

# MARHABTAYN TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1178022

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2018-04-19

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** TO RELIEVE FINANCIAL HARDSHIP, DISTRESS AND SUFFERING AMONG REFUGEES, INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS, VICTIMS OF NATURAL AND MAN-MADE DISASTERS AND OTHER PEOPLE IN NEED, BY MEANS OF, BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY:• MAKING GRANTS OR LOANS FOR PROVIDING OR PAYING FOR FOOD, CLOTHING, EQUIPMENT, SERVICES AND FACILITIES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE SAID PERSONS;• MAKING GRANTS FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT AND FOR COSTS OF ATTENDING EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE SAID PERSONS;• ADVOCATING FOR THE BENEFIT OF SAID PERSONS;• AND EDUCATING THE PUBLIC ON THE ISSUES AND CHALLENGES FACED BY THE SAID PERSONS FOR PUBLIC BENEFIT.

**Activities:** ACTIVITIES TO HELP NEEDY PERSONS ESPECIALLY REFUGEES

## Classification

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- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations
- **What:** Disability
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

- Lebanon
- Turkey
- Throughout London

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	-	-	-	-
2024-03-31	£3,973	£22,189	-	-
2023-03-31	£16,805	£2,852	-	-
2022-03-31	£3,360	£2,225	-	-
2021-03-31	£7,164	£6,910	-	-
2020-03-31	£14,668	£11,240	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>KHAIRUNNISA DHALA</b>	Chair	2018-03-29
EDWARD THOMAS		2018-03-29
Michael Buehler		2018-03-29
SAWSAN ABOU ZAINEDIN		2018-03-29

**MARHABTAYN TRUST**

England & Wales - Charity number 1178022

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# Accounts

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## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From Period start date To Period end date

Charity name:

Charity registration number:

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<b>To relieve financial hardship, distress and suffering among refugees, internally displaced persons, victims of natural and man-made disasters, and other people in need.</b>
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	<b>Making grants for food, clothing, equipment, services and facilities- Making grants for medical treatment and educational fees- Advocacy- Educating the public on challenges faced by refugees and other people in need.</b>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<b>Yes</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	<b>Grants are made to partner organizations relieving hardship, distress and suffering following an assessment of the partner organization. Partner organizations report on the use of the grant.</b>
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	<b>No investment.</b>
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	<b>Funds are raised through donations and food events. All the work for these events is done by volunteers.</b>
Other		

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## 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><b>We organized two catered events which raised £3,973 and we used this money to provide</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>A grant to cover humanitarian needs in the Occupied Palestinian Territories</b></li> <li>- <b>A grant to support humanitarian needs of refugees in Lebanon</b></li> <li>- <b>A grant to support the survivors of the Turkey/Syria earthquake of 2023. Donations for this grant were given in the previous financial year, during an event in Trafalgar Square, London.</b></li> </ul>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	<b>Our objective for the year was to organize two catered fundraising events and to support events by partner organizations. Our objectives were met.</b>
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	<b>Performance was in line with expectations.</b>
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	<b>No investments were made.</b>
Other		

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<b>On 4 April 2023, the charity held £17,806.39 in its account. Most of this money came from an appeal to support survivors of the Syria-Turkey earthquake. During the course of the year, the charity generated £3,973.42 in revenues, and spent £22,188.73 in donations and expenses. On 4 April 2024, the charity had £1,241.08 in reserve</b>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<b>In order to respond to urgent requests for donations, and to manage any unexpected expenses</b>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<b>£1,241</b>
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	<b>Not applicable</b>
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	<b>Not applicable</b>
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	<b>Not applicable</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	<b>Donations and catered events</b>
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	<b>No investments</b>
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	<b>Reduction in volunteer numbers Reduction in fundraising capacity</b>
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	<b>Constitution</b>
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	<b>CIO Association, registered 19 Aug 2028</b>
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	<b>Trustees are elected and can be removed by members</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	<b>No new trustees have been inducted</b>
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	<b>The charity is made up of volunteer members and volunteer trustees</b>
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	<b>None</b>
Other		

### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Marhabtayn Trust
Other name the charity uses	Marhabtayn Syrian Supper Club
Registered charity number	1178022
Charity's principal address	27 Old Gloucester Street London WC1N 3AX

**Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

	<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Office (if any)</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	<b>Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)</b>
1	Khairunissa Dhala	Chair		Members
2	Sawsan Abou Zainedin			Members
3	Edward Thomas			Members
4	Michael Buehler			Members
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**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

<b>Director name</b>		
<b>Not applicable</b>		

**Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity**

<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	
<b>Not applicable</b>		

## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	<b>None</b>
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Not applicable		

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

Not applicable

## Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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## Other optional information

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## Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Edward Thomas

Full name(s)

Edward Boyd Thomas

Position (eg Secretary,  
Chair, etc)

Trustee

Date

26 Mar 2025



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity name  
Marhabtayn Trust

No (if any)  
1178022

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## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	4 April 20223	To	4-Apr-24
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### 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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>	<b>3,973</b>			<b>3,973</b>	<b>17537</b>
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>3,973</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,973</b>	<b>17,537</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>	<b>-</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>3,973</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,973</b>	<b>17,537</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>	<b>22,189</b>			<b>22189</b>	<b>2907</b>
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>22,189</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>22,189</b>	<b>2,907</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>	<b>-</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>22,189</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>22,189</b>	<b>2,907</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>- 18,216</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 18,216</b>	<b>14,630</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>- 18,216</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 18,216</b>	<b>14,630</b>

# 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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Reserve	1,241	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>1,241</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK


Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>		0	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>		0	-	###
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Edward Thomas	26-Mar-25

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England & Wales - Charity number 1178022

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# Accounts

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## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 4 Apr 2022 to 3 Apr 2023

Charity name: Marhabtayn Trust

Charity registration number: 1178022

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<b>To relieve financial hardship, distress and suffering among refugees, internally displaced persons, victims of natural and man-made disasters, and other people in need.</b>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <b>Making grants for food, clothing, equipment, services and facilities</b></li><li>- <b>Making grants for medical treatment and educational fees</b></li><li>- <b>Advocacy</b></li><li>- <b>Educating the public on challenges faced by refugees and other people in need.</b></li></ul>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<b>Yes</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
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Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	<b>Funds are raised through donations and food events. All the work for these events is done by volunteers.</b>

Other		
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## 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><b>We organized two catered events which raised £2,468 and we used this money to provide</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>A grant to cover fees and other expenses for schools and school students in South Sudan</b></li> <li>- <b>A grant to support the medical needs of refugees and asylum seekers in detention in the UK</b></li> </ul> <p><b>We also supported an event in Trafalgar Square to support survivors of the Turkey/Syria earthquake of 2023. Many people at the event donated £15,579 for earthquake relief. Funds were disbursed at the start of the following financial year.</b></p>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	<b>During Covid, we reduced the number of our catered events, and our objective was to organize two or three events. This objective was met.</b>
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	<b>Performance of fundraising activities was much higher than expected, because the tragedy of the Syria earthquake led to a major increase in donations.</b>
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	<b>No investments were made.</b>
Other		

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<b>The charity had £17,586 in cash at the end of the financial period, of which about £2,000 was in reserve</b>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<b>We use all the money we raise for donations. We keep a reserve in case urgent grants are needed</b>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<b>£1,958 at end of year</b>
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	<b>Not applicable</b>
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	<b>None</b>
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	<b>No uncertainties</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	<b>Donations and catered events/supper clubs</b>
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	<b>No investments</b>
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	<b>Reduction in volunteer numbers Reduction in fundraising capacity</b>
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document ( <a href="#">trust deed</a> , <a href="#">royal charter</a> )	Para 1.25	<b>Constitution</b>
How is the charity constituted? (e.g <a href="#">unincorporated association</a> , <a href="#">CIO</a> )	Para 1.25	<b>CIO Association, registered 19 Aug 2018</b>
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	<b>Trustees are elected and can be removed by members.</b>

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The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	<b>The charity is made up of volunteer members and volunteer trustees</b>
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	<b>None</b>
Other		

### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Marhabtayn Trust
Other name the charity uses	Marhabtayn Syrian Supper Club
Registered charity number	1178022
Charity's principal address	27 OLD GLOUCESTER STREET LONDON WC1N 3AX

**Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

	<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Office (if any)</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	<b>Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)</b>
1	Khairunissa Dhala	Chair		Members
2	Sawsan Abou Zainedin			Members
3	Edward Thomas			Members
4	Michael Buehler			Members
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**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

<b>Director name</b>		
<b>Not applicable</b>		

**Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity**

<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	
<b>Not applicable</b>		

## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
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#### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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## Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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## Other optional information

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## Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Edward Boyd Thomas	
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Trustee	
<b>Date</b>	21 Aug 2024	



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Marhabtayn Trust

1178022

## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period  
from

04-Apr-22


To

03-Apr-23

### 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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>	17,537	0	0	17,537	3,360
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	17,537	-	-	17,537	3,360
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>	17,537	-	-	17,537	3,360
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Donations	2,468	-	-	2,468	2,225
Expenses	379	-	-	379	-
Bank charges	60	-	-	60	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	2,907	-	-	2,907	2,225
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total payments</b>	2,907	-	-	2,907	2,225
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	14,630	-	-	14,630	1,135
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	2,956	-	-	2,956	-
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	17,586	-	-	17,586	1,135

## 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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>		17,586	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>17,586</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	<b>Details</b>	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	<b>Details</b>	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	<b>Details</b>	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	<b>Details</b>	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	
		Edward Thomas	21-Aug-24	

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England & Wales - Charity number 1178022

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# Accounts

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# Charity Commission Annual Return 2022

## MARHABTAYN TRUST

Charity registration number: 1178022

Most of the information you give in this form will become publicly available on the Register of Charities. Any field that the Charity Commission will not display will be clearly marked.

This document is a record of the information provided in the Annual Return 2022.

## PART A - Charity information

### Financial period

Financial period start date

01/04/2021

Financial period end date

31/03/2022

### Income and spending

Income £

£ 3,360

Spending £

£ 2,225

### Fundraising - professional fundraiser

**Did your charity raise funds from the public?**

Yes

**Did the charity work with any professional fundraisers?**

No

## Fundraising - commercial participator

**Did your charity work with any commercial participators?**

No

## Grantmaking

**Was grant making the main way your charity carried out its purposes?**

Yes

## Government contracts

**During the financial period for this annual return, did the charity receive income from contracts (other than grant agreements) with central government or local authorities?**

No

## Government grants

**During the financial period for this annual return, did the charity receive income from grants from central government or local authorities?**

No

## Income from outside the UK

**Did your charity receive income from outside the UK?**

No

## Spending outside England & Wales

**Did your charity operate outside England and Wales?**

Select countries/territories your charity operated in during the financial period covered by this annual return

 Lebanon

Lebanon

Total Spending outside England &amp; Wales

## Spending outside England & Wales

When spending money or working outside England and Wales, did your charity transfer money other than using the regulated banking system?

## Spending outside England & Wales

Did your charity have procedures and controls in place to monitor expenditure outside England and Wales?

Are the trustees satisfied that your charity's risk management policies and procedures adequately covered activities and spending outside England and Wales?

## Trading subsidiaries

Did the charity have any subsidiaries?

## Trustee payments

Did any of the trustees receive any remuneration, payments or benefits from the charity other than refunds of legitimate trustee expenses?

Did any of the trustees resign and then take up employment with the charity?

## Employees' salaries

Did any of your charity's staff receive total employee benefits of £60,000 or more?  
Select No if your charity does not have any staff or does not pay any staff.

For your highest paid member of staff only, what was the total value of their employee benefits?

(For example if your highest paid member of staff received £35,000 enter 35000). If you do not have any staff or did not pay any staff, enter 0 (zero)

## Volunteers

How many UK volunteers, excluding trustees, did the charity have during the financial period?

## Financial controls

Did your charity review its internal financial controls?

## Privacy statement

Any information you give us will be held securely and processed only in accordance with the rule on data protection. We will not disclose your personal details to anyone unconnected to the Charity Commission unless:

- you have consented to their release; or
- we are legally obliged to disclose them; or
- we regard disclosure as either (a) necessary so that we can properly carry out our statutory functions or (b) necessary in the public interest.

We may share and disclose information about you with relevant public authorities, regulatory bodies and agencies, outside the Charity Commission but only if:

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We will use this information:

To enable us to carry out our statutory functions and duties;

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- (c) data analysis, testing, research, statistical and survey purposes

Information we receive from other sources.

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## Declaration

This annual return has not been submitted and no Declaration has been made



# Charity Commission Annual Return 2022

## MARHABTAYN TRUST

Charity registration number: 1178022

Most of the information you give in this form will become publicly available on the Register of Charities. Any field that the Charity Commission will not display will be clearly marked.

This document is a record of the information provided in the Annual Return 2022.

## PART A - Charity information

### Financial period

Financial period start date

01/04/2021

Financial period end date

31/03/2022

### Income and spending

Income £

£ 3,360

Spending £

£ 2,225

### Fundraising - professional fundraiser

**Did your charity raise funds from the public?**

Yes

**Did the charity work with any professional fundraisers?**

No

## Fundraising - commercial participator

**Did your charity work with any commercial participators?**

No

## Grantmaking

**Was grant making the main way your charity carried out its purposes?**

Yes

## Government contracts

**During the financial period for this annual return, did the charity receive income from contracts (other than grant agreements) with central government or local authorities?**

No

## Government grants

**During the financial period for this annual return, did the charity receive income from grants from central government or local authorities?**

No

## Income from outside the UK

**Did your charity receive income from outside the UK?**

No

## Spending outside England & Wales

**Did your charity operate outside England and Wales?**

Select countries/territories your charity operated in during the financial period covered by this annual return

 Lebanon

Lebanon

Total Spending outside England &amp; Wales

## Spending outside England & Wales

When spending money or working outside England and Wales, did your charity transfer money other than using the regulated banking system?

## Spending outside England & Wales

Did your charity have procedures and controls in place to monitor expenditure outside England and Wales?

Are the trustees satisfied that your charity's risk management policies and procedures adequately covered activities and spending outside England and Wales?

## Trading subsidiaries

Did the charity have any subsidiaries?

## Trustee payments

Did any of the trustees receive any remuneration, payments or benefits from the charity other than refunds of legitimate trustee expenses?

Did any of the trustees resign and then take up employment with the charity?

## Employees' salaries

Did any of your charity's staff receive total employee benefits of £60,000 or more?  
Select No if your charity does not have any staff or does not pay any staff.

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**MARHABTAYN TRUST**

England & Wales - Charity number 1178022

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# Accounts

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# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From

Period start date

To

Period end date

1

April

2020

31

March

2021

## Section A

## Reference and administration details

Charity name

Marhabtayn Trust

Other names charity is known by

Marhabtayn Syrian Supper Club

Registered charity number (if any)

1178022

Charity's principal address

27 Old Gloucester Street

London

Postcode

WC1N 3AX

### 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 Khairunissa Dhala	Chair		
2 Sawsan Abou Zainedin			
3 Michael Buehler			
4 Edward Thomas			
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20			

### Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

**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 <i>(eg. trust deed, constitution)</i>	Constitution
How the charity is constituted <i>(eg. trust, association, company)</i>	CIO-Association
Trustee selection methods <i>(eg. appointed by, elected by)</i>	Elected by membership

**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.

<p>Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees: No new trustees were elected or inducted during this reporting period.</p> <p>Trustees' consideration of major risks, and the systems and procedures to manage them: The charity's main risk-management mechanisms are the Fundraising and Grants Monitoring Policy, which was updated 10 October 2020, and which is operationalized through the Marhabtayn Grant Application Form, which was adopted in 2016 and is regularly updated. Both documents require trustees to identify, document and monitor risks involved in making grants.</p>
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**Section C Objectives and activities**

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

<p>To relieve financial hardship, distress and suffering among refugees, internally displaced persons, victims of natural and man-made disasters and other people in need, by means of, but not exclusively:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Making grants or loans for providing or paying for food, clothing, equipment, services and facilities for the benefit of the said persons;</li> <li>• Making grants for medical treatment and for costs of attending educational facilities for the benefit of the said persons;</li> </ul>
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- Advocating for the benefit of said persons;
- Educating the public on the issues and challenges faced by the said persons for public benefit.

**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)**

The main activities which Marhabtayn undertook for public benefit in relation to these objects were:

- Raising awareness of the situation of refugees, displaced people and people facing hunger in the UK and Middle East.
- Raising funds through online platforms and virtual supper clubs aimed at the relief of poverty and hunger and supporting responses to COVID 19.
- Making grants to organizations and individuals in the UK, Lebanon and Turkey, aimed at supporting their responses to COVID 19 and supporting people facing hunger or displacement.

In developing our objectives and planning our activities our trustees have given consideration to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance. They used the Charity Commission's guidance to develop, update and implement grant-making policies.

Our key objectives for the year were to support communities in London, Turkey and Lebanon to respond to poverty, displacement and hunger. We monitored the grants to ensure that our activities were beneficial, and also sought to identify, assess and minimize any possible harms that might arise from our activities.

**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.

Policy on grant-making: See above, the charity updated its Fundraising and Grants Monitoring Policy, and regularly updated its Marhabtayn Grant Application Form.

Contribution made by volunteers: All the charity's activities are undertaken by volunteers, who receive no remuneration for their work.

**Section D Achievements and performance**

**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**

Before March 2020, the charity depended heavily on supper clubs to raise funds. These supper clubs were suspended because of the COVID 19 pandemic. The charity adapted to the pandemic by developing virtual supper clubs and by using online fundraising platforms. It maintained and developed relationships with supporters and members.

The charity's revenues fell as a result of the suspension of its main fundraising activities due to COVID-19.

The charity continued to accept requests for funds from established partners, and also made a grant to a charity in South London working to support food-insecure people during the pandemic – in lieu of a planned and cancelled meal which the charity intended to provide to a local food bank and soup kitchen.

In total, the charity supported 3 organisations:

- One in London working to support food-insecure people.
- One in Lebanon working to support domestic workers who were struggling due to Covid and the Beirut blast.
- One in Turkey working to support displaced people to cope with Covid and pay for medical and other expenses.

## Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity maintains a small reserve in order to be able to respond flexibly to urgent requests for funds. It has few running costs, and trustees generally donate funds for any unexpected costs.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

### 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.

The charity's principal sources of funds were supper clubs, before the COVID-19 pandemic. Since the start of the pandemic, the charity has switched to online platforms and online events.

All expenditures are in the form of grants which directly support a key objective of the charity – relieving hardship. Activities supporting other key objectives - education and advocacy – do not incur expenditure because they are carried out by volunteers.

The charity has no investments.

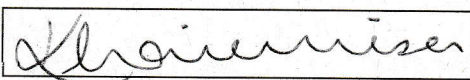

## Section F Other optional information

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## Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Khairunissa Dhala	Edward Thomas

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Trustee
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Date	31 Jan 2021
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**Receipts and payments accounts**

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For the period from	1/4/2020	To	31/3/2021
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**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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
	4,949	-	-	4,949	
	427	-	-	427	
	230	-	-	230	
	147	-	-	147	
	157	-	-	157	
	18	-	-	18	
	18	-	-	18	
	815	-	-	815	
	246	-	-	246	
	263	-	-	263	
	50	-	-	50	
	50	-	-	50	
	40	-	-	40	
	10	-	-	10	
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>7,419</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7,419</b>	
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>7,419</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7,419</b>	
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
	500	-	-	500	
	4,080	-	-	4,080	
	1,000	-	-	1,000	
	1,330	-	-	1,330	
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>6,910</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,910</b>	
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>6,910</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,910</b>	
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>509</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>509</b>	<b>-</b>
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	1,312	-	-	1,312	-
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>1,821</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,821</b>	<b>-</b>

**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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>		-	-	-

	-	-	-
	-	-	-
<b>Total cash funds</b>	-	-	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Form	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)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

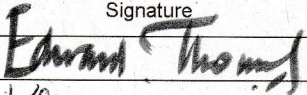
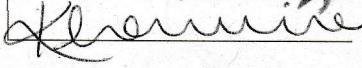
**B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use**

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
	EDWARD THOMAS	31.1.22
	KHAIRUNISSA DHARA	31/01/22