



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **1st May 2024** To **30th April 2025**

Charity name: **Our Father's Heart**

Charity registration number: **1175341**

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The objects ('objects') of the CIO for the public benefit and in accordance with Christian principles are to relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health and education (a) of children and young people in Uganda by the provision of funds, goods, or services of any kind in such parts of Uganda or the world as the trustees may from time to time think fit and (b) of disadvantaged young people, and those who are marginalised, vulnerable and socially disconnected in the United Kingdom, to advance in life and relieve needs particularly but not exclusively by the provision of training, resources and mentoring which develop their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as mature and responsible individuals.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>1) The organisation sponsors individual children in Kumi, Uganda to pay for their medical treatment, education and training. The charity's purposes are aimed towards four keys areas, education, empowerment, health and employment:</p> <p>Education: helping children and young people complete a level of education or training that will bring them most benefit, to enable them to break the cycle of poverty. This is done through the financial sponsorship of the children, with the provision of school fees, scholastic materials, and boarding fees where appropriate.</p> <p>Empowerment: helping children and young people to build their confidence and self-belief, to enable them to push through the barriers to employment, done through mentoring from our manager and support</p>

		<p>worker in Uganda via one to ones with the children.</p> <p>Health: helping children and young people develop healthy habits and connect them to medical services when needed. This is carried out through the transportation to and from and access to medical services where needed, as well as the payment for treatments provided. The provision of essential food items where it is identified that there is an extreme lack within the immediate families of our sponsored children to aid their well-being and general health and to ensure they can attend school or training.</p> <p>Employment: help older teenagers to develop workplace and technical skills to change their life through practical employment and business opportunities. The sponsorship program provides technical skills training in the young person's chosen vocation, leading to increased employability with local employers. We also offer financial provision to business start-ups for our trained young adults where it is identified there is a lack of local supply, offering a greater opportunity for a successful business. This includes the provision of required tools, and premises.</p> <p>2) In addition, the organisation benefits people in the York area (UK) who are marginalised, socially disconnected, have a record of unlawful behaviour or an addiction and who struggle to obtain and sustain employment. This is carried out by providing work-based employment opportunities, both paid and voluntary, with one-to-one mentoring to facilitate the employment. The organisation seeks to offer a person-centred approach around the employment offering the best chance of sustaining it, with the aim to facilitate sustained employment elsewhere which the charity supports the beneficiary in finding.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees of the charity trustees have complied with the duty in section 4 of the Charities Act 2006 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance as published by the Charity Commission.

Additional information

	SORP reference	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Our Father's Heart has several volunteers, working in various part time roles, ensuring the ongoing viability of the charity. We are incredibly grateful to all they do in this capacity.

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>Uganda</p> <p>During the year, Our Father's Heart has continued to support young people in Uganda from disadvantaged backgrounds.</p> <p>This year the Uganda project has continued to have had financial challenges, with some sponsors stopping their contributions and the increased cost of living and education fees in Uganda making it hard for people's contributions to cover the children's costs.</p> <p>So in order to become more efficient and focus our limited funds on helping the children, a decision was made to close the office with our manager, Robinah, now running the office from her home.</p> <p>We have also continued to get the families of the children to help contribute towards their education, but this has proven difficult coming from such poor communities.</p> <p>Robinah has continued to support and provide for all the children on the project during the year with the help of Samuel Ogwang. Samuel graduated and worked for us full time until September 2025, being involved in all aspects of our work.</p> <p>We also have a local board of 5 trustees who help support the charity on the ground and provide advice on local matters.</p> <p>We have around 20 children now in full time education and accommodation with many of them graduating at the end of 2025.</p> <p>Most of the children we support are now boarding at school as it is very difficult at</p>

		<p>home given their backgrounds. This gives them the maximum support they need to secure a positive future.</p> <p>A few of our children completed their studies in December 2024, and with start-up gifts for equipment we have managed to get them working and blossoming in society. This is always a wonderful time to see how they have grown up in the project and are now managing to function in society.</p> <p>We also are continuing helping towards many health-related situations, with malaria affecting almost all our children and staff for prolonged periods.</p> <p>A few of our street children have been released from prison with no charges. This was wonderful news for them as they have been stuck waiting for judges since 2021. We arranged to have care packages for them to help them reintegrate into society and work.</p> <p>We are also continuing supporting local desperate families that are in need, providing food and equipment as needed.</p> <p>The project continues to work on a small scale and depends on UK sponsors to support and see the children through their education.</p> <p>UK</p> <p>The UK project (Chocolate & Co) provides employment opportunities for marginalised people in a café in York which has continued to grow its reputation over the year, winning the York Press Best Coffee Shop in December 2024. They also won BBC Radio York's Make a Difference Community Award and in August 2025, some of our team were delighted to attend an awards ceremony to celebrate winning this award.</p> <p>During the year the Chocolate & Co has successfully transitioned 6 of our beneficiaries into employment elsewhere in York.</p> <p>We made the decision not to renew our "Wellbeing & outreach co-ordinator" role during the year which reduced the outreach we do in the local community but allowed us to focus on the core employment project. We do continue to take hot</p>
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		<p>chocolates into the local homeless hostel on a fortnightly basis to build relationships.</p> <p>We receive funding for free counselling for our beneficiaries, and this continues to be a powerful tool to help support them. We are delighted to be able to report that having secured funding for a third year, more will be able to access this service.</p> <p>Our Pay-It-Forward initiative system continues to grow with more attendees every week and we have been generously supported by our local food bank as well as our wonderful café customers in this provision.</p> <p>The café income does not cover all costs for the charity, and we continue to seek other sources of funding from grants and other sources available to us.</p> <p>This reporting period has seen the UK project complete its transition to full charitable status, with the lease being transferred into the new "Chocolate & Co" charity in May 2025. Therefore, all operational activities of the UK project will be within the new charity in the next financial year.</p> <p>We are incredibly grateful to all our funders and volunteers who have supported the progress of our UK project, and we look forward to continuing the work we are doing.</p>
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Financial Review

<p>Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period</p>	<p>Para 1.21</p>	<p>Net outgoing resources for the year amounted to £36,988 (2023/24: incoming of £30,388), and this total has been reduced the total funds carried forward in the statement of assets and liabilities.</p> <p>The Ugandan project resources reduced by £5,350 in the year. This was because of the financial challenges with reduced contributions and increasing costs in Uganda.</p> <p>The UK project designated funds reduced by £11,831 in the year and the UK project restricted funds reduced by £19,808 in the year.</p> <p>This was because a lot of the unrestricted and restricted voluntary income raised for the UK project was donated to the new Chocolate & Co charity after it had been set up on 1st August 2024. This was in anticipation of the trading activities being transferred from the Our Father's Heart UK project in May 2025.</p> <p>Looking at both charities together the UK project designated funds increased by £10,412 and the restricted funds increased by £4,362.</p>
<p>Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held</p>	<p>Para 1.22</p>	<p>The total reserves held by the charity are £100,301. These consist of a combination of general reserves £66,445 (held as unrestricted and designated funds) and restricted funds £33,856.</p> <p>The general reserves are held to enable the charity to carry out its day-to-day functions. The charity's reserve policy is to hold between 4 months of associated costs for both the Uganda and UK sides of the charity, to allow for any periods of reduced income to facilitate and maintain the charitable purposes for the beneficiaries.</p> <p>The general reserves within the charity are below where we would expect them to be at the year-end which would be £95,071 (total costs are £285,215).</p> <p>This is because there are £22,242 of general reserves in the new Chocolate & Co in preparation anticipation of the trading activities being transferred from the Our Father's Heart UK project on 1st May 2025.</p>

		The restricted reserves of £33,856 are held for the purpose of specified purposes for the UK side of the charity. The trustees have agreed that these will be transferred to the new Chocolate & Co charity when the trading activities are transferred during 2024/25.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£100,301
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	n/a
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	n/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	n/a

Additional information

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	<p>The principal sources of funds are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • grants for specific purposes and • charitable donations from individuals and businesses.
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Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustees have previously been selected through their interest in the activity of the charity and the commitment they can offer. As we grow, we are identifying areas we require particular skills and recruiting accordingly

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Our Father's Heart
Other name the charity uses	Chocolate & Co
Registered charity number	1175341
Charity's principal address	4 Mansfield House Lowther Street York

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Rachel Bell			
2	Ben Gaddass		1 st May 2024 to 25 th June 2024	
3	Lorena Healey			
4	Bryan Elder			
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Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	n/a
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	n/a
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	n/a

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

n/a

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

n/a

Other optional information

n/a

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>Mooley</i>	<i>RBDD</i>
Full name(s)	<i>Lorena Mooley</i>	<i>RACHEL BELL</i>
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	<i>Chair of Trustees</i>	<i>TRUSTEE</i>
Date	<i>16/12/2025</i>	



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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period
from

1st May 2024

To

30th April 2025

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted (Designated) funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Voluntary income	22,923	9,986	69,045	101,953	131,538
Activities for generating funds	-	126,707	-	126,707	91,257
Other income	-	19,311	-	19,311	21,459
Investment income	-	256	-	256	1,017
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	22,923	156,259	69,045	248,227	245,271
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	22,923	156,259	69,045	248,227	245,271
A3 Payments					
Donations paid (overseas work)	25,781	-	-	25,781	20,579
Personnel costs	-	72,565	59,601	132,166	84,063
Cost of sales	-	59,200	1,246	60,447	37,820
Refitting café	-	617	-	617	32,520
Overheads	2,492	35,707	28,005	66,204	39,901
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	28,272	168,090	88,853	285,215	214,884
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	28,272	168,090	88,853	285,215	214,884
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 5,350	- 11,831	- 19,808	- 36,988	30,388
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	33,699	49,926	53,664	137,289	106,901
Cash funds this year end	28,350	38,095	33,856	100,301	137,289

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank accounts	66,445	33,856
		-	-
		-	-
	Total cash funds	66,445	33,856

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-
			-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
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			-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-
			-
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			-
			-

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

Signature

Print Name

Healey
R Bell

Lorena Healey
RACHEL BELL

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Our Father's Heart, a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) Charity Registration Number 1175341.

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Our Father's Heart for the year to 30 April 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees 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 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.

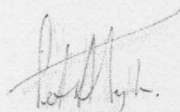
Independent examiner's statement

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 as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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:



Name: Peter Taylor, Taylor-Made Accountancy Ltd

Address: 36 Alwyne Grove, Shipton Road, York YO30 5RT

Date: 24 November 2025