

Charity number: 1172518

**UK FRIENDS OF ARSP
(ACTION RECONCILIATION SERVICE FOR PEACE)**

ANNUAL REPORT AND RECEIPT AND PAYMENT ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021



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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

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TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

The Trustees present their annual report together with the accounts of UK Friends of Action Reconciliation Service for Peace (ARSP) for the year ended 31 December 2021. The Trustees confirm that the Annual report and accounts of the charity comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the charity's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued in March 2005.

Structure, governance and management

ARSP is a charitable unincorporated organisation governed by a Trust deed dated 10 April 2017. Trustee vacancies are advertised, together with a description of what the role entails, to members and supporters of the charity.

Objectives and Activities

The charitable objective of UK Friends of ARSP is to support the work of the German Peace Organisation Aktion Sühnezeichen Friedensdienste (Action Reconciliation Service for Peace) in the UK, in particular by supporting volunteers serving in England and UK volunteers serving abroad, or provision of funds and donations.

Each year ARSP hosts 12-15 volunteers for a 12 months voluntary service in England. The volunteers work with migrants, children and people with disabilities. The main focus of ARSP's activities is to work with groups who faced social exclusion, racism and discrimination under the National Socialist regime in the 1930s and 1940s in Germany and still do in many Western cultures today; whether because of disability, economic disadvantage or ethnic group – such a Jew, Sinti and Roma or Asylum Seekers. The volunteers work with these groups of people in the fields of arts and culture, youth work, health services and advocacy.

Achievements and performance

Despite the pandemic, UK Friends of ARSP successfully supported German and Polish volunteers in their voluntary services in the UK. Their placements were with the Wiener Library, the Jewish Refugee Support Group, the Leo Baeck Institute, the Jewish Museum London, the Southwark Day Centre for Asylum Seekers, the South London Refugee Association, Young Roots, the Roma Support Group, the Queen Victoria Seamen's Rest, Pursuing Independent Path, Coventry and Warwickshire Mind and Coventry Cathedral. UK Friends of ARSP was able to maintain and strengthen relationships with all these organisations throughout the year.

This year UK Friends of ARSP celebrated the 60th anniversary of ARSP's work in the UK. Due to the pandemic the event had to be held online, but it brought together over 500 former and current volunteers, project partners and friends.

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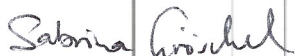
Reserves policy

The Trustees consider that the charity does not need to hold any significant reserves. This is because ARSP is part of a larger network through its parent charity Aktion Sühnezeichen Friedensdienste (ASF) based in Germany. ASF holds significant reserves and would support the charity if the need arose.

Financial review

The financial situation in 2021 has been less good than in 2020 due to the UK leaving the European Solidarity Corps scheme, which had been a major funding source for a number of years. The German parent charity Aktion Sühnezeichen Friedensdienste continued to support us with monthly payments. We are hoping to improve our financial resilience again in 2022 through new funding sources. We have already been successful in securing £50,000 of funding for our 2022/23 programme from the Sanddorf foundation, a foundation that supports German-Polish youth collaborations.

The report was approved by the Trustees on 25/04/2022 and signed on their behalf by:



Sabrina Gröschel, Chair of Trustees

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF UK FRIENDS OF ACTION RECONCILIATION SERVICE FOR PEACE

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 December 2021 which are set out on pages 6 and 7.

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under section 154 of that Act. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

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 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the next statement.

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention other than that disclosed below:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached



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Dated: 12/05/22

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**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

	Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Restricted Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2020 £
Receipts				
ARSP Germany	73,710	-	73,710	48,701
Project partners	8,082	-	8,082	7,583
Donations	1,205	-	1,205	-
European Voluntary Service	-	-	-	72,097
TOTAL RECEIPTS	82,996	-	82,996	128,381
Payments				
Volunteer stipends	8,350	22,282	30,632	26,110
Volunteer accomodation	31,586	24,400	55,986	43,474
Volunteer travel	25,498	483	25,981	17,105
Volunteer other costs	10,487	1,503	11,990	2,790
Seminar food	4,198	373	4,571	2,911
Courses and external speakers	1,801	-	1,801	822
Room hire	330	-	330	-
Staff travel	134	-	134	213
Office rent	2,214	-	2,214	2,706
Telephone	457	-	457	249
Postage	266	-	266	172
Material	657	-	657	840
Accountancy fee	900	-	900	-
TOTAL PAYMENTS	86,878	49,041	135,919	97,392
SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR	- 3,881	- 49,041	- 52,923	30,989