



PRO TERRA SANCTA UK

Report and Financial Statements

Period from 1st January 2023 - 31st December 2023

Registered Charity Number 1178965

Reference and Administrative Information

Charities commission PRO TERRA SANCTA UK

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Trustees

- **Trustees - renewal and update**
 - Christina Rogers (chair) - Appointed 18th February 2018 for 2 years - elected for further 2 years at the AGM on 28th Feb 2020 and again in January 2022. Due Feb 2024 – *voted in jan 2024 to extend by 3 years to January 2027*
 - Tommaso Saltini - Appointed 18th February 2018 (4 years) – re- elected June 2022 - Due June 2026
 - Guendalina Sassoli De Bianchi - Appointed 18th February 2018 (3 years) elected for further 3 years at the AGM on 14 April 2021. Due April 2024 - *voted to extend by 3 years to January 2027*
 - Stephen Bubb – Appointed 15/12/2022 expires and due 15/12/2024 - *voted to extend by 3 years to January 2027*

Background

PRO TERRA SANCTA UK, was granted Charitable status on 27 JUNE 2018 with the Charities Commission UK with registered [Charity Number 1178965](#).

The objects of the charity are, for the public benefit:

To foster bonds between the Holy Land and the World through Emergency relief, Humanitarian, and medical assistance for all those in need, the preservation and development of the artistic, archaeological and cultural heritage of the Holy Land, and through Education and assistance to build hope for a future of peace and development for all.

To achieve the objects of the charity, PTS UK the UK charity works closely with the global Pro terra Sancta network. As the General Director of Pro Terra sancta, Dr Tommaso Saltini noted in the main Annual report; against a backdrop of global turmoil, conflict and



Preservation and Development

The historical places of **Holy Land** preserve a memory of great value for all local communities: *Christians, Jews and Muslims*.

Preservation and Development projects aim at raising awareness of this heritage by the local community, tourists and pilgrims.



Education and Assistance

The **education of new generations** is essential to **build hope** for a future of peace and development in land battered by conflicts; while access to **basic medical assistance** gives dignity to the poorest and increases life quality.



Emergency in the Middle East

Emergency Relief projects guarantee the distribution of **primary goods** to support the population affected by the **war** and, where possible, the reconstruction of what has been destroyed, in order to encourage the rebirth and the development of the civil society.

Activity - Over the period PTS UK have carried out the following activities in order to deliver the Public Benefit Objects of the charity and we were pleased to note that increasing UK supporters continue to support and encourage the work of the global NGO. As we became more integrated with the main PTS network in 2022 the Trustees felt it was important to increase their number and expertise and were delighted that Sir Stephen Bubb agreed to join us.

During 2023 we also broadened our governance by formalising our Advisory board which now includes; Baroness (Helen) Liddell, Antoine Mattar, Gabriella Solaro and Father Luke. Whilst the board have no formal role within the charity, the Trustees have looked to them as a sounding board away from the main Trustee board and this was used when a decision was taken to send a grant to support post earthquake relief in Syria in July 2023.

Costs have been kept to an absolute minimum with limited expenses related to a mailbox, virtual office and other mandatory expenses.

On the 13th June 2023 PTS UK ran a very successful event at the house of Lords with over 80 guests gathering to hear more about the charity. Sponsorship of £7000 was raised specifically for the event and costs were £4773 in total, giving a surplus on the event of £2226.

Financial Review

2023 built on the restructure we undertook in 2022 and there was marked increase in income. All staff within the UK are now volunteers and we continue to try to keep administrative costs to the minimum. We undertook an event at The House of Lords which generated profit.

We still were able to attract a small number of new donors and the income increased again on the previous year.

Costs are kept to a minimum, with a small amount being spent on office and phone rental. Appendix 1 details the transactions.

Incomings	Outgoings
£29,644	£16,149.02

As at FYE 2023 – A grant of £10,000 to fund Humanitarian earthquake relief in Syria was made to the main PTS NGO in Italy. Other outgoings were £1021.45 to FW consultancy to assist with charity transition and event planning (this ceased in April 2023). £4803 was spent on the House of Lords event (£7000 was raised in sponsorship from 2 companies to assist with the event so it was profitable) and £324 were spent on other admin costs such as virtual office, phone line and data commissioner subscription.

Assets and liabilities

As of 31 December 2023 the only asset of the Charity was cash in bank of £20,188.33
There were no liabilities.
A Gift aid payment is due to be claimed from HMRC totalling £2000.

Independent examiners report –

This was undertaken by a volunteer Chiara Pancheri who is a qualified accountant and experienced in the charity sector. It is included in appendix

Plans for the future.

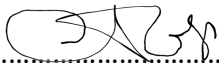
The plan for 2024 is to continue to build the online presence and raise the profile of the charity in the UK, through events and profile raising, continuing the growth in donations. The Trustees continue to work together to support the activities of the Pro Terra Sancta Network. The Advisory board’s support and guidance has been critical in 2023 .

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees’ report above and the accounts in Appendix 1.

Signed on behalf of the charity’s trustees.

Christina Rogers

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Chair UK Trustee

Tommaso Saltini *Tommaso Saltini*

Trustee and General Director Pro Terra Sancta

Guendalina Sassoli *GS*

Sir Stephen Bubb *Stephen Bubb*

Appendix 1

1st Jan 2023 to 31 December 2023 financial summary accounts

R	S	T	U
	OUT	IN	
HOL sponsorship		£7,000.00	
HOL cost	£4,803.24		
Admin costs	£324.33		
FW consultancy	£1,021.45		
CAF donations		£9,607.91	
Other donations		£13,036.76	
Gift aid due			£2,000
Syria Grant	£10,000		
	£16,149.02	£29,644.67	
Admin costs =	landline	-85.35	
	office	-203.98	
	ICO	-35	
		£324.33	

Reviewed by Luisa Belloni

Main PTS NGO Italy

Administrator accounts

Signed off by Independent examiner Chiara Pancheri

Item	Amount	Notes
Money in 1/1/23 – 31/12/23	£29,644.67	This is significantly up from £4651 for year 2022 (Includes HOL sponsorship of £7000 - £3000 CWM and £4000 CCC group)
Money out 1/1/23 – 31/12/23	£16,149.02	Office / admin = £324.33 FW = £1021.45 HOL out = £4803.24 Grant = £10,000
Balances as at 31 December 2023	£20,188.33	
Current Balance as at 18/1/24	£23,680.25	Includes donations in since Jan 1 st 2024 of £3499.52)
Admin	£322.38	Office, phone service, ICO
Consultancy	£1,021.45	to April 2023, annual report and accounts – ceased April 2023
Reserves	£500	Reserves to ensure office and phone can be maintained
Balance	£23,180.25	Balance available for Grants

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FYE 31 December 2023

HMRC Gift Aid Reference # ZD02253

Appendix 2 Independent examiners report

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Pro Terra Sancta UK (Charity

Number: 1178965)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity (the Trust) for

the year ended 31 December 2023.

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 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 in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Report) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a "true and fair" view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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:



Chiara Pancheri
FCCA