



THREE PEAS

Charitable Incorporated Organisation No 1172777

ANNUAL REPORT and Financial Statements

for the year to 30 September 2021

ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Charity Name:	Three Peas
Registered Charity number:	1172777 (England and Wales)
Charity's Registered Office:	54 Mount Ararat Road, Richmond upon Thames TW10 6PJ
Patron:	Axel Scheffler
Trustees:	Martina Riot Joelle Sprung Clementine Koenig Anne Hornby
Independent Examiner	Thomas Ward FCA, Lonsdale Ward Limited, 5, Market Yard Mews, 194-204 Bermondsey Street, London SE1 3TQ
Bankers	HSBC, 127 High Street, Hounslow TW3 1QP

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES for the period ending 30 September 2021

1. STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Trustees present the report and financial statements for Three Peas from 1 October 2020 to 30 September 2021. The charity is governed by its Constitution. The trustees are responsible for the overall management and control of the charity. The financial statements are prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1st January 2015), (Charities SORP FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees:

The Constitution provides for a minimum of three trustees and should there be a requirement for new trustees they would be identified and appointed by the current trustees according to their relevant skills, knowledge and experience. Trustees are confirmed in post at the Annual General Meeting. A new trustee would receive a copy of the current Constitution, the previous year's Annual Report and Accounts and a copy of the Charity commission leaflet "The Essential Trustee: What You Need to Know."

Operation and Risk Management:

The Trustees administer the charity along with two additional members and meetings are held monthly. The trustees are aware of their duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error. The charity maintains a risk register and policy and areas of potential operational risk are reviewed at these meetings. Financial sustainability would be the main risk for the charity. However, this is monitored by regularly reviewing and reporting of the reserves and ensuring funding is in place ahead of any major new projects.

2. OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Purpose of the Charity:

The purpose of the charity is to operate for the benefit of the public in the prevention or relief or poverty of refugees in Europe and the developing world by providing grants, items, and services to individuals in need and/or charities or other organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty.

Aims and Activities

Three Peas is committed to providing essential grassroots support to vulnerable refugees in Europe. Activity to date has been focussed on Greece with principal projects in northern Greece and on the island of Lesbos. Through our close working relationship with a number of different organisations on the ground we are able to respond quickly to the ever-changing crisis in order to provide relief and benefit for refugees both in and around the refugee camps and in the community.

In addition to financial support it is essential that we maintain public awareness of the desperateness of the humanitarian crisis in Europe. In addition to social media activity, we collaborate with other interested organisations to highlight this and keep up the pressure on human rights organisations.

Public Benefit

The trustees, in making their decisions, have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and are committed to ensuring that their support reaches refugee communities and vulnerable families most at risk and in need. To this end Three Peas have chosen to support:

- *Projects in community spaces and refugee camps, supplying food, medical support, clothing and other essentials to individuals with little or no other means of support*
- *Housing projects for vulnerable young adults and families on Lesbos and in northern Greece*
- *Health and education: sports and language projects to facilitate integration in local communities*
- *Legal Aid for unaccompanied minors in need of documentation for asylum processes in Europe*
- *Collections and deliveries of essential goods and supplies, such as camping equipment, clothing, baby equipment, toiletries and medical supplies, to organisations providing for refugees.*

3. ACHIEVEMENTS

The number of refugees arriving in Greece remains consistently high despite receiving very little attention in the international press. Since the arrival of Covid 19 in Spring 2020, life for thousands of refugees both in camps and homeless on the streets has been a constant struggle with curfews, the obvious health issues, and restrictions on food and medical distribution. Large numbers have been homeless and have to find shelter wherever they can, always at risk of being picked up by the police, particularly during the various lockdowns. Three Peas has maintained close contact with its network of support this year, working closely with other charities and non-profit organisations on the ground with the aim of reaching as many different groups as funds have permitted, in many cases responding to emergency situations as they arise. Despite the difficulties in planning fundraising events, resulting in a 25% drop in funding compared with last year, Three Peas has been able to increase its charitable expenditure in view of the desperate plight of so many refugees.

COMMUNITY SPACES AND CAMPS

Over the last 12 months, large numbers of refugees have been turned out of the camps both on the Greek mainland and on the islands, and are living rough outside the camps and also in city centres. Our largest project expenditure category aims to reach as many of these as we are able to.

Northern Greece:

The city of Thessaloniki is the first major point of arrival for refugees who cross the Turkish land border.

Three Peas continued to support **Sindos Community Centre**, on the outskirts of Thessaloniki, within the heart of a refugee housing project. Run on a day-to-day basis by our partner organisation on the ground **IsraAID** the centre has acted as a hub since 2017 offering hope, stability, support and education to a community at times approaching 700 including a large number of unaccompanied minors aged under 18. Programmes have included Greek and English language classes for all ages, psychological support by trained psychologists, health and anxiety workshops, early learning programmes, family support, CV development and interview training. During lockdowns when the premises had to close, all these programmes continued to run very effectively online via Zoom and YouTube. Sadly the NGOs running the housing programmes decided to close all their apartments in Sindos at the end of April, so there was no longer a community for the centre to support. IsraAID continued to run their online programmes from an office in Thessaloniki but with the community dispersed, many on the streets without reliable internet access, attendance dwindled and so IsraAID ceased activity at the end of August.

Wave Thessaloniki has been our partner on the ground in Thessaloniki for over a year now, a volunteer-run food project providing meals and basic essentials to those who sleep rough in the city. In addition they provide shoes, clothing, sleeping bags and other essential items. During lockdowns their costs were substantially increased due to the need for individually packaged Covid-safe take-away meals. They have been a lifeline for many.

Athens:

This year we partnered up with **Steps**, an organisation serving the refugee and homeless community, funding its food voucher programme. In addition, our long-term partner **Refugee4Refugees** has extended its operations to Athens opening a warehouse providing clothing and other essentials. We funded a purchase by our partner **Attika Human Support** with a purchase of 55,000 babies' nappies.

Islands: Samos and Lesbos

These larger islands off the Turkish coast are often the first landing point in Greece for large numbers of refugees who attempt the dangerous crossing by sea.

Following the Samos earthquake and subsequent fire in Vathy camp we provided emergency support via a new partner, **Just Action**, with whom we have continued to work to provide on-going relief, including assistance with the purchase of a minivan. We also continue to support a community kitchen on the island, **Project Armonia**, and we held an online fundraiser to provide 6,000 meals throughout Ramadan which raised 7,376 €.

On Lesbos we have continued to support our partner **Attika Human Support** with their warehouse and food-distribution programme.

Refugee4Refugees (see Athens above) run warehouses on Lesbos and Samos, which we also support.

HOUSING PROJECTS: LESVOS AND NORTHERN GREECE

In the early stages of the refugee crisis Three Peas worked together with the International Organisation for Migration and the UN Refugee Agency on temporary housing solutions in northern Greece. However as fewer refugees are now able to seek reunion with family members elsewhere in Europe and most are therefore awaiting the correct papers to remain in Greece, average length of housing has increased. During 2020/21 we have supported two houses on the island of Lesbos in a project run by **Attika Human Support** and an apartment outside Thessaloniki, northern Greece, all with longer-term tenants.

LEGAL AID

The process for enabling unaccompanied minors seeking to apply for “family reunion” with family members already in another European country is complicated and costly involving legal intervention. Three Peas supported **Better Days**, an NGO based on Lesbos, whose “Project Themida” makes it possible for these young people, some as young as 9, to be reunited with their families in other European destination countries.

SPORTS AND EDUCATION

Three Peas helped establish a sports project in Athens in 2019, initially called Project “Hiwa” (meaning “hope” in Kurdish) which was founded by a refugee, run by and for refugees. The project was taken over by an NGO, **Yoga & Sport with Refugees**, at the end of 2020 and all activities are accessible and free to all, including locals, which also helps to improve community integration. Activities include Football, Running, Boxing, various Martial Arts, Yoga and Zumba. Sport and exercise are essential for mental and physical wellbeing and our funding has provided for coaches and teachers as well as renting indoor space. Premises had to close during Lockdowns, but training and activities were able to continue outside.

We supported an educational project on the island of Chios run by **Action for Education**.

AID DELIVERIES

In December 2020 our long-term supporter Britax-Römer generously donated 450 prams and buggies, 350 nursery bags, 300 cosytoes bags and 270 large rucksacks in two 40-foot containers. Three Peas funded transportation costs from Germany to Lesvos.

PROJECT EXPENDITURE 2020/21

	£
Community spaces and camps	55,686
Housing	18,642
Emergency and rescue	10,534
Sports & education	6,300
Legal Aid	2,146
Aid deliveries	9,108
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	102,416

4. FUNDRAISING

We are also immensely grateful to our supporters who donate privately, both through regular giving and one-off donations, and through the generosity of all our private supporters we raised a total of £38,628.

We are fortunate in having the enthusiastic support of our patron Axel Scheffler, illustrator of the highly popular children's book "The Gruffalo", and through his initiative we have benefitted from the generosity of Scholastic publishers' hugely successful children's book "Kind" a book about kindness, with illustrations donated by 38 illustrators, from which Three Peas receives a donation for each copy sold. In this financial year their sales have raised £56,252 for Three Peas.

5. FUTURE PLANS

With refugee numbers constantly on the rise, and the Covid situation continuing to make life so difficult for refugees, we plan to continue to work with the organisations we currently support, with whom we have built strong relationships. As refugees continue to be moved on from the Greek islands to the mainland, we expect more of our funds to be channelled into community projects for those in the city, many homeless. We continue to respond to emergency situations as they arise with supplies and funding, and to encourage sustainability.

6. THANK YOU

Many volunteers contribute to Three Peas' activities in a variety of ways, through helping at events with catering, organising, and hosting, and through their own fundraising efforts on our behalf. We would particularly like to thank our team of Three Peas 'Angels' for their tireless support in this respect. Our sincere thanks go to Axel Scheffler our Patron.

Our grateful thanks also go to all our funders, including Britax-Römer for their donations in kind, and Scholastic publishers for their donations from sales of "Kind", written by Alison Green with illustrations by Axel Scheffler and 38 other generous artists.

7. FINANCIAL REVIEW

This financial period of the Charity is for the 12 months ended 30th September 2021.

At the balance sheet date, the Charity had free reserves amounting to £99,640 being the excess of income over expenditure generated on unrestricted funds since commencement. During the year the Charity provided funds of £103,033 to support refugees in Greece.

As noted above the Charity relies heavily on voluntary support and donations. An accurate estimate of the monetary value for this could not be determined and therefore no account of these is recorded in the financial statements.

The Charity does not have a reserves policy at present, but it seeks to ensure that it continues to raise sufficient income to allow it to continue to provide support as and when it is required.

8. DECLARATIONS

The trustees declare that they have taken advantage of the small companies' exemption in preparing the report above.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the trustees of Three Peas

Signature: 

Full Name: Martina Riot

Position: Trustee

Date: 20th December 2021

Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees of Three Peas

I report on the accounts of Three Peas for the period ended 30th September 2021, which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and the related notes, set out on pages 11 to 12.

This report is made solely to the Charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 8 of the Charities Act 2011. My examination 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 examination, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Charity's Trustees consider 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 Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act; and
- 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 Commissioners. 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 a 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 Examiner's Statement

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

- a) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 145 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
- b) 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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20th December 2021

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Statement of Financial Activities For the year to 30th September 2021

	<u>Note</u>	<u>30 September 2021</u>	<u>30 September 2020</u>
Income and endowments:			
Grants and private donations		38,628	43,455
Donation from book sales		56,252	81,798
Interest received		3	-
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Total		94,883	125,253
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Expenditure on			
Raising funds	3	881	355
Charitable activities	4	103,033	77,425
Other costs	5	2,148	2,739
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Total		106,062	80,519
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Other gains/(losses) – foreign exchange		(36)	15
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Net movements in funds		(11,215)	44,749
Total funds brought forward		110,855	66,106
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Total funds carried forward at 30 th September 2021		£99,640	£110,855
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In the year to 30th September 2020 a restricted grant of £15,406 relating to the Sindos Community Centre was received. Expenditure on charitable activities in the year to 30th September 2021 includes £9,151 (2020 - £6,255) in respect of this grant.

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Balance Sheet as at 30th September 2021

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
	£	£
Current Assets		
Cash at bank	99,922	111,275
Cash in hand	750	830
Accrued income	218	-
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	100,890	112,105
Current liabilities		
Creditors	(1,250)	(1,250)
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Net current assets	99,640	110,855
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Total net assets	<u>99,640</u>	<u>110,855</u>
Represented by:		
Restricted funds	-	9,151
Unrestricted funds	99,640	101,704
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	<u>99,640</u>	<u>110,855</u>

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 20th December 2021 and signed on their behalf by:



Martina Riot

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Financial Statements for the year ended 30th September 2021

Notes

1. Background

Three Peas is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation registered in England and Wales under registration number 1172777 and its principal office is 54 Mount Ararat Road, Richmond, TW10 6PJ.

2. Principal Accounting Policies

(a) Basis of accounting

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1st January 2015), (Charities SORP FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Three Peas meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost.

(b) Going concern

The ability of the charity to undertake its activities is largely dependent upon the receipt of donations and revenue from trading activities. Those revenues cannot be guaranteed and are heavily dependent upon the efforts and contributions of the trustees.

The trustees manage the activities of the charity based upon its level of reserves and anticipated guaranteed future income. Because of this the trustees consider that the continuing viability of the trust is assured and that it is therefore appropriate to prepare accounts on the going concern basis.

(c) Incoming resources

Incoming resources are accounted for on a receivable basis and recognised in the period in which the charity is entitled to the funds, any performance conditions attached to an award have been met, it is probable that income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably

(d) Expenses

Expenses are accounted for on an accruals basis.

(e) Reserves

Income received for a restricted purpose less related expenditure is recorded as a restricted fund. All other income is recorded as unrestricted.

(f) Foreign currencies

Monetary assets and liabilities are translated into pounds sterling at the exchange rate prevailing at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated at the rate prevailing at the date of the transaction. Gains or losses arising on the retranslation of balance sheet items are accounted for in the Statement of Financial Activities.

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3. Expenditure on raising funds

	<u>2021</u> £	<u>2020</u> £
Events	-	-
Publicity and other costs	881	355
	<u>881</u>	<u>355</u>

4. Expenditure on Charitable Activities

	<u>2021</u> £	<u>2020</u> £
Project expenditure	102,416	76,759
Miscellaneous expenditure	617	666
	<u>103,033</u>	<u>77,425</u>

5. Other Costs

	<u>2021</u> £	<u>2020</u> £
Accountancy (including independent examiner's fee of £750)	1,718	2,212
Bank charges	430	443
General administration costs	-	84
	<u>2,148</u>	<u>2,739</u>

The Charity had no employees and no trustees received any expenses. The Trustees are considered to be the key management of the charity.

6. Reserves

	Restricted Reserves £	Unrestricted Reserves £	Total Reserves £
At 1 st October 2020	9,151	101,704	110,855
Excess of expenditure over income	(9,151)	(2,178)	(11,215)
At 30 th September 2021	<u>-</u>	<u>99,640</u>	<u>99,640</u>

The restricted reserves were in respect of the Sindos Community Centre.