



Sheffield Health Action Resource for Ethiopia

Also known as SHARE

Charity registration number: 1173972

Trustees' Annual Report for the period: 1st April 2025 to 31st March 2026

Objectives and Activities

SHARE's objective is to support sustainable improvements in healthcare in Ethiopia, with a particular focus on the Tigray region. This is achieved through collaboration between healthcare professionals, skills exchange, knowledge sharing, and community engagement.

During the reporting period, no visits to Ethiopia took place due to ongoing civil unrest following the civil war that began in November 2020. Activities were therefore delivered remotely, with Trustees and partners maintaining communication via email and WhatsApp where possible.

In planning activities, the Trustees have had due regard to Charity Commission guidance on public benefit.

Achievements and Performance

Through 2025/26 there were no visits to Tigray.

Despite significant operational constraints, the charity continued to support partners remotely and focused on projects where meaningful impact could be achieved.

Dentistry and Forensic Odontology

A key achievement during the year was the successful completion of a PhD by Dr Birke at King's College London in December 2025. Her research examined the strengthening and

redevelopment of healthcare systems following war and conflict, including Ethiopia. Her work was presented internationally and formally recognised by King's College London.

Elshadai Wukro Children's Village - now known as The Elroi Community Development (July 2025)

The charity maintained regular communication with Elshadai Wukro Children's Village, now known as Elroi Community Development. SHARE continued to support sponsored children and held funds as requested due to banking and organisational changes.

During the year, Elroi Community Development achieved independent legal status, adopted a board-led governance structure, and received formal recognition from the Tigray Bureau of Justice.

Diabetes Project

The charity supported a one-year UK fellowship in Endocrinology for Dr Merhawit, completed in December 2024. On returning to Ethiopia, Dr Merhawit became the only Endocrinology Consultant serving the Tigray region. This represents a significant and lasting contribution to specialist diabetes care in the region.

Food Program

In February 2025, funds were redirected towards a time-limited supplementary nutrition programme at Ayder Referral Hospital in Mekelle, supporting patients in the Burns Unit and Paediatric Haematology/Oncology services.

The programme was implemented with clear governance and reporting arrangements agreed with senior hospital leadership. Independent clinical feedback confirmed improved nutritional quality, positive impacts on patient recovery, and improving infection rates. The charity agreed to fund additional kitchen staff and essential logistical costs to support delivery.

Formal letters of recognition were received from the Tigray Regional Health Bureau and Ayder Referral Hospital in acknowledgement of SHARE's continued support.

In November 2025, we received the following documents from the hospital for both the Mama project and also the food project.



https://drive.google.com/file/d/1YmMXyT_Fz8Sj5v6GHkhl_5Y_NLi_hpqu/view?usp=sharing

Above is a certificate of gratitude from the head of Tigray Regional Health Bureau, Dr Amanuel Haile

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1eQfCLu00ltzaAqNg5Kh13chl_mR5H5GY/view?usp=sharing

Above is a letter of recognition for SHARE's continued support to Ayder Referral Hospital, Mekelle

Completed projects

We handed our Mamakit project to Whittan, a German charity, in December 2024, who continue to fund and roll out the project.

Financial report

The charity is primarily funded through voluntary donations from members and supporters. An operational reserve of £5,000 has been maintained.

The Trustees consider the charity's principal financial risk to be the unpredictability of year-to-year income. Reduced income would limit the charity's ability to support exchanges or visits with partner organisations when conditions allow.

Detailed financial records are maintained for project expenditure, including the food and nutrition programme.

	2024-25 (this year)	2023-24 (Last Year)
Receipts		
Adhoc donations	£ 2,230	£ 7,210
Elshadai	£ 5,517	£ 4,691
Mama kit	£ 195	£ 111
Kent midwives (closing)	n/a	£ 14,026
	£ 7,942	£ 26,038
Payments		
Fundraising & Publicity	£ 105	£ -
Projects	£ 2,906	£ -
Elshadai Children's Village	£ 5,015	£ 7,000
MamaKit	£ 5,092	£ -
Burns	£ 5,000	n/a
	£ 18,118	£ 7,000
Summary		
Brought forward	£ 35,120	£ 16,094
Receipts	£ 7,942	£ 26,026
Payments	£ 18,118	£ 7,000
Carried forward	£ 24,944	£ 35,120

Plans for Future Periods

The Trustees will continue to monitor the security situation in Ethiopia and aim to resume in-country collaboration when it is safe to do so. In the interim, SHARE will focus on remote support, maintaining partnerships, and deploying funds where they can deliver clear public benefit.

Structure, Governance and Management

SHARE was formed in 2000 as an organisation with charitable objectives. In July 2017 it became a CIO, and is governed by a constitution which was updated at the time of becoming a CIO. It is available via our website www.sharesheffield.org.uk under "About Us"

As well as Trustees, we have volunteers who offer their services and expertise supporting the charity, as well as participating in visits to our partners in Ethiopia. However with the current civil unrest and previous civil war, it has not been safe for us to visit.

We define an active volunteer as someone who has interacted with the charity in the last 24 months. This could be by attending a meeting, fundraising, talking to a Trustee or working on a project.

We class active volunteers to be members of the charity, and they are expected to abide by a set of membership rules which are available via our website www.sharesheffield.org.uk under “About Us”

We have Memorandums of Understandings between us and our main partners in Ethiopia: Tigray Regional Health Board, Ayder Referral Hospital, The Elroi Community Development, Mekelle Hospital, and Daerere Laboratory.

Reference and Administrative details	Sheffield Health Action Resource for Ethiopia
Charity name	
Other name the charity uses	SHARE
Registered charity number	1173972
Correspondence address	c/o 27 Psalter Lane Sheffield, S11

The charity is managed by the following Trustees

Dr Cariad Evans (Honorary Chair), Anne Russell, Jane Boyce, Simon Temple (Honorary Treasurer), Prof Solomon Tesfaye and Simone Naylor (secretary)

Dr Claire Ryan stood down as per the maximum term for Trustees, as defined in our constitution, and the other Trustees served for the full 12 months of the year.

Financial report

Account of Receipts and Payments for financial year end

Declarations

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' Report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity Trustees Feb 24th 2026

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

Cariad Evans	Simon Temple
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Position

Honorary Chair	Honorary Treasurer
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