

Charity number: 1174792

LEGACY OF WAR FOUNDATION

**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
ACCOUNTS**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2020

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LEGACY OF WAR FOUNDATION

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE FOUNDATION AND ITS TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

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Charity registered number

1174792

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Charitable objects:

The objects of the CIO are

1. The relief of financial need and suffering among victims of war/armed conflict throughout the world in the form of providing funding and support to partner NGOs and implementation of independent projects in direct support of civilians affected by armed conflict
2. To advance the education of the public and persons in authority concerning the prevention and reduction of armed conflict, in particular but not exclusively, by raising awareness of the terrible consequences of armed conflict through highlighting individual stories from conflict and post-conflict areas, organising exhibitions, talks and school visits on issues related to armed conflicts.

TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the company for the year 1st January 2020 – 31st December 2020

Structure, governance and management

a. Constitution

Legacy of War Foundation was registered as a CIO on September 22nd, 2017 and is a registered charity number 1174792.

The principal object of the charity is the support of communities and individuals rebuilding lives after conflict and education/advocacy on wars' long-term impact.

b. Trustees

None of the Trustees were employed by the Trust or had a financial interest in any contract with the Trust. The Trust does not enter into any related party transactions without seeking advice and approval from the Charity Commission.

Trustees are selected for their professional skills and experience across a variety of areas to which they can contribute towards the effective running of the charity. When a vacancy occurs, a profile of the new Trustee Director is agreed, and various methods of finding suitable candidates are used depending upon the expertise required. References are obtained for any new Trustee Director.

c. Organisational structure

The CEO, Giles Duley, was appointed by the Board and reports directly to them. The CEO is responsible for achieving the mission of the organisation by implementing the Trust's policy and strategy, and for all areas of its operations, including fundraising, charitable activities, and communications. The CEO is supported by a team of volunteers and part time consultants.

d. Risk management

Risk assessments are carried out internally by the CEO and his team. Risks are analysed according to their potential impact together with actions that either have been or will be taken in mitigation.

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the charity and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate our exposure to the major risks.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Aims and objectives

Our mission statement is simple – to help individuals and communities rebuild their own lives after the trauma of war. Whether physical, psychological or economic we help facilitate the goals and ambitions of those we work with.

We do not see ourselves as a charity; rather a partner organisation that provides the tools, training, education and other support that enables people to shape their own futures.

Supplying prosthesis, educational scholarships, specialised prosthetic training and land for women are just some of our on-going and planned projects. Our ethos is to fund programs that are appropriate, affordable and sustainable.

We build projects around the beneficiaries' needs and they take the lead in suggesting appropriate support. Our aim is that each program becomes self-sufficient within five years. Whilst our support and friendship remains, we believe projects should be run by those whose lives are most invested in them.

We also work to support artists whose work and lives have been impacted by war. Again, we do not offer them charity, rather enable them to continue working and get their art recognised by a wider audience.

The final strand of our work is in education and widening the discourse about the impact of war on civilians and its long-term consequences.

As an organisation we stand for equal rights, equal opportunities and aim to set an example within the sector. We avoid the need for expensive offices or inflated wages. Our aim is to have 90% of funds raised go to beneficiaries.

Achievements and performance

Review of activities for the year 1st January 2020 – 31st December 2020

Hastings Support the NHS - 2020

As with many NGOs we adapted to support our community and the NHS during the first months of the Covid-19 pandemic. We felt our skill set and contacts could be beneficial.

While many of our locally-led overseas projects were able to continue during lockdown, our UK-based team were unable to travel, and many of our educational and advocacy events were postponed. With the extra time lockdown afforded us, we asked the NHS staff in our communities how we could help them.

We heard from hospital staff who were walking miles to get home after night shifts due to limited public transport. GP Surgeries and health centres reported they were unable to access vital PPE. Nurses told us intensive handwashing and additional PPE left them with painful, cracked skin. So we set to work to give back to our NHS.

- 50000 items of PPE delivered
- 50000 sachets of handcreams delivered
- 1300 completely free taxi journeys for NHS staff

We raised over £10,000 to support this work, but this was not done through fundraising or by use of LoWF's core funds. The monies were raised through auctions and sales of prints, artworks and other items.

Vulnerable Family Assistance: Lebanon 2016 – present

Since 2016 our CEO Giles Duley has been managing a fund to support vulnerable Syrian families living as refugees in Lebanon. On the founding of LoWF, the managing of this project was taken over by the charity.

Currently we are supporting three families in Lebanon and two families who have been resettled in Europe. The fund ensures education, shelter and healthcare for families that otherwise would not have been supported.

This work has become harder due to the financial crisis in Lebanon. With inflation the project costs increased by threefold.

Land For Women: Rwanda 2018 – present

In August 2018 LoWF partnered with GISH on a crowdfunding campaign to raise funds for our Land For Women project. The project aims to support women to empower themselves through land ownership and co-operative farms for female genocide survivors in Rwanda. In 2019 the first cooperative, the Icyizere Ruhanga Cooperative, was officially founded and we purchased three plots of land (19,929 sqm) that were given to the women for use as allotment farming.

During 2020 our opportunities to expand the project were limited by the Covid-19 pandemic. We however saw this as an opportunity to work on research and developing the model. We also began the process of registering as an NGO in Rwanda.

- In 2019 we 132 family members were supported by the cooperative
- Gasabo District, Kigali City, Rwanda
- 3 hectares of land
- Sustainably grown squash, sugar cane, beans and potatoes

Landmine Clearance and Victim Assistance: Laos 2019 – 2020

In August 2019 LoWF partnered with GISH on a crowdfunding campaign to raise funds for the clearance of Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) in Laos and to offer victim assistance to amputees in the country. We allocated two grants of £76,000 to our partners MAG (Mines Advisory Group) and HI (Humanity and Inclusion).

These projects were delayed due to Covid-19, but began to operate in August 2020

So far, the MAG team supported by LoWF in Khammouane province has:

Responded to 836 soot tasks in 32 villages
Removed 2,276 items of explosive ordnance
Helped 6,827 people who were in danger from these Unexploded Bombs

Education and Advocacy projects: 2020

Naturally during this period in person talks and advocacy projects were unable to happen. However, the team took this as an opportunity to increase our reach through online events. Our CEO, Giles Duley, was able to continue his relationships with schools already in our network, but also gave online talks to five new schools.

He was also able to organize online events with brands and potential supporters such as WISH and WeTransfer

Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit in determining their charitable activities for the year, in line with the Charity's aims and objectives.

The Trustees are satisfied that all charitable activities during the year are for the benefit of the public and that the benefits of each and every charitable activity are clearly identifiable.

Covid Impact

Like most NGOs the Covid pandemic has had a large impact on our fundraising. Most specifically it meant our usual crowdfunding campaign with GISH was cancelled; this would normally bring in £180,000 of revenue for projects. Our core funding was also impacted as generally these funds have been raised at in person events, such as dinners and exhibitions.

Financial Review

At the year end the charity held £20,761 in bank accounts.

Reserves Policy

The Trustees aim to keep sufficient in reserves to ensure the future of the charity, but otherwise it is their policy to keep reserves to a minimum to maximise the benefits of funds

raised as expeditiously as possible. At the year end, the reserves held were £20,761.

Approved by the Trustees on:

17 November 2021

and signed on their behalf by:

Nick Stainthorpe

Trustee

Legacy of War Foundation		Charity No. 1174792		CC16a
Receipts and payments accounts				
For the period from	01/01/2020	To	31/12/2020	

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
Receipts					
Donations	33,987	14,947	-	48,934	441,258
Sponsorship	-	43,452	-	43,452	-
Interest	9	-	-	9	30
Total receipts	33,996	58,399	-	92,395	441,288
Payments					
Charitable activities	38,495	48,193	-	86,688	424,240
Fundraising costs	1,862	-	-	1,862	17,559
Governance costs	1,756	-	-	1,756	820
Bank charges	104	-	-	104	-
Sub total	42,217	48,193	-	90,410	442,619
Total payments	42,217	48,193	-	90,410	442,619
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 8,221	10,206	-	1,985	- 1,331
Creditor at last year end	-	-	-	-	207
Cash funds last year end	16,074	2,702	-	18,776	19,900
Cash funds this year end	7,853	12,908	-	20,761	18,776

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	CAF Bank	10,556	10,205	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	10,556	10,205	-

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval

Nick Stainthorpe
Salvatore Petrone

Nick Stainthorpe

Salvatore Petrone

17.11.2021

16.11.21



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

**Independent examiner's
report on the accounts**

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees of The Legacy of War Foundation

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 December 2020

Charity no

1174792

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 December 2020.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date:

17/11/21

Name:

VINCENT CHESHIRE

**Relevant professional
qualifications:**

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