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31/12/2024

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A1 Receipts

Donations

Gift Aid

Home Office via Charis for Family Training

Sub total (Gross income for AR)

A2 Asset and investment sales,	(see table).
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Sub total

Total receipts

A3 Payments

Rental of meeting rooms

Preparation & Printing of materials

Insurance

DBS checks for volunteers/trustees

Purchase of laptop for project/family

Removals of furniture

Training for volunteers

Preparation of House & Garden

CHARIS Administration Fee

Translation Services

Transport from Airport on Arrival

Cash Support to Family

Housing Rent & Deposit	
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Essential family medical and dental aid

Swimming lessons for children

Overnight lessons for children	Driving lessons
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Driving license	Documentation for Citizenship Application
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Documentation for Citizenship Application

Sub total

A4 Asset and investment

Sub total

Total payments

Net of receipts/(payments)

A6 Cash funds last year end

Cash funds this year end



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Receipts and payments accounts

Receipts and payments accounts			
For the period from		01/01/2024	To
Budleigh-Syrian Community Sponsorship		1179848	

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Section A Receipts and payments

Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Previous Years
to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £

A1 Receipts

Donations				
Gift Aid				
Home Office via Charls for Family Training	-	-	-	1,700
	-	-	-	847
	-	-	-	16,366
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	-	-	-	18,913

A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).

	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	-	-	-	18,913

A3 Payments

Rental of meeting rooms	-	-	-	276
Preparation & Printing of materials	-	-	-	185
Insurance	-	-	-	420
DBS checks for volunteers/trustees	-	-	-	248
Purchase of laptop for project/family use	-	-	-	279
Removals of furniture	-	-	-	100
Training for volunteers	-	-	-	270
Preparation of House & Garden	-	-	-	482
CHARRIS Administration Fee	-	-	-	750
Translation Services	42	-	-	1,921
Transport from Airport on Arrival	-	-	-	977
Cash Support to Family	-	-	-	2,000
Housing Rent & Deposit	-	-	-	1,090
Essential family medical and dental aid	105	-	-	953
Swimming lessons for children	-	-	-	100
Driving lessons	85	-	-	2,216
Documentation for Citizenship Application	-	-	-	2,000
Sub total	458	-	-	14,266

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)

	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total payments	458	-	-	14,266
Net of receipts/(payments)	-	-	-	4,647
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	458	-	-	4,647

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	Lloyds Bank Account	3,342	-	-
	Gift Aid to reclaim	847	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	4,189	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

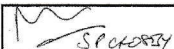
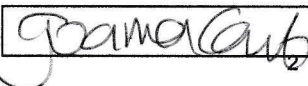
	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets			-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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 liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Philip Crosby	07/08/2025
	Joanna Cant	3/9/2025 07/08/2025

ANNUAL REPORT AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the period 1st January to 31st December 2024.

1. Reference and Administrative Information.

Charity name: Budleigh Syrian Community Sponsorship

Charity registration number: 1179848

Charity address: 15 Stoneborough Lane, Budleigh Salterton Devon EX9 6HL

Trustees:

The trustees during this reporting period were:

Joanna Elisabeth Cant – Chair & Secretary

Sean Philip Crosby – Treasurer

Julia Robb – appointed 26 February 2021 for 3 year period

Penny Harris – appointed 26 February 2021 for 3 year period

Siobhan Canham – appointed 15th December 2021

Marion Ley – appointed 19th May 2023

2. Structure Governance and Management

The Charity is established as a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) and governed by a Constitution. It has a minimum of three and a maximum of seven Trustees. During this period there were six Trustees.

As per the Constitution, apart from the first charity trustees, every new Trustee must be appointed for a term of three years by a resolution passed at the properly convened meeting of the charity trustees. In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO. The charity trustees manage the affairs of the CIO and for that purpose exercise all the powers of the CIO.

3. Objectives and Activities

Objects

The objects of the Budleigh Syrian Community sponsorship as set in our Constitution are:

-to relieve poverty, amongst those seeking asylum and those granted refugee status living in the Budleigh Salterton area by providing, interpreting /translating/advocacy/health/housing advice and cultural guidance, and any other assistance required to advance them in life and support them to adapt, settle and live independently within their new community;

-to advance the education of the public in general about the issues relating to refugees and those seeking asylum

Strategic Objectives

To ensure we fulfil our objects we designed a two year strategy (2018-2020) which we extended to 2022, with four key objectives:

1. The engage and equip sufficient community members to start and successfully run a Community Sponsorship project in Budleigh Salterton
2. To raise the funds required to sponsor refugee families under the Community sponsorship programme
3. To become officially recognised as a Community Sponsorship group by the Home Office
4. To welcome and support refugee families to settle in the Budleigh Salterton area

Activities

We have continued with regular sessions & support from CHARIS

Support for the family during this period has included:

The family have gradually become more independent. They are now able to contact the landlord directly themselves about any issues & manage their own finances. Walaa has passed her theory driving test. We arranged driving lessons for her but both instructors we used felt separately that her English comprehension was not up to this level yet and lessons terminated. She is looking for voluntary work again. She loved working in Scope charity shop in Exmouth but that has now closed down.

We have suggested various volunteering opportunities for Mohamad, but none have suited him to date. He has now passed his GCSE in Maths. Mohamad has done an online course in Marketing and is keeping up to date with new Technologies as this is his expertise.

We have completed the required two year support period. We celebrated this in May 2024 by having a shared meal together in Exeter with the Trustees and a couple of volunteers. We are continuing to support the family as friends as they continue their transition to live in the UK.

Public Benefit

As we planned, implemented and reviewed the activities for the year, the Trustees considered the Charity commissions' guidance on public benefit. The Trustees feel that we have ensured that the activities undertaken have engaged well with the local community and provided ample opportunities for them to be involved and to learn from the activities in line with our charitable objects.

Volunteers

The main support for the family has come from the core Trustees plus Brian Harris who has given excellent advice on benefits and liaised with the Job centre. David Wright, a friend, has given Mohamad driving practise. A local Syrian family, who settled in Exmouth five years ago, under another scheme, who are volunteers with our charity have also given excellent support.

4. Achievements and Performance

In reviewing the year, the Trustees are pleased that the family are making good progress to settle in Exmouth and to life in the UK. The children particularly are thriving at school and flourishing. It has been harder for the parents to learn English and to become part of the community. There continues to be a positive rapport amongst the volunteers. We have also been delighted by the support given by the schools and medical personnel to support the family. There have been a lot of medical issues especially for the parents.

In terms of the second objective of raising the funds required to sponsor refugee families under the Community Sponsorship Programme, we consolidated the funds available and had more than the minimum £9,000 required by the Home Office so we did not undertake any major fundraising as we feel we have sufficient funds available to support the family.

In terms of our third objective this was fully achieved when we linked with CHARIS as our principal sponsor, we have built an extra layer of support, information and back stopping if there are any challenges where we need additional support. The Project Manager had regular sessions with CHARIS to share any concerns.

Our focus for 2024 has been to continue to stand alongside the family and support them while also gradually reducing our support so they have become more independent. This is being achieved. As our formal relationship has come to an end we will continue to support the family as friends. When they have to move from their current address, they will need help and support to find another property. The Salvation Army only promised the accommodation for two years after which they will eventually need the property back for the leader of their church in Exmouth. Recent correspondence from the Salvation Army indicates there is no imminent necessity for them to move.

5. Financial Review

The charity has been successful to date in its fundraising efforts and now has sufficient funds in place to support the family.

A copy of the FRS SORP 102 accounts is required to be submitted to the Charities Commission included in Annex 1 for further information.

Policy on reserves

The policy of the charity is to retain £2,000 as a reserve against unforeseen financial circumstances. The trustees consider this provides an adequate protection against potential issues which might arise. These reserves may only be released with the written agreement of a simple majority of the trustees.

The charity holds these reserves as part of the main bank account. No separate account is maintained for this purpose.

This policy is subject to review every six months and may be amended to reflect the evolving circumstances of the charity.

No funds are in deficit.

6. Funds held as Custodian Trustee

The charity does not hold any funds as a Custodian Trustee.

7. Declarations

The Trustees declare they have approved the Trustees report above

Penny Harris



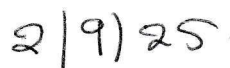
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Julia Robb



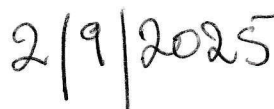
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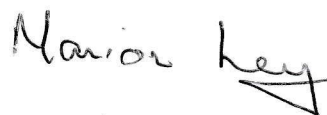
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Date

2/9/25

Marion Ley



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2/9/25

Joanna Cant



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