

The Steni Trust

U.K Registered Charity No. 1181406

Trustee's Annual Report for the year ending 31st March 2021

1 **Charity Registration and Trustees**

1.1 **The Steni Trust** is a U.K. registered charity registration number 1181406

The principal office is Flat 2, Bannerleigh House, Bannerleigh Road, Bristol, BS8 3PF

1.2 **The trustees** are:

Mr Peter Latham – Chairman and Treasurer

Mrs Vivienne Latham – Secretary

Dr Sarah Ensoll – Safeguarding

1.3 The trustees met twice formally during the year and on several occasions informally.

2 **Structure and Governance**

2.1 The charity is governed by a **Deed of Trust dated 20th December 2018**. This replaced an earlier deed from January 2018, in order to fully comply with Charities Commission guidelines.

2.2 The deed requires a minimum of 3 trustees, serving for a 5 year term that is renewable.

2.3 The appointment of new trustees is by invitation.

2.4 The day to day running is conducted by the trustees.

3 **Objectives and Activities**

3.1 **Objects:**

A – The relief and assistance of people in any part of the world who are victims of war or national disaster, trouble, or catastrophe, in particular by the supply of medical aid to such persons.

B – The prevention or relief of poverty or financial hardship in Kenya in particular, but not exclusively by assisting in the provision of education, training, healthcare projects and all the necessary support designed to enable individuals to generate a sustainable income and become self-sufficient.

C – The prevention or relief of poverty of the homeless in the U.K. in particular, but not exclusively by supporting projects to provide and maintain night shelters and crisis centres.

3.2 **Activities.** The activities of the charity during the year were carried out in accordance with the Deed of Trust

Discussions were held with a number of charities prior to their support from The Steni Trust.

Achievements

4.1 Grants were made to the following charitable organisations:

Crisis U.K. – Reg. no. 4024938

IcFEM-Mission – Reg. no. 1107038

Hope for Life Katanga – Reg. no. 1153897

Medecins Sans Frontiers – Reg. no. 1026038

Fare Share – Reg.no. 1125905

Gatehouse Green Learning Trust – Reg. No. 8203318

The Connection at St Martins – Reg. No. 1156305

The Traidcraft Exchange – Reg. No. 1048752

4.2 In 2020/21 the Trust partnered with a number of smaller charities that fitted in with its ethos and objectives.

4.3 :

- 4.3.1 Fare Share uses surplus food supplied by supermarkets to provide meals for people in UK who have fallen below the “bread line” and are in need of food banks. More recently, Fare Share has come into national prominence during the Covid-19 crisis.
- 4.3.2 The Connection at St Martins works with homeless rough sleepers in London.
- 4.3.3 The Traidcraft Exchange supports poor and vulnerable people in Africa and Asia to get a better deal from trading.
- 4.3.4 Gatehouse Green Learning Trust was supported with laptops for poor / refugee children to home learn during lockdown.
- 4.3.5 The donation to IcFEM was towards the building of an isolation ward at Dreamland Mission Hospital in Western Kenya and equipping it with the appropriate PPE during the Covid-19 pandemic.
- 4.3.6 The largest donation of the year was to Medecins sans Frontiers toward their international relief programmes.
- 4.3.7 The Trust continued to support Hope for Life in the slums of Katanga, Uganda and the homeless charity, Crisis in the UK.

Public Benefit Statement

The trustees are satisfied that they have complied with their duty under The Charities Act 2011.

Future developments

The size and scope of the charity’s operation will continue to increase as funding increases to meet the needs of the supported charities. Charities such as SASH, Young and Free, Tools for Self Reliance, that were supported in 2019/20 will again be supported in 2021/22 along with a number of charities new to the Trust.

7 **Comments on financial statements**

7.1 Voluntary income during the 12 months to 31st March 2021 was £56,000 (£40,000) which included a further legacy from John Latham of £25,000.

7.2 Grants to charities in line with the objects were £42,000 (42,000) in the 12 month period to 31st March 2021. Details are shown above in Section 4. The legacy is being held in reserve until an appropriate project presents itself.

7.3 No expenses were charged against the charity.

8 **Reserves Policy**

There is no formal reserves policy. However, it is the trustee's intention to maintain a healthy balance to enable it to respond to needs as and when required.

9 **Risk Assessment**

A Risk Register, detailing the main potential risks to the on-going work of Charity has been compiled. The main risks are the small number of family trustees and limited number of donors. However adequate funding for the foreseeable future is assured.

10 **Safeguarding**

Although the charity has no direct involvement with vulnerable adults and children, the charities that it supports most certainly do and a pre-requisite of the Trust making a grant is that it reviews the safeguarding policies of the recipient charities. Large international charities such as MSF and Crisis U.K. are presumed to have adequate policies in place, but the Trust reviews the policies of the smaller charities that it supports. This is an on-going process.

The Annual Report was approved by the Trustees on 28th June 2020 and signed on their behalf by:



Vivienne Latham (Secretary)

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Statement of Financial Activities
For the period from 01 April 2020 to 31 March 2021

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
<i>Income and endowments from:</i>						
Donations and legacies	56,000	—	—	—	56,000	40,000
Total income	56,000	—	—	—	56,000	40,000
<i>Expenditure on:</i>						
Expenditure on charitable activities	—	42,000	—	—	42,000	42,000
Total expenditure	—	42,000	—	—	42,000	42,000
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	56,000	(42,000)	—	—	14,000	(2,000)
<i>Transfers</i>						
Gross transfers between funds - in	—	47,000	—	—	47,000	42,000
Gross transfers between funds - out	(42,000)	(5,000)	—	—	(47,000)	(42,000)
<i>Other recognised gains / losses</i>						
Net movement in funds	14,000	—	—	—	14,000	(2,000)
<i>Reconciliation of funds</i>						
Total funds brought forward	12,150	—	—	—	12,150	14,150
Total funds carried forward	26,150	—	—	—	26,150	12,150
<i>Represented by</i>						
Unrestricted						
General fund	26,150	—	—	—	26,150	12,150

There may be minor discrepancies in the totals if the pence are not being shown

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Respective responsibilities of members of the trustees and examiner

The Trustees of the charity are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit is not required for the year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 act) and that an independent examination is required. It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 act;
- Follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 act;
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts. My report is limited to those matters set out in the next statement.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

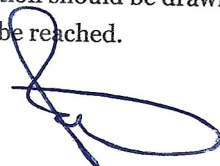
(1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- To keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act. Have not been met; or

(2) To which in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name: Paul Bright

Signed:



Relevant professional qualification or body: ACCA

Address: Firbank, Greenacres, Runfold, Surrey, GU10 1QH

Date: 19th November 2021