



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	01	2022		31	12	2022

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

Beyond Conflict

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1176499

Charity's principal address

C/O RDC, HOWARD KENNEDY,

NO 1 LONDON BRIDGE

LONDON

Postcode

SE1 9BG

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	Edna Fernandes	Trustee (Co-Founder)	Whole Year	
2	Edmund Newell	Trustee (Chair)	Whole Year	
3	John Tress	Trustee (Financial Trustee)	Whole Year	
4	Kishan Manocha	Trustee	Whole Year	
5	Gillian Dare	Trustee	Whole Year	
6	Abda Mahmood	Trustee	Whole Year	
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

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Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Through personal networks and by consensus agreement among existing members of the Board.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

All Trustees are given a copy of the Charity Commission's Guidance on the role and responsibilities of charities and are required to review these. We have not implemented any formal training procedures for new trustees. Trustees are only invited to join the board if they are seen to be sufficiently experienced and have approval of all the existing board members. Trustees are also reminded of key definitions such as the definition of public benefit and their role as trustees on a regular basis.

As a small charity we work with a number of individuals and organisations to assist us in delivering our work. These include advisors such as legal counsel, mental health experts and media and fundraising experts. People taking up advisory positions are also subject to board approval before we begin working with them.

We have three formal partnerships in place: one in Bangladesh to serve frontline workers and refugees in the Rohingya Refugee camp, Cox's Bazar. Our partner there is Global Development Corp (GDC), led by a former UNHCR Director Golam Abbas. The second partnership is with the British-Iraqi charity, the Al Khoei Foundation, and its subsidiary Al Kawthar to help widows and orphans in southern Iraq. The third partnership is with the Ukrainian Welcome Centre based out of the Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral in Mayfair, which helps to support Ukrainian refugees who have been displaced to the UK after the war in Ukraine.

As an organisation we consider our key risk areas to be the safety of the volunteers and partners working on the ground. A second risk associated with our work because of the countries we work in is the need to be aware of avoiding unintentional terrorist financing. We have continued to take several steps to mitigate these risks.

For example, we have continued to focus on ensuring that any face-to-face meetings that take place on behalf of the Charity's operations are carried out in a responsible manner to reduce the risk to those taking part. We will continue to assess the lessons learnt in the wake of Covid and will continue to implement safety protocols to reduce the risk to anyone who attends in person events ran by the charity.

In order to reduce the risk of working abroad we have implemented several safeguards. These include partnering with trusted organisations that already have a respected presence and experience working on the ground in the countries we are working in.

Our trustees attend Webinars by the Charities Commission including "Risks and Requirements when operating in cash internationally" to improve our knowledge around the risks and things to look out for when paying for projects in foreign countries. Our Director and Board also keep in regular contact with the CC with regard to potential issues as and when they come up.

We maintain a risk register and a safeguarding policy that is reviewed regularly and updated to ensure that they remain relevant and cover all foreseeable risks.

Section C

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

- 1) THE PRESERVATION AND PROTECTION OF MENTAL HEALTH AMONG ADULTS AND CHILDREN SUFFERING FROM PSYCHOLOGICAL TRAUMA IN ZONES OF DISPLACEMENT AND CONFLICT, STARTING WITH PROJECTS IN BANGLADESH AND IRAQ. THE CHARITY DOES THIS BY THE PROVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH TRAINING AND SUPPORT FOR FRONTLINE WORKERS, DELIVERED IN CONJUNCTION WITH EXPERTS ON THE GROUND.
- 2) THE ADVANCEMENT OF TRAINING FRONTLINE WORKERS IN POST CONFLICT ZONES/REFUGEE CAMPS. TO HELP FRONTLINE WORKERS GAIN KNOWLEDGE TO SUPPORT THEIR WORK HELPING VULNERABLE REFUGEES/CIVILIANS SUFFERING FROM POST CONFLICT/DISPLACEMENT TRAUMA.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

In 2022 we have been heavily focused on progressing our existing projects but also expanded our work by taking on a new project with regard to Ukraine.

Rohingyas: In March 2022, the charity funded a scoping mission to the Cox's Bazar refugee camp in Bangladesh, which is home to more than 1 million Rohingya refugees who fled the 2017 genocide of their people in Myanmar. This built on our previous work with GDC that aimed to provide mental health training to frontline workers from 7 NGOs serving refugees in the camp, including setting up a referral pathway to psychiatric support and a telephone helpline. The March 2022 scoping mission was carried out by our partner GDC and achieved the following:

- 1) Refresher training for local NGO frontline staff that took part in previous training sessions in 2020/21.
- 2) MHPS training sessions for newly identified NGO staff working in the camp.
- 3) Explored ways to create a permanent referral pathway in the camp.
- 4) Held detailed talks with frontline staff and NGO heads to identify challenges and gaps in the area of mental health and psychosocial support for refugees. Discussed possible interventions and a way to form a consortium to create a framework in the camp to support refugees and continue training frontline workers. The aim here was to establish a feasible way forward for our work in the camp.
- 5) This scoping mission led to GDC developing a fully-costed strategy for the next stage of the project to continue training for NGO workers and create community support projects for single mothers in the camp in need of practical and mental health support. BC aims to raise these funds to continue this work and extend help to refugee women directly through community workshops.

Ukraine: With the full-scale invasion of Ukraine by Russia in February 2022 and the ensuing war, Beyond Conflict decided to support Ukrainian refugees displaced by this war. The war led to the biggest exodus of people since World War Two.

At the start of the war the Board launched a Ukraine appeal and then donated £9,000 to three frontline NGOs supporting Ukrainian refugees and mental health on the Ukraine/Polish border. This was from existing funds and donations from our generous supporters. We supported:

- * Polish Humanitarian Action which used some of BC's money for refugee reception centres for Ukrainians that include mental health support.
- * FDS in Poland which spent BC's money on providing medicine, clothing, sanitary products for refugees as well as support for accommodation for 5 refugees who were homeless.
- * FDS also referred some of those refugees to professional psychiatric assessment/support.

Separately, BC established a partnership with the Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral in Mayfair and the Ukrainian Welcome Centre ("UWC"), which is a charitable foundation set up in conjunction with the Cathedral in order to provide support to displaced Ukrainians coming to London.

We worked with the Cathedral and UWC to put on a fundraising concert

<p>on Armistice Day 2022 to focus on the impact of war upon children. The concert featured The Cry, composed by our ambassador, Adrian Snell. This concert also involved performances of traditional music by Ukrainian musicians and featured a collaboration with the choir of Alleyn's School in London. The concert was a huge success helping Beyond Conflict to raise awareness and £7,193. The net profit ran to many thousands of pounds and was donated directly to the UWC to help them continue with the important work they were doing to help support displaced Ukrainians. One quarter of that money was also forwarded to an IDP centre in Ukraine itself.</p> <p>BC's Director built on this by beginning work with the Ukrainian Cathedral and Welcome Centre in December 2022 to establish a music therapy pilot to help traumatised refugees assisted by the UWC. This plan was put into action in 2023.</p> <p>All Trustees were sent and requested to review the Charity Commission's article on public benefit, and this is well understood across the board.</p>

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

<p>A number of volunteers assist the Trustees through pro bono work: legal counsel, Treasurer, mental health advisors, media and fundraising experts.</p> <p>Our charity is run by volunteers at board and operational level that allows us to dedicate all monies raised to the work concerned, barring negligible administrative costs. As we seek to build on our work, we will aim to increase the amount of money we raise and raise our profile online and in the mainstream arena.</p>

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

During 2022 we have achieved the below:

- 1) Beyond Conflict showed it's ability to move fast and to build partnerships quickly after the start of the war in Ukraine. We launched a Ukraine Appeal and donated £9,000 to three frontline NGOs supporting refugees fleeing the war. This money comprised of funds from our coffers as well as monies raised online for Ukraine.
- 2) We forged a Partnership with the UWC and also held a fundraising concert in aid of the UWC within the space of 9 months. This is something that we are extremely proud of as an entirely volunteer-led charity.
- 3) We continued to work with our Rohingya project partner GDC to deliver mental health training via refresher courses and establish an action plan to extend our work further to new NGO frontline workers and research ways to help refugees directly in the camp.
- 4) We had our most successful year for fundraising since incorporation.
- 5) Leveraged the skills of our ambassadors and Trustees to put on a major concert. It took a lot of organisation and leadership to get the choirs, musicians, venue and to sell all the tickets. This was a major logistical and fundraising success.
- 6) The work we undertook this year helped our small charity raise awareness in the national media and advocate on the need for mental health provision for frontline workers and the refugee civilian populations.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

At year end the Charity held £6,311 in reserves. This cash will be used for upcoming projects in the year and we will continue to actively fundraise. However, we do not routinely hold any reserves for specific purposes other than to fund future projects.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

We are currently still primarily funded through donations from the UK Public, however during the year we have run a very successful Fundraising campaign which helped us to bring in over £7,000 to the Charity.

We have spent £11,700 on two projects in the year. These being our support of the people displaced through the Ukrainian war (~£9,000) and also our spend on Phase 2 of our Cox's Bazaar project facilitated by our partner Charity, the GDC (~£2,700).

There was also a further £5,300 raised in the year through our fundraising for our partners in Ukraine which was then paid out in the beginning of 2023.

We remain convinced that this work is urgent and necessary and will continue to build on it going forward.

Section F

Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	EDNA FERNANDES	LUKE TOMKINS
Full name(s)	Edna Fernandes	Luke Tomkins
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Director/ Founding Trustee	Financial Trustee
Date	16/10/2023	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Beyond Conflict

No (if any)

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
1/1/2022

To

Period end date
12/31/2022

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations and Legacies	13,252	-	-	13,252	-
Interest	4	-	-	4	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	13,256	-	-	13,256	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	13,256	-	-	13,256	-
A3 Payments					
Fundraising Expenses	2,075	-	-	2,075	-
Projects	11,732	-	-	11,732	-
Bank Fees	81	-	-	81	-
Other Fees	434	-	-	434	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	14,322	-	-	14,322	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	14,322	-	-	14,322	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 1,066	-	-	- 1,066	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	- 1,066	-	-	- 1,066	-

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	6,311	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	6,311	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	Luke Tomkins	LUKE TOMKINS	10/16/2023	
	Edna Fernandes	EDNA FERNANDES	10/16/2023	