2020 £	2019 £
Receipts				
Grants	7,000	24,105	31,105	27,750
Donation	1,000	8,326	9,326	6,585
Furlough	16,498	-	16,498	-
Sundry	224	415	639	12
Total Receipts	<u>24,722</u>	<u>32,846</u>	<u>57,568</u>	<u>34,347</u>
Payments				
Gifts	-	56	56	-
Publicity	-	1,093	1,093	1,150
Refreshments	473	134	607	941
Training	-	159	159	1,078
IT	-	95	95	2,269
Room Hire	-	3,470	3,470	5,329
Wages	15,370	14,630	30,000	10,604
Payroll Costs	695	-	695	-
Bookkeeping	222	504	726	492
Insurance	-	452	452	252
Travel	223	351	574	568
Purchases	38	2,800	2,838	1,267
Printing & Stationary	-	910	910	900
Project Assist Costs	-	2,537	2,537	-
Staff Costs	-	-	-	5,341
Subscription	-	52	52	1,140
Donations	-	1,381	1,381	-
Miscellaneous	27	-	27	52
Total Payments	<u>17,048</u>	<u>28,624</u>	<u>45,672</u>	<u>31,383</u>
Net receipts / (payments)	7674	4,222	11,896	2,964
Cash funds brought forward	<u>1,322</u>	<u>28,015</u>	<u>29,337</u>	<u>26,373</u>
Cash funds carried forward	<u>8,996</u>	<u>32,237</u>	<u>41,233</u>	<u>29,337</u>

Voice of Hope
Statement of assets and liabilities
at 31 December 2020

	2020	2019
	£	£
Cash assets		
Current Account	41,233	29,337
	<u>41,233</u>	<u>29,337</u>
 Current Liabilities		
Accruals	492	492
	<u>492</u>	<u>492</u>

These financial statements are accepted on behalf of the charity by:

Signed A. Trainger
 Name:
 Position:

Dated 24/9/21

Voice of Hope
Notes to the Accounts
at 31 December 2020

	Balance at 1				Balance at 31
	January	Incoming	Resources	Transfer	December
	2020	resources	expended		2020
Restricted funds	£	£	£	£	£
People Power Fund - Schools	337	9,678	(7,104)	-	2,911
People Power Fund - Stay Safe	1,820	-	(1,002)	-	818
Tampax Tampon Fund - Project Dignity	3,528	-	(1,322)	-	2,206
Operational Grant	21,580	-	(14,630)	-	6,950
Malam Trust	750	16,612	(1,657)	-	15,705
Office of Police & Crime Commissioner	-	5,906	(2,503)	-	3,403
Community Foundation	-	650	(406)	-	244
	28,015	32,846	(28,624)	-	32,237
Unrestricted funds					
General reserve	1,322	24,722	(17,048)	-	8996
	1,322	24,722	(17,048)	-	8996
Total funds	29,337	57,568	(45,672)	-	41,233

Purpose of restricted funds

People Power Fund – Funding from the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner Staffordshire to support the delivery of the ‘Raising Awareness to End Modern Slavery’ project.

Tampax Tampon Fund – Funding to help improve health and wellbeing and provide necessities to people in need.

Operational Grant – Funding to help charity operations and to recruit new staff.

Malam Trust – Funding to pay for various administration and printing costs.

Office of Police & Crime Commissioner – Tender to support victims

Community Foundation - Funding for IT equipment purchases.