

SANCTUARY IN CHICHESTER CIO

England & Wales · Charity number 1181855

Details

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Status Registered

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Activities

Objects: (1) TO RELIEVE POVERTY AND SUFFERING AMONG REFUGEES AND ASYLUM SEEKERS IN CHICHESTER AND THE SURROUNDING AREA, IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY PROVIDING PRACTICAL, SOCIAL AND PASTORAL SUPPORT TO REFUGEES AND ASYLUM SEEKERS.

Activities: Provision of practical, social and pastoral support to refugees and asylum seekers in the Chichester area. This includes a weekly Drop-In, Befriending, English tuition, a football-based project for young men and a Pathways to Independence project. Support and signposting are also offered to those families currently hosting refugees from the war in Ukraine

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Accommodation/housing, Economic/community Development/employment, Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- West Sussex

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-05-31	£276,671	£251,096	-	-
2024-05-31	£165,951	£210,329	-	-
2023-05-31	£149,609	£122,931	-	-
2022-05-31	£131,503	£51,819	-	-
2021-05-31	£30,539	£44,230	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Tony Toynton	Chair	2019-06-01
Caroline Purewal		2024-06-12
Gemma Jane Driver		2021-06-01
Graham Hart		2026-01-14
Judith Margaret Clouston		2022-08-15
Lois Anne Smith		2021-02-17
Mark Stables		2022-01-01
Michael Peter Mansergh		2023-05-01
Waleed Hussein		2024-01-01

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ANNUAL REPORT 2024/25



CHARITABLE INCORPORATED
ORGANISATION (CIO) NO. 1181855
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INTRODUCTION

Sanctuary in Chichester provides practical, social and pastoral support to refugees and asylum seekers in the Chichester area.

The charity has two strategic aims:

That all beneficiaries are safe and feel welcome and safe in their new, adopted community.

That all beneficiaries develop lives independent of state and charitable support to the extent that they are able.

I'm proud that we have continued to deliver on these aims amid continual increase in demand, through the board, staff and volunteers working together as a close-knit team.

This was the charity's 6th year of operation as a CIO, and it has grown significantly in every aspect since its registration. We currently

support around 550 beneficiaries, although the number changes daily.

I hope this brief report sheds some light on the challenges we faced over the year, the quantity and scope of work we delivered, and the impacts of these efforts on the lives of those we support.



Tony Toynton

CHAIR OF TRUSTEES

2024/25 CHALLENGES

! **New families arriving every week**, often with little or no prior notice, putting a huge strain on volunteers and staff.

! **Increased throughput at the asylum hotel and in the community**, with families and individuals receiving leave to remain and then being evicted from their Home Office accommodation, in immediate need of new accommodation and to establish some means of financial support or income for themselves.

! **This in turn has put significant strain on local housing provision.** Whilst Chichester District Council housing service remains a regular and sympathetic provider, it is clear that suitable accommodation cannot always be provided as and when needed for our beneficiaries. A lot of work and funds go into preventing street homelessness, including

for women and families with children.

! **Ensuring that all asylum seekers submit paperwork and attend asylum interviews as required** to retain Home Office support until a decision on their application is made. This can be a challenge when language barriers and mental health problems, such as PTSD, are present. A small number of individuals fell completely out of the system during the year, due to a paperwork error or similar resulting in them being evicted from their accommodation and without any statutory support whatsoever.

! **Securing appropriate legal support for all that need it is often difficult and time consuming**, with seemingly every law firm that handles asylum cases already fully committed and often unwilling to take on new clients.

DEVELOPMENT

MIND PARTNERSHIP -

Following a successful pilot project and an increased grant from Chichester District Council, West Sussex Mind is now in a position to recruit a new mental health worker to provide vital support to our beneficiaries and volunteers, for 30 hours per week.

ALLOTMENTS - Led by trustees

Mike Mansergh and Mark Stables, the charity now benefits from taking care of two allotments. A small number of keen volunteers and beneficiaries set about preparing the ground for a bumper crop this growing season. Working outside in the fresh air, together with other likeminded people, is proven to be beneficial to health and wellbeing, and certainly those involved are really enjoying the experience as well as the fruits of their labour.

SCHOOLS SUPPORT PROJECT -

Many refugee and asylum-seeking families have children attending local schools.

Primary-age pupils tend to pick up English quickly and adapt well.

Secondary-age arrivals often

struggle; they sometimes lag behind their peers academically, face language barriers, and some find it hard to navigate school expectations that are new to them.

A lot of the children have endured trauma and all have faced major upheaval with no certainty about their families' future, which can all make learning and social integration very difficult.

To support the sterling work of our local schools, we have recruited a band of Volunteer Teachers (VTs) to provide extra language and integration support.

Our aim is to help these young people feel valued, settle into their new environment, build in confidence, and access the education they need to thrive.

Some 20 VTs spend on average one hour each week in schools, working with around 50 beneficiary children.

There is no ceiling to this work and the VT recruitment drive continues...

SPOTLIGHT ON ALLOTMENTS

We are a group of volunteer gardeners meeting twice a week to weed, water, plant fruit and vegetables, and pick what has ripened. We share the harvest among ourselves and with other friends. Later, we take some time to drink coffee, where the aroma of coffee blends with the scent of soil.

A small allotment in Chichester brings together people who were born in this town decades ago and refugees who arrived only months earlier. The act of gardening erases any differences between us and gently weaves bonds of friendship and familiarity – just as the earth does with its seeds, turning them into strong roots and fruitful plants.

We come to the land thinking we are caring for it, only to find that it is truly the one caring for us.

Ishraq Albitawi

ALLOTMENT PARTICIPANT



PROJECT UPDATES

Visit sanctuaryinchichester.org/blog to see more in-depth updates on our projects, activities and events, as well as beneficiary and volunteer stories, including photos and videos.

CHICHESTER PARK HOTEL

Sanctuary in Chichester was the first charity to work directly with the Chichester Park Hotel when it opened as asylum accommodation in October 2023. The hotel houses up to 200 asylum seekers, all of whom are families or single women.

Since opening, 375 individuals have passed through the hotel or currently live there. We employ a full-time coordinator at the hotel, who works with hotel management and security staff to coordinate the support offered, not only through our volunteers but also by other charities, local churches and other organisations keen to help.

Support includes provision of clothes, toiletries, and items needed for new mothers and babies. English tutoring, and

guidance on form-filling and understanding the asylum system are also significant supports at the hotel.

Note: a more detailed report on our work at the hotel is available to members of the charity on request.

ENGLISH TUTORING

28 beneficiaries received regular one-to-one English tuition. We have a long waiting list of keen learners, so recruitment of qualified volunteer tutors is ongoing.

LEAVE TO REMAIN

Our staff and volunteers also give help and advice to those seeking asylum, to help prepare them for when they are evicted from the hotel or other accommodation provided by the Home Office in our local area.

Once people are notified that the Home Office has granted them leave to remain they have only 56 days, recently reduced to 28 days, to find themselves somewhere to live and a source of income.

Our team therefore provides guidance on finding work, gaining skills, enrolling in education and training, applying for benefits and securing affordable rented housing.

These are all key elements of our Pathways to Independence programme.

PATHWAYS TO INDEPENDENCE

94 individuals were active participants in our central programme, Pathways to Independence (PTI), designed to ensure people can successfully build their new lives to the point that they no longer need our support. (122 participated since PTI launched in 2023.) We are working on expanding access to this effective and impactful programme.

“Rolls-Royce has finally accepted me, and I officially started work two days ago. Thank you so much for your kind support and encouragement - it has been invaluable to me.”

- PTI participant

WEEKLY WOMEN'S GROUP

Attendance ranged between 12 and 41, with up to 12 children making use of the crèche provided. A lot of the women we support speak little or no English to start with, and some are illiterate in their own languages, so we provide specialist language tuition at the weekly Women's Group, alongside creative activities and information sharing sessions. Women find connection and build friendships in this safe and welcoming space.

WEEKLY DROP-IN

Average attendance at these lively social events for the period 1st June '24 to 31st May '25, was 75 attendees in total, comprising an average of 46 beneficiaries (including 14 children) and 20 volunteers.

HEADLINE STATS

**Total beneficiaries:
550 - 600 (changes daily)**

200 asylum seekers housed at the hotel, including around 50 children, awaiting Home Office decisions.

32 asylum seekers housed in the community, including 10 children, awaiting decisions.

257 refugees on Government resettlement schemes, including 150 children.

77 refugees, including 32 children, who received leave to remain and chose to settle in the Chichester area.

Below: creations from the children's art table at the weekly drop-in.



NATIONS UNITED FOOTBALL

Between 30 and 35 players joined us throughout the year, for our weekly practice sessions and regular match fixtures. Supported by four dedicated volunteers and the University of Chichester, we also welcomed our first female players.



Photo: Nations United (turquoise kit) tackling Southampton FC's refugee team in May 2025

COMING UP...

CO-CREATION DRIVES STRATEGY AND MORE

Staff and trustees found that due to Sanctuary in Chichester's constant rapid growth, our systems and policies had not kept up with the organisation's needs. We were also keen to ensure participation of the whole SiC community in every aspect of our organisation's ongoing development, through co-creation. So we set up a task force - the Policy Review & Development Group, consisting of trustees, staff and volunteers, which will also draw in beneficiaries where appropriate. The group began work in June, systematically examining our existing policies, procedures and documentation, and amending or replacing anything that needs updating.

In addition, Sanctuary Chair Tony Toynton has led a highly participatory and collaborative process for developing our

2026/ '27 Strategic Plan, involving stakeholders from across our organisation, including beneficiaries, as well as from local partner organisations.

The Strategic Plan will be launched at our AGM in October, and will be available to view on our website along with details of the planning process.

Huge thanks to our beneficiaries, partners, staff and volunteers who contributed their insights, time and energy into helping us improve our operations and develop our strategy. This work has ensured our organisation is in a strong position for delivering on our strategic aims going into 2026.

FINANCIALS

Independent examiner's report on the accounts to the trustees of Sanctuary in Chichester

Charity no. 1181855

On accounts for the year ended 31 May 2025

Set out on pages 11 to 21

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/05/2025.

As the charity's trustees, 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

The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) 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:

Anthony Corkett

Date:

26/01/26

Name:

Anthony Corkett

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body:

Member of Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland

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ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

for the period 01/06/24 to 31/05/2025

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

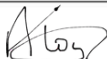
	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024/5 £	Total 2023/4 £
Income	3				
Donations and legacies		30,551	-	30,551	34,739
Charitable activities		29,583	216,156	245,739	129,184
Other (bank interest)		381	-	381	-
Total		60,515	216,156	276,671	163,923
Expenditure	4				
Raising funds		14,764	-	14,764	13,151
Charitable activities		20,678	213,772	234,450	198,479
Governance		1,882	-	1,882	1,356
Total		37,324	213,772	251,096	212,986
Net income/(expenditure)		23,191	2,384	25,575	- 49,063
Net movement in funds		23,191	2,384	25,575	- 49,063
Reconciliation of funds	2.1				
Total funds brought forward		75,403	-	75,403	124,466
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		98,594	2,384	100,978	75,403

BALANCE SHEET

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted income funds £	Total 2024/5 £	Total 2023/4 £
Fixed assets	2.4	-	-	-	-
Total		-	-	-	-
Current assets					
Debtors	7	1,769	24,548	26,317	15,172
Cash at bank and in hand	9	113,801	4,363	118,164	79,637
Total		115,570	28,911	144,481	94,810
Creditors falling due within one year	8	19,074	24,429	43,503	16,750
Net current assets/(liabilities)		96,496	4,482	100,978	78,060
Total		96,496	4,482	100,978	78,060
Creditors falling due after one year		-	-	-	2,657
Total net assets		96,496	4,482	100,978	75,403
Funds of the Charity					
Restricted income funds			4,482	4,482	1,878
Unrestricted funds		96,496		96,496	73,525
TOTAL FUNDS		96,496	4,482	100,978	75,403

Notes 1 to 10 form part of these accounts

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on

Signed	Name	Position	Date
	Tony Toynton	Chair of Trustees	26/01/26

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1 - Basis of Preparation

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014; the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102); and with the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

There are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

No material prior year errors have been identified in the reporting period.

2 - Accounting Policies

2.1 Change of Accounting Policy

There has been a change in accounting policy in 24/25 to accruals from receipts and payments.

This change is due to annual income exceeding £250,000 for the first time and Charity Commission reporting requirements. It provides more accurate information in relation to allocation of grants income.

The 23/24 published accounts have also been adjusted to include accruals.

Total funds brought forward from 23/4 have been adjusted by -£4,234.

Reconciliation of funds

	Start of period - 23/24	End of period - 23/24
	£	£
Fund balances as previously stated	124,015	79,637
Adjustments	451	- 4,234
Fund balance as restated	124,466	75,403

Reconciliation of Net Income/(Net Expenditure)

	End of period - 23/24
	£
Net income/(expenditure) as previously stated	- 44,378
Adjustments:	- 4,685
Previous period net income/(expenditure) as restated	<hr/> - 49,063 <hr/>

2.2 Income

Recognition of Income - Income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity becomes entitled to the resources; it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS102 SORP)

The charity has received government grants in the reporting period (Note 3.3)

Gift Aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor. Any Gift Aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.

The charity has incurred expenditure on support costs.

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts.

Income from interest is included in the accounts when receipt is probable and the amount receivable can be measured reliably

2.3 Expenditure and Liabilities

Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

The charity made no redundancy payments during the reporting period.

No material item of deferred income has been included in the accounts.

The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts..

2.4 Assets

Tangible fixed assets are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £750.

The charity currently has no tangible or intangible fixed assets, heritage assets, investments or stocks.

Debtors are measured on initial recognition at settlement amount after any trade discounts or amount advanced by the charity. Subsequently, they are measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be received.

3 - Income

3.1 Analysis of Income

		Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2024/5 Total £	2023/4 Total £
Donations and legacies	Donations and gifts	28,782	-	28,782	31,094
	Gift Aid	1,769	-	1,769	3,645
	Total	30,551	-	30,551	34,739
Charitable activities	Government grants	5,000	79,787	84,787	48,514
	Trusts and Foundation grants	24,583	136,369	160,952	80,670
	Total	29,583	216,156	245,739	129,184
Income from investments	Interest income	381	-	381	-
	Total	381	-	381	-
TOTAL INCOME		60,515	216,156	276,671	163,923

Government grants of £48,514 and Trusts and Foundation grants of £80,670 in 2023/4 were restricted income.

3.2 Material Items

Within the income above the following items were over 10% of total annual income and are considered material.

	2024/5 £	2023/4 £
National Lottery Community Fund Employment of the Charity Manager, Caseworker and Pathways to Independence Manager	81,997	80,464
National Lottery Community Fund Employment of a hotel-based Volunteer Coordinator to provide support to asylum seekers arriving in Chichester	46,738	0
West Sussex County Council Integration of refugees into the local community including language and practical support and guidance.	30,000	0
Chichester District Council Support of asylum seekers in the Chichester hotel and their move to independent living in the community.	39,167	40,033

3.3 Government Grants

The following government grants were received within the accounting period:

		2024/5 £	2023/4 £
West Sussex County Council	Integration support and activities	30,000	-
West Sussex County Council	Women's Group - creche	8,328	8,481
Chichester District Council	Asylum dispersal support	39,167	40,033
Chichester District Council	Setting up home costs	2,292	-
Chichester City Council	Beneficiary support	5,000	-
	Total	84,787	48,514

4 - Expenditure

4.1 Analysis of Expenditure

	2024/5			2023/4		
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted income funds £	Total funds £	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted income funds £	Total funds £
Raising funds:						
Incurring seeking donations	2,777	-	2,777	2,751	-	2,751
Advertising, marketing, direct mail and publicity	11,987	-	11,987	10,400	-	10,400
Total	14,764	-	14,764	13,151	-	13,151
Charitable activities:						
Beneficiary Support	5,408	48,850	54,258	31,704	10,612	42,316
Salaries and on costs	8,972	164,922	173,894	142,193	10,721	152,914
Administration and support	6,298	-	6,298	3,248	-	3,248
Total	20,678	213,772	234,450	177,146	21,333	198,479
Other:						
Governance	1,882	-	1,882	1,356	-	1,356
Total	1,882	-	1,882	1,356	-	1,356
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	37,324	213,772	251,096	191,652	21,333	212,986

6 - Paid Employees

6.1 Staff Costs

	2024/5	2023/4
	£	£
Salaries and wages	162,879	147,707
Social security costs	16,984	11,922
Pension costs (defined contribution scheme)	2,362	1,541
Total staff costs	182,225	161,170
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Costs (included above) for key management personnel	58,360	35,945

6.2 Average Head Count

	2024/5	2023/4
Fundraising	1	1
Charitable Activities	5	4
Governance	-	-
Total	6	5

No employees received employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) of more than £60,000 for the reporting period.

There were no ex gratia, redundancy or dismissal costs paid during the reporting period.

6.3 Defined Contribution Pension Scheme

	2024/5	2023/4
	£	£
Amount of contributions recognised in the SOFA as an expense	2,362	1,541

All staff with pensionable salaries are engaged solely on charitable activities and their salaries are funded by restricted grants.

7 - Debtors and Prepayments

	2024/5	2023/4
	£	£
Prepayments and accrued income	26,317	15,172
Other debtors	-	-
Total	26,317	15,172

8 - Creditors and Accruals

Amounts falling due within one year

	2024/5	2023/4
	£	£
Accruals for grants payable	32,158	16,750
Accruals - other	6,000	-
Taxation and social security	5,345	-
Other creditors	-	-
Total	43,503	16,750

9 - Cash at Bank and in Hand

	2024/5	2023/4
	£	£
Short term deposits (reserves)	40,000	-
Cash at bank and on hand	78,164	79,637
Other	-	-
Total	118,164	79,637

10 - Trustee Remuneration and Benefits

One trustee is employed by the charity on a part time basis. There is clear differentiation between their paid role and their unpaid trustee duties.

The trustee's skills and experience are essential to the operation of the charity. They were initially employed on a freelance basis prior to becoming a trustee and are now fully employed through the payroll.

The legal authority for this employment is the charity's governing document and minuted full Board approval.

The trustee's salary is included in Note 6.

10.1 Trustee remuneration Details

Name	2024/5			2023/4		
	Remuneration £	Pension contribution £	TOTAL £	Remuneration £	Pension contribution £	TOTAL £
Gemma Driver	8,331	-	8,331	8,256	-	8,256

10.2 Trustee Expenses

The following expenses were paid to trustees for the purposes of fulfilling their duties.

	2024/5 £	2023/4 £
Travel	1,019	650
Other (meeting refreshments):	154	-
TOTAL	1,173	650

Number of trustees reimbursed	3	1
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INTRODUCTION OF RESERVES

Trustees carried out a risk assessment exercise, whereby known risks were assessed against likelihood and potential impact. The board concluded that the single biggest risk to the charity's finances on that basis is the Home Office identifying a second hotel in our area for asylum seeker accommodation.

Trustees therefore decided to mitigate the impact of that risk by creating a separate reserve of £40,000 that would cover the majority of the cost of a paid staff member to coordinate hotel support, similar to the provision at Chichester Park hotel.

This risk assessment will be repeated as part of the 2025/26 budget-setting.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tony Toynton', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Tony Toynton
CHAIR OF TRUSTEES

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5 YEAR iMPACT REPORT

May 2019 - May 2024

The social and economic impact of Sanctuary in Chichester

A report by the Chair and trustees of Sanctuary in Chichester to mark the end of its 5th year as a registered charity, supporting refugees and asylum seekers in the Chichester area.



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FOREWORD

It has been my privilege and pleasure to chair the board of trustees of this amazing local charity since its official recognition in May 2019.

This report is published to mark the charity's 5th anniversary and to highlight some of the fantastic work carried out by trustees, staff and volunteers over that time.

Importantly, it also records many of the wider social and economic impacts the charity has brought to our local community.

Social Impact can be described as: any significant or positive changes that solve or at least address social injustice and challenges. Organisations achieve these goals through conscious and deliberate efforts or activities in their operations and administrations.

Economic Impact can be described as a financial effect that something, especially something new, has on a situation or person.

SiC is the only local charity dedicated to supporting refugees and asylum seekers in the Chichester area. It emerged from a small but highly motivated group of local people who came together in around 2017 having spotted that there was no charity locally



Tony Toynton
Chair of Trustees

supporting refugees and that state provision was - and indeed remains - seriously limited.

Over its 5-year existence the charity has grown significantly in all aspects as more and more refugees and asylum seekers are housed in the Chichester area by the government.

FOREWORD CONT'D...

Trustees have decided on two key strategic aims for the charity:

1. That all beneficiaries are safe and feel safe in their new adopted community.

2. That all beneficiaries develop lives independent of state and charitable support to the extent that they are able.

Our beneficiaries are people of all ages, cultures and backgrounds. The one thing they all have in common is that they have felt it necessary to leave their homes and seek safety (asylum) elsewhere.

We know that many have fled war, famine, oppression and/ or severe discrimination and for many their refugee 'journey' has been arduous and traumatic.

We do not ask our beneficiaries to tell their stories but many are keen to, and when they do we listen respectfully. We do not judge.

Due to the stresses and associated trauma of having to leave home, friends and often family to seek refuge in a foreign country, many will inevitably take a long time to settle back into a 'normal' life. The very fact that so much in their new community is different and unfamiliar can make it seem scary and confusing. The temptation can be to hide away and therefore not integrate or benefit from all the UK has to offer.

On the other hand, we know that many refugees are keen to study, to work and to make a new independent life for themselves and their families, and that is where SiC can and does make the greatest difference. The impact data and associated stories in this report indicate that we are having remarkable success.

Our workforce is almost entirely made up of volunteers, supported by four paid members of staff.

Voluntary, unpaid workers they may be but I have seen this workforce operating as professionally and effectively as any other. The charity could not function without people stepping forward and offering their time, care, skills and experience, and they are all - past and present - to be thanked enormously for what they do.

During my time as Chair, the board has seen some trustees leave and others join. At every point in its development the board has been dedicated and effective in ensuring the proper management and governance of this Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO).

But our trustees are far more than people who simply attend a regular board meeting. Every trustee puts in a huge amount of time and effort on behalf of the charity and many provide significant direct support to beneficiaries. They all bring considerable skills and experience from a wide range of backgrounds and offer it so generously to the charity.

None of the successes identified in this report would have been possible without the enormous effort put in by everyone associated with SiC.

Equally, none of it would have been possible without our generous donors, the support of Chichester District Council, Chichester City Council and West Sussex County Council, along with all of our other local partners. (Much more detail below.) Since the first Syrian refugees arrived in around 2017, the community of Chichester District has proved itself generous, warm, welcoming and kind, and I see no reason for it not to continue as such.

Putting all of the information together for this report has given me great joy and optimism and I recommend it to you.



INTRODUCTION

Sanctuary in Chichester (SiC) provides practical, social and pastoral support to refugees and asylum seekers in the Chichester area (the District). The charity:

- **Provides paid employment for 4 people**
- **Has 125 active volunteers plus 10 more who act as trustees. Most of these volunteers live within the local area, and one trustee, Waleed Hussein, came to the UK as a refugee and is now our 'Lived Experience Ambassador', gathering and representing the voices and views of those we support.**
- **Supports c.200 refugees (70 families) living in the community, including people housed as part of the Asylum Dispersal Scheme (various nationalities).**
- **Supports c.200 asylum-seeking refugees housed in a local hotel whilst awaiting a decision on their application for asylum.**
- **Supports c.20 Ukrainian refugees (Homes for Ukraine).**
- **Since May 2019 it is estimated that SiC has actively supported a total of 600 refugees.**

Chichester District is a mainly rural area with small towns and the cathedral city of Chichester, situated in the south of England with a population of 124,100. It is the least densely populated of the 64 local authority areas in the South-East of England (census 2021).

The resident population is almost entirely 'white British' and a significant percentage are over 65.

People living in the district who are non-white are predominantly employed in the NHS, residential care and horticulture, many of whom will have a work permit and visa

allowing them to be in the UK for a certain period of time, provided the work they came to do continues. This does not give them leave to remain.

Most migrants working in the horticulture industry will be seasonal workers only. Whilst some clearly do move to a level of integration with the local community, many are unlikely to and there is very little incentive for them to do so.

SANCTUARY IN CHICHESTER'S BEGINNINGS

In 2017, a fledgling group calling itself Sanctuary in Chichester was established to provide assistance to refugees arriving on the Government's Syrian Vulnerable Persons Resettlement Scheme.

In 2019, the (new) Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) called Sanctuary in Chichester was formed and registered with the Charity Commission for the purposes of 'providing practical, social and pastoral support to refugees and asylum seekers in the Chichester area'.

DEFINING THE NEED

Research in the UK has found that people from ethnic minority backgrounds have higher rates of loneliness, and that new migrants, asylum seekers and refugees face significant social isolation.

The effects of social isolation are intensified in many cases by the significant trauma and associated mental health issues experienced by asylum seekers and refugees before arriving in this country. Limited language skills and racial, ethnic or other discrimination exacerbates feelings of isolation and lack of safety.

The effect of social isolation and loneliness on mortality is comparable to that of other well-established risk factors such as smoking, obesity, and physical inactivity.³

In Chichester District the population is 99% white British, 'Christian' and with a large percentage over 65, whereas a significant proportion of the refugees and asylum seekers supported by Sanctuary in Chichester are non-white, under the age of 40 and observe other faiths.

Most local politicians are white British. Of West Sussex County Council's 70 members, four are non-white. Of Chichester District Council's 36 members, one is non-white.

There is currently very little real evidence of integration of the refugee community into the rest of the population. Whilst the school age children of all SiC's beneficiary families are in full-time education, parents generally are yet to engage with schools in any meaningful way. (More details below.)

In the past two years a number (fewer than 30) of SiC beneficiaries have found regular employment locally and therefore remain too few to make them any more than a visible minority.

SiC's Nations United football project for older boys and young refugee men brings them to the University of Chichester to train, learn and play on a weekly basis and they have competed in matches against other local teams. This has had a positive impact, but again their activities remain largely separate from the wider community.

SiC's experience of working with refugees has shown us that many individuals and families acutely miss the support networks they left behind, along with the familiar cultural aspects they represented. These support systems included extended families and friends, or perhaps the local mosque, temple or gurdwara community. There are currently none of these religious establishments in Chichester.

Many refugees on arrival in the UK speak little or no English and even fewer can read or write in English. A significant proportion, especially of the women, are illiterate in their own languages, making learning English a huge uphill battle.

As with most people who set up home in a new country, they have little to no understanding of local systems, infrastructure, cultural norms, behaviours and expectations.

They simply don't understand how to 'navigate' their new environment and can't tell who they can trust. This makes newcomers very vulnerable to exploitation and other abuses.

People don't know what areas are safe, especially at night, nor do they know whether local services such as public transport are safe for everyone to use.

2. <https://www.redcross.org.uk/about-us/what-we-do/we-speak-up-for-change/barriers-to-belonging>; <https://www.aljazeera.com/features/2019/6/20/why-are-british-ethnic-minorities-more-likely-to-be-lonely>

3. <https://www.who.int/teams/social-determinants-of-health/demographic-change-and-healthy-ageing/social-isolation-and-loneliness>

DEFINING THE NEED CONT'D....

Many have a poor understanding of the world of work in the UK, what is expected by employers or what can be expected of employers in terms of working conditions, rights and responsibilities.

The majority of refugees we have met have no or a very limited CV, and even CVs that do have valuable qualifications and work experience on them can appear practically meaningless to local employers. A simple example: a Syrian man has extensive experience as an interior painter and decorator but his portfolio contains only examples of work carried out in mosques and other Islamic buildings.

Qualifications and experience gained in other countries are often not directly transferable to the UK workplace. Even for simple things such as driving licences, those gained outside Europe are often not recognised in the UK, so people must start again with an online theory test and then a practical driving test.

The benefits system in the UK (Universal Credit etc) is complex and very difficult to understand, particularly without a strong command of English!

Asylum seekers housed and supported under Section 95 within the Asylum Dispersal Scheme, have financial support removed 28 days after notification of approved refugee and leave to remain status. Shortly afterwards, they receive eviction notice from their accommodation and the expectation that they will be able to fend for themselves in immediately finding paid work (having not been allowed to work apart from in a limited choice of shortage occupations while seeking asylum) and accessing affordable housing, while also registering for benefits, paying initial bills and generally feeding and putting a roof over their families' heads is totally unrealistic.

The adage 'No address, no job. No address, no bank account. No bank account, no job' is very pertinent to the context of refugees in the UK. Tackling this hurdle forms a very important part of SiC's support to every asylum seeker and refugee who registers with us.

Any and all of the difficulties and barriers to independence outlined above can lead to refugees not engaging with their new adopted community, because they do not feel safe to do so or indeed understand how they could engage.

OUR WORK

In carrying out its remit to support refugees and asylum seekers Sanctuary in Chichester provides:

BEFRIENDING

On arrival everyone is met and 'welcomed', generally by a member of staff initially, to establish their early needs and whether they want to register for the charity's support.

Once registered, every effort is made to provide any practical help needed, including with registration with local GP medical centres and schools, and introduction to public transport and shopping facilities. Through a coordinated network of support, generally in collaboration with other local charities and churches, basic needs are met with the provision of items of clothing, food, furniture and kitchenware. For those families with children, everything from baby clothes to pushchairs to security devices are provided.

When necessary, SiC funds are used to provide items that cannot be sourced free of charge. SiC also ensures that all families have access to the internet, a mobile phone and a television.

As soon as possible, volunteer befrienders are recruited and allocated to new arrivals. In addition, where requested, a volunteer English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) tutor is assigned.

Volunteer befrienders provide a huge range of practical support in the first few months after arrival. This will include ensuring accommodation is fully furnished and equipped, help with understanding utility services and bills, help and advice on shopping, finding medical services, and understanding how public infrastructure works, especially transport.

Being a relatively rural area, public transport is limited and can be prohibitively expensive. SiC staff therefore coordinate a lift bank and often befrienders provide transport to essential appointments, food bank visits and other important activities that would otherwise not be accessible.

All of this work is designed to ensure that new arrivals feel welcomed and that they feel and indeed are safe in their new community.

As early as possible, staff and volunteers will start drafting a Family Plan to agree with beneficiaries, that documents how people want to be supported and how they would like to see their new lives in the Chichester area develop. These plans include a number of goals, such as improving English or perhaps passing the driving test, all of which is later incorporated into individual Pathways To Independence plans (covered later), established between SiC and individuals once they have started to settle in their new environment.

So that we can monitor our performance towards our strategic aim that refugees should be and feel safe in their new surroundings (the Chichester area), we ask people during family reviews if they feel safer since they have been supported by Sanctuary in Chichester. Of the 33 individuals who responded to this question since we started asking it in 2023, 32 reported that they do feel safer, with only one saying that they did not feel any safer.

WEEKLY DROP-IN

SiC has always provided a weekly drop-in social event to welcome new arrivals and provide a safe environment for conversation and making new friends, and somewhere to get help and advice from volunteers. Open to all at a local church community hall, this acts as the charity's 'front door' and a haven for those seeking company and support. We often meet new refugee arrivals for the first time at the Drop-In, when, having heard about the sessions, they come along to find help.

ESOL (ENGLISH FOR SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES) TUTORING

The single biggest obstacle to integration and independence is lack of English language skills. SiC has a cohort of 28 ESOL tutors who mostly provide one-to-one tuition, but also teach some classes and support the ESOL efforts at the Drop-In and at the hotel. All our volunteer tutors are qualified to teach English to speakers of other languages, and a good proportion of them have many years' experience in this field, both in the UK and overseas.

As a measure of the contribution this makes, in 2023 tutors provided 650 hours of tuition to individuals. Coupled with the classes taught by SiC that year, this equated to roughly £21,500 at current market rates for ESOL teaching.

WEEKLY WOMEN'S GROUP

SiC has been running a weekly group exclusively for women since 2021, and in 2022 funding was awarded by WSCC for a creche at the group. Currently the women's group provides; social activities, including a craft table and group discussions; English lessons at beginner and intermediate levels; hand massage and aromatherapy; and the creche for under 5s run by qualified early years helpers.

Around 20-25 women regularly attend the group, with up to 10 children in the creche. The women's group provides a safe space for women to meet and socialise, play with their children, and - importantly - practice English. Friendships and solidarity have developed between women at the group who have no other common language.

The creche is important for ensuring that women are not additionally isolated due to childcare responsibilities, as we previously found this to be a significant barrier to accessing language classes and to any kind of socialising outside the family home.

NATIONS UNITED FOOTBALL

Nations United is a football team and a football-based project, supported by the University of Chichester, that brings together around 30 young refugee men each week to train and play together. Many players are or were Unaccompanied Asylum-Seeking Children (UASC) who live in the area in the care of West Sussex County Council, and they often continue to train and play with the team after they become adults and move out of care into the local community. With the influx of so many new asylum seekers, the project has expanded to welcome individuals living at the hotel, providing an social outlet and a valuable community activity away from the constraints of their accommodation. The University provides use of their pitches and classrooms, along with the time and skills of student coaches.

SUPPORTING THOSE GAINING LEAVE TO REMAIN

Whilst being granted leave to remain is a significant positive milestone for beneficiaries, it is also very stressful, with almost immediate removal of Home Office support, which has generally been relied upon for a significant period of time

- sometimes a number of years - whilst awaiting the asylum and leave to remain decision. Home Office financial support is removed 28 days from the date of the decision. This often coincides with eviction from Home Office accommodation, notice for which can be anything from seven to 28 days from receipt of the Biometric Residence Permit card, which follows notification of refugee status. At this point, refugees are expected to find new affordable accommodation, a job and to navigate the complexities of the UK benefits system. SiC volunteers do all they can to prepare refugees for this transition, sorting out National Insurance numbers and bank accounts ahead of the decision, and Universal Credit and local housing registration immediately after, working closely with Chichester District Council. It still often comes as a shock, though.

SUPPORT AT THE HOTEL HOUSING ASYLUM SEEKERS

The hotel houses around 200 people awaiting a decision on their application for asylum. SiC provides a full-time Volunteer Coordinator who provides the initial meet and greet service, assessing needs and providing a welcome and practical support. Once established in the hotel, the most pressing needs are providing help and advice on the asylum process (form filling, attending interviews etc) and preparing people for the time when they achieve their leave to remain.

ASYLUM SUPPORT GROUP

With a diverse cross section of asylum-seeking individuals and families accommodated and transitioning through the hotel, many at different stages of the asylum process, SiC has established a weekly support group comprising a small cohort of experienced volunteers and staff. The aim of the group is to provide reassurance and to assist with advice on the asylum process, associated documentation and to signpost individuals and families to legal support and alternative sources of help.

EXTERNAL SUPPORT COORDINATION

Individuals along with local charities, churches and clubs offer support to hotel residents (for example, provision of clothes and toys or cooking facilities) and other beneficiaries (household goods, clothes, children's car seats and much more), and SiC's staff coordinate all of this.

SUPPORTING SCHOOL CHILDREN

One of SiC's key ambitions is to support our beneficiary children and their parents to help them thrive in the school system and enable them to take full advantage of the UK's education provision.

Many of the refugees supported by SiC are young families, with parents under 45 years of age, and often several children in full-time education.

Beneficiary families living in our community have some 93 children, 64 of whom are attending local schools. Children are arriving with very little English and often with no history of structured education.

Some schools have just one refugee child enrolled, others far more. The schools are stepping up to the challenge but it is difficult for them to give each individual child what they need, and sometimes they struggle to establish relationships with the parents, who themselves have no real concept of what is expected of them in the English education system.

The children may be from cultures which do not value education or extra-curricular activities in the same way – particularly for girls. Parents can be quite fearful of what their children are experiencing when they are not there to protect them.

There is often little money to buy school uniform and sports equipment, fund school trips and buy books. SiC can

provide some financial support for such items, to ensure beneficiary children do not miss out or feel additionally 'different' to other children.

SiC provides support to Bishop Luffa and Chichester High schools by providing a team of volunteers (10 at present and growing). These are largely retired teachers, experienced ESOL tutors and/ or experts in working with traumatised children. They attend the school each week for one scheduled lesson and provide one-to-one support for refugee children. This intervention is teacher-guided and may consist of pre-learning, help with homework, or basic reading support.

Through our relationships with schools, we can intercede and support where issues arise e.g. handling behavioural issues, homework not being completed or perhaps addressing health needs.

SiC is expanding this evolving model and is already in talks with two further high schools.

PATHWAYS TO INDEPENDENCE

To achieve one of its key strategic aims - i.e. that all beneficiaries develop lives independent of state and charitable support to the extent that they are able - the charity employs a Programme Manager who works alongside volunteer befrienders and/ or directly with beneficiaries to develop personal Pathways to Independence plans.

Our Pathways to Independence (PTI) programme was launched at the beginning of 2023. By the end of the first year, 51 individuals had agreed a personal PTI plan with their befrienders and the Programme Manager.

The focus is on helping people access education, training and employment by identifying individual opportunities and challenges, and providing group training workshops.

More detail on the impact of this and on all of our projects follows in the next section.

MEET EYAD

Eyad had built up a thriving street food restaurant in his hometown of Homs, Syria, before it was destroyed in the war. "I have been cooking for a long time," he explains. "I worked hard in Syria and my aim has always been to make customers happy with my food."

Sanctuary in Chichester supported Eyad and his wife Joyhana to establish E&J Syrian Cuisine, serving delicious Syrian food from their popular stall at local markets, and providing catering for events. Setting up their own business in the UK has been transformative for the family after several years of struggling to get on their feet. Eyad describes the feeling as "stepping into the light from the dark".

Find E&J Syrian Cuisine on Wednesdays at Chichester market and Saturdays at Southampton market.



"This is my dream. Thank you, Sanctuary in Chichester, for your unwavering support." - Eyad

COMMUNITY IMPACT

The benefits brought to the Chichester District by Sanctuary in Chichester and its beneficiaries are extensive.

It is clear to all members of the charity that without our direct support, many of the widely-acknowledged benefits of inward migration would not manifest locally, due to the multiple challenges beneficiaries face when they arrive.

THE LOCAL ECONOMY

According to The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), inward migration benefits the economy in the following ways:

Labour markets

Migrants account for significant increases to the workforce.

Public purse

Migrants contribute more in taxes and social contributions than they receive in benefits.

Economic growth

Migration boosts the working age population.⁴

A total of **£405,420** has been raised in the form of grants from charitable trusts and The National Lottery Community Fund to Sanctuary in Chichester since 2019, almost all of which has been spent in Chichester District, either in employing local people and purchasing goods and services directly, or the purchasing of goods and services by the beneficiaries themselves through grants from SiC.

THE WIDER IMPACT

To illustrate how far-reaching and wide-ranging the impacts of our work are, the rest of this section is dedicated to success stories that we believe were achieved thanks to the charity's direct intervention and support.

The **University of Chichester** hosts an innovative bridging course called '**From Adversity to University**', designed to assist those from disadvantaged backgrounds to access higher education. SiC has worked with the University of Chichester to sponsor 10 students on this course, all of whom successfully completed it.

The students have benefited enormously from attending the University and participating in the course, gaining self-confidence and motivation to pursue further studies or explore other new opportunities. One student was particularly moved at the award ceremony as it was the first certificate he had ever received.

In 2023 **Chichester Cathedral hosted a fundraising concert** on behalf of the charity in partnership with **University of Chichester Conservatoire**, a music project that performs almost entirely on campus. The exposure the Conservatoire received at this event not only raised their profile but has partly provided the basis for a funding bid to enable them to welcome more people from the local community into their concerts and events.

Our **Nations United football project** has seen some 112 young men participate since 2018. In addition, a small number of **University of Chichester** sports science students have developed their CVs by providing coaching and other support to Nations United.

4. <https://www.oecd.org/migration/OECD%20Migration%20Policy%20Debates%20Numero%202.pdf>

THE WIDER IMPACT CONT'D...

Nations United was initiated by Jelani, a young Somalian refugee who was living in foster care with a SiC trustee at the time. Now a young adult, he has a CV that shows how he developed within the project to becoming Team Captain, Deputy Manager and finally an accredited SiC volunteer. By the end of 2023 he had moved into his own rented flat, he does not receive any state or charitable support and he holds down two jobs to support himself.

The project has also helped three young refugees gain a coaching qualification from the Football Association. Many participants have not just improved their playing skills but have learned about coaching, team work, conflict management, personal fitness, and health and safety - all of which opens up more opportunities for their future.

Chichester Cathedral and many of the local churches have been both welcoming and generous to SiC and its beneficiaries of all faiths.

In turn, some local churches and the Cathedral have seen their congregations increase with the presence of refugees and asylum seekers having been 'signposted' by SiC volunteers, and congregations have also benefited from the increased diversity. In addition, many churches have organised local cultural events to raise funds for us.

With SiC's and St Paul's Church's support, a group of Ukrainian refugees have established **Volya Choir**, that now frequently performs in local churches and at musical events, including at some church fundraisers.

Chichester Cathedral is a regular venue for world class art exhibitions. During June, July and August 2023 it **hosted a bespoke exhibition called Resilience in Clay**, featuring sculptures of refugees by local artist and SiC volunteer Kate Viner.

Kate - who had previous experience of producing creative opportunities for our community members - worked with SiC beneficiaries and a volunteer with a refugee background as subjects to create portraits in clay and the Cathedral hosted a number of satellite events involving refugee participants. The Cathedral's Dean was quoted as saying "Resilience in Clay challenges the dehumanising and harmful rhetoric that is currently invoked about some of those seeking sanctuary in our nation."

During the period of the exhibition the Cathedral recorded a 16% increase in visitor numbers compared to the same period in 2022. A survey identified that 53% were first time visitors. This also resulted in an increase in general visitor donations to the cathedral of £17,000 and a dedicated SiC donation box by the exhibition raised an additional £1,786.

Kate was awarded a grant from **Arts Council England** to produce the exhibition.

SiC has developed a partnership with Pallant House Gallery in Chichester for the benefit of those we serve, the gallery and the wider local community.

Between 6th October 2023 and 4th February 2024 **Pallant House Gallery** hosted an exhibition called **Sanctuary Selects**. A small number of SiC beneficiaries and volunteers were given access to the gallery's print collection and invited to select pieces for the exhibition. These participant-curators provided descriptions of why they had chosen the prints, which were then displayed alongside the pieces.

The exhibition was funded jointly by the gallery and an individual benefactor who provided a sizeable grant.

17,135 people visited the gallery while the exhibition was running.

Additionally, one of SiC's Syrian beneficiaries is a member of the gallery's community access forum, thus enhancing the **diversity of voices** in the programme and making it more effective.

THE WIDER IMPACT CONT'D...

A new business for Chichester - One success story came after a Syrian couple, Eyad and Joyhana, were helped by Pathways to Independence Manager, Kerry Foster, to achieve their dream of starting a new food business, having left a successful restaurant when it was destroyed in the war. See 'Meet Eyad', p11.

After four years of being supported by SiC to improve their English sufficiently to establish a business, the additional impetus provided by Kerry saw them gain the knowledge, certificates, bank account and website they needed for the new business. This enabled them to initially launch in 2023 as a home-based Syrian food delivery service. Then in January 2024 they evolved to offering freshly cooked Syrian food sold from their popular stall at local markets. Their long-term goal is to have their own restaurant in the Chichester area.

This new business has not only increased the diversity of the food offering in the city (theirs is the first Syrian food business), but the owners purchase their raw materials from local suppliers on a weekly basis.

16 beneficiaries have been supported to become involved in volunteering: four asylum seekers living in the community, three refugees (with leave to remain) and nine asylum seekers housed at the hotel.

St Wilfrid's Hospice currently have three SiC beneficiaries volunteering with them, two working in charity shops and one supporting their e-commerce operations. All three have told us that they are enjoying their volunteering and described what a difference it has made to their wellbeing, as well helping them to **feel valuable members of the community and improving their employability.**

One commented, "As an asylum seeker, suddenly out of work and in a new country without the right to work, I felt I was wasting

my time and skills at home and was very bored. It has been a great way to refresh my skills and keep me up to date with the latest ways of working in my area of interest. It has lifted my mood since I started volunteering and I have discovered I have transferable skills and something I can offer others."

Four beneficiaries volunteer at **UK Harvest's** community food hubs. This experience is clearly supporting their integration into the community through meeting local people, working as part of a team and improving their overall employment prospects, as well as being able to contribute to the local community.

Two beneficiaries regularly volunteer with **My Sister's House**, a local women's aid charity.

Six beneficiaries are volunteers with **Stonepillow**, a local charity supporting homeless people.

Volunteering for Sanctuary in Chichester

The charity has 135 active volunteers including 10 trustees. It is widely acknowledged that volunteering brings a range of benefits to volunteers,⁵ including:

- Acquiring new skills and valuable work experience
- Social connection and making new friends
- Better physical and mental health and wellbeing
- Improved self-worth from 'giving back'
- Improved self-confidence
- A sense of connection to others in the community
- A sense of achievement from contributing to community development

SiC's regular training sessions and guidance provides volunteers with the new knowledge and skills needed to effectively support beneficiaries, and this is almost always an environment they have not worked in before.

5. <https://www.ncvo.org.uk/news-and-insights/news-index/time-well-spent-national-survey-volunteer-experience/volunteer-impacts/>; <https://www.royalvoluntaryservice.org.uk/volunteering/why-volunteer/benefits-of-volunteering/>

THE WIDER IMPACT CONT'D...

During the Covid crisis (2020/21), all face-to-face support for beneficiaries had to stop. SiC's cohort of befrienders and ESOL tutors responded magnificently, swiftly moving everything online.

In so doing, many had to quickly **learn new skills and adapt to a new normal**. They learned how to use the various apps that emerged to allow home working, homeschooling and virtual social gatherings.

Testimony to our volunteers' capabilities and dedication came from a local headteacher; soon after his school reopened following lockdown, he told us that he and his staff had noticed that the children of SiC beneficiaries had coped as well - and in some cases better than - every other pupil facing the challenges of homeschooling. This is a huge achievement, as refugee parents struggled to support their children's learning due to lack of English, and the children had to adapt not only to an alien curriculum but also to receiving all their education online.

We funded a number of tablets and laptops in the early days of lockdown to help with the change, as schools and local authorities took time to plug the gaps.

In late 2023, a former refugee, Waleed Hussein, now settled with his family in Chichester, became a trustee of the charity, having previously been supported by SiC to gain work experience at a local school, which resulted in a teaching qualification and a job. **Waleed's presence on the board means the trustees are provided with valuable insights when evaluating and planning services.**

He is also helping the charity develop new ways for beneficiaries' voices to become integral to everything the charity does.

Other people Sanctuary in Chichester has supported have become volunteers with us, helping to welcome new arrivals and assisting with our operations. We feel this demonstrates how valuable they found our community to be when they were in need of us.

CENIA'S STORY

Having fled violence and repeated gang raids at their home in El Salvador, Cenia and her partner Angel arrived in the UK in 2020 to seek safety. When Cenia found she was pregnant a year later, she was very worried as she didn't know how she would be able to manage in an unfamiliar country without knowing the language. A turning point was when her newborn baby became ill and Cenia's lack of English meant she was unable to call for an ambulance or a taxi. *"I made the decision that I couldn't live like this, I had to learn English to take care of my daughter to the best of my ability."*

She also faced isolation, loneliness and postnatal depression, but through dogged determination and hard work, Cenia now speaks English well. This means she can express herself, benefit from counselling and make friends. Through Sanctuary in Chichester's support she is studying at the University of Chichester to achieve her ambition of being a teacher; *"Sanctuary has helped me so much. Today, I feel so happy - I have the opportunity to be the best person I can be. I felt like an asylum seeker before; now I feel like Cenia -*

"I can fit in, be part of and give back to the community."



FUNDING

Sanctuary in Chichester is very grateful for the generous financial support of many individuals, some of whom give regularly and others by making one-off donations.

A number of local organisations and churches regularly hold fundraising events and some donate church collection proceeds.

Our largest source of funding comes from charitable trusts, some of whom have made more than one grant, while others - most notably The National Lottery Community Fund - have given us multi-year grants that contribute significantly towards our general running costs.

Grants have been received from the following charitable trusts:

Albert Hunt Charitable Trust	The Henry Smith Charity
The Allen Lane Foundation	The Hendy Foundation
The Arnold Clark Community Fund	The Homity Trust
The Bassil Shippam and Alsford Trust	The National Lottery Community Fund
The Bernadette Charitable Trust	Postcode Society Trust
Charles Jacob Charitable Trust	The R G Riddell Charitable Trust
Chichester Welfare Trust	E A Sneller
Garfield Weston Foundation	Society of the Holy Child Jesus
The F Glenister Woodger Trust	Sussex Community Foundation
The Golden Bottle Trust	The Weinstock Fund
The Greenhalgh Family Trust	The Wickens Family Trust

We must also thank the following for their generosity both financial and in kind:

Chichester Cathedral	My Sister's House
Chichester District Foodbank	Revelation Family Church
Chichester Quaker Meeting	Rotary Club of Chichester
Grace Church	Stonepillow
Harbour Churches	St Paul's Chichester
Midhurst Methodist Church	St Richard's Church

CHALLENGES FOR 2024 AND BEYOND

As a board of trustees we know that we have to address the following challenges:

- Recruiting sufficient volunteers to support the ever-increasing number of refugees arriving in the area.
- Helping the growing number of asylum seekers receiving their leave to remain decision. Whilst clearly seen as a success for them it creates its own challenges not least as they only have seven days in which to find somewhere to live and establish the means to support themselves..
- Developing the 'voice' of our beneficiaries. Trustees are committed to the principle of 'Nothing for me without me' and need to involve beneficiaries a lot more in developing our services and support offerings.
- Building on the successes of our Pathways to Independence programme to increase provision of practical, individualised support for people to integrate into their new, adopted community and live independently.
- Continuing to raise the money we need for ensuring our services and support are sustainable.

The next five years are likely to bring new challenges too, but we know that we can count on the community of Chichester, our partners and supporters to help us meet them and provide a better future for refugees and asylum seekers in the Chichester area.



Tony Toynton
31st May 2024



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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date June 1 2023	To	Period end date May 31 2024
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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 £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	41,085	-		41,085	86,473
Grants - restricted	-	124,866	-	124,866	63,106
Grants - unrestricted	-	-	-	-	-
Refunds	-	-	-	-	30
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	41,085	124,866	-	165,951	149,609
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
NIL	-	-	-	-	-
NIL	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	41,085	124,866	-	165,951	149,609
A3 Payments					
Creche Drop In	-	8,366	-	8,366	6,596
SiC Running Costs	4,419	-	-	4,419	7,750
Professional Services	12,353	-	-	12,353	3,080
Refugee & AS support	31,704	-	-	31,704	43,137
Wages and on costs	18,977	134,510	-	153,487	62,367
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	67,453	142,876	-	210,329	122,931
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
NIL	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	67,453	142,876	-	210,329	122,931
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 26,368	- 18,010	-	- 44,378	26,678
A5 Transfers between funds			-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	106,005	18,010	-	124,015	97,337
Cash funds this year end	79,637	-	-	79,637	124,015

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	Reserves c/o from FY 2023	106,005	18,010	-
	Transactions this year	- 26,368	- 18,010	-
	Transfers in year	-	-	-
	Total cash funds	79,637	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

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

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

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

Categories	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
		Tony Toynton Susan Hilgers		



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Sanctuary in Chichester

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 May 2024

**Charity no
(if any)**

1181855

Set out on pages

1 and 2

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 / 05 / 2024.

**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 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 (~~other than that disclosed below~~*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* *Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Anthony Corkett

Date:

29/11/2024

Name:

Anthony Corkett

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SANCTUARY IN CHICHESTER CIO

England & Wales - Charity number 1181855

Accounts

Due to continued family illness and other complications, it has been a quiet year for the Foundation.

We have taken no money this year, but we have started contacting several hospices and Pancreatic cancer surgeons to see what we can do to help them this year. Again, we are not going to rush with our donations and make sure we are providing funds in the right areas.

Once again It is our intention to start using the money in the upcoming year to provide support to registered charities and hospices as set out in our constitution. We would rather take our time and make sure the money is going to the right causes.



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Sanctuary In Chichester CIO

1181855

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

Period start date
June 1 2022



To

Period end date
May 31 2023

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 £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	86,473	-	-	86,473	-
Grants - restricted	-	63,106	-	63,106	-
Grants - unrestricted	-	-	-	-	-
Refunds	30	-	-	30	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	86,503	63,106	-	149,609	131,503
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
NIL	-	-	-	-	-
NIL	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	86,503	63,106	-	149,609	131,503
A3 Payments					
Creche Drop In	-	6,596	-	6,596	-
SiC Running Costs	7,750	-	-	7,750	-
Professional Services	3,080	-	-	3,080	-
Refugee & AS support	43,137	-	-	43,137	-
Wages and on costs	23,867	38,500	-	62,367	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	77,835	45,096	-	122,931	51,819
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
NIL	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	77,835	45,096	-	122,931	51,819
Net of receipts/(payments)	8,668	18,010	-	26,678	79,684
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	97,337	-	-	97,337	17,653
Cash funds this year end	106,005	18,010	-	124,015	97,337

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

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B1 Cash funds	Reserves c/o from FY 2022	97,337	18,010	-
		8,668	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	106,005	18,010	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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			-	-
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
			Tony Toynton	
			Susan Hilgers	20/12/2023



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SANCTUARY IN CHICHESTER CIO

England & Wales - Charity number 1181855

Accounts

Sanctuary in Chichester annual report for the period June 2021 to May 2022.

Sanctuary in Chichester's year runs from 1st June to 31st May. This report is for all of our friends, supporters and statutory partners and is intended to summarise the fantastic work undertaken by our volunteers and staff and to highlight the main challenges and developments that happened during the year.

Summary

The number of families and individuals supported continues to grow. The crisis in Afghanistan in late 2021 brought eight new families to our area. We are also supporting five families awaiting a decision on their asylum application and a number of individuals.

The ongoing war in Ukraine is providing a significant number of new challenges for us as this new scheme changed the whole dynamic of our support. As ever our volunteers and staff have risen to this new challenge in the best possible fashion. After a difficult year for our finances we invested a great deal of time and effort on fundraising. With the help of a new volunteer with extensive previous experience we are now in a strong position financially.

The board of trustees has seen various changes with some trustees leaving, which is always sad. During the year our founding chair, Roger Pask stood down. Roger's contribution to Sanctuary in Chichester cannot be overstated. We have taken opportunities to strengthen the board with some new skilled trustees.

As the charity grows we continue to develop our systems and processes to ensure everyone remains safe and our beneficiaries and statutory partners can be reassured of our dedication and professionalism.

A huge debt of gratitude is owed to our volunteers, trustees and donors all of whom help us deliver the levels of practical, social and practical support to every refugee and asylum seeker in the Chichester area that comes to us for help.

Our beneficiaries

We now actively support 40 families (80 adults and 70 children), many of whom are now living in our area following resettlement from the war in Syria and the crisis in Afghanistan. In addition we support refugee individuals and families from many other conflicts and disasters who have been granted leave to remain. We also support several families housed in our area by the Home Office whilst their asylum application is being considered. Such families are often the ones in greatest need as most are not permitted to work and in addition to being provided with basic accommodation they only have £39 each per week for all of their living expenses. The asylum process can take years during which the applicants clearly need a lot of help.

We were delighted to hear that one man we have been supporting for several years has finally been granted Leave to Remain some 8 years after first arriving in the UK and making an application.

Befriending and English language tutoring

Our volunteer befrienders are the people who provide the whole range of practical, social and pastoral support to our beneficiaries to ensure that they are and they feel safe in their new, adopted community. This is so important to prevent the acknowledged risk of social isolation refugees can face. When people first arrive this is often very basic and practical support. For instance how to register with a GP,

how local public transport works or perhaps how to understand bills, shopping and general living costs in the UK. Beyond that our qualified ESOL tutors provide one-to-one English language tutoring that is so essential for helping people fully integrate and manage their daily lives.

These relationships build and develop as people settle, all with the aim of helping them develop new, independent lives for themselves.

Paid staff

During the year we continued to be supported by our Communications and Development Manager, Gemma Driver and our Business Manager and Volunteer Coordinator Katy De Laszlo both of whom regularly go way beyond the two days each week they are paid for. Sadly Katy will leave us at the end of June but we are delighted to have already recruited her replacement Steve Lebbon who is already making a positive contribution to our work.

Volunteer recruitment

During the past year Katy has significantly increased our number of volunteers to meet the exponential growth in demand we experienced and continue to experience. This resulted in an additional 73 very active new volunteers providing excellent support to our beneficiaries.

Weekly Drop-In

The Monday afternoon drop-in reopened after the C-19 restrictions were lifted and once again provides a meeting point for beneficiaries, volunteers, students and some of our statutory partners. The drop-in is a place for people to meet and socialise, to get help and information, perhaps meet their English tutor whilst their children play and on some notable occasions it is the first place where we realise that someone or a newly-arrived family is in need of support.

Women's Group

There is a weekly craft group for women which has recently been extended to include a beginners English class aimed at mothers with small children who generally cannot access regular classes at local institutions.

Nations United

Sanctuary in Chichester runs Nations United, a football club for young Asylum Seekers and Refugees in partnership with the University of Chichester that provides coaches and facilities free of charge. The project originated around four years ago when an 18-year-old refugee from Eritrea asked if Sanctuary in Chichester could help develop a football opportunity for refugees in Chichester and the surrounding area.

Players come from around the world including Sudan, Eritrea, Iran, Vietnam and Somalia – diverse backgrounds and many with difficult stories from life in their home country and their trip to the UK. Always their story to tell if they want to – we listen, we never inquire and we never judge.

Players train on Thursdays and Sundays, with 20 to 30 attending on Thursdays and 10 to 20 on Sundays.

This past year they have played in a 6-a-side tournament at West Ham United's training ground, and they play 11 v 11 games whenever suitable opposition can be found – Brighton Refugee team, local Chichester Saturday team, University Sunday League Team.

The project is not just about learning how to play football well, it brings the players together from around Sussex including Chichester, Bognor, Worthing, Littlehampton, Brighton, Billingshurst and Crawley.

It is very much a key element of their 'pathways' to independence. They learn about the game but also about coaching, health and fitness, self-discipline and many other skills in a safe environment with a strong supportive peer group.

Two players have this year completed the first stages of the FA's coaching qualification and are continuing with it. The players also get an opportunity to develop / explore wider opportunities. They have had several creative workshops (art and music), a new cricket project is being developed, the project helps them towards the world of work and to build a CV,

Now in its final year of a three-year grant from Sussex Community Foundation the project will be looking for continued funding for 2023 and beyond.

Finally, that '18 year old young man from Eritrea now lives and works in Chichester, he has become an accredited volunteer for Sanctuary in Chichester and the assistant team manager for Nations United.

A wonderful recognition.

We were hugely proud that HM The Queen honoured one of longest serving volunteers, Ellen Thompson with the British Empire Medal for services to refugees in the Chichester area particularly during the time of covid 19. Our thanks and congratulations to Ellen.

Pathways to Independence

This new project for us will launch in the new business year. A project lead is being recruited and some specific funding has been secured albeit with more needed.

The overall aim of the project is to help each of our beneficiaries to develop and 'navigate' their own pathway to a life independent of charity and state support. We realise that everyone's levels of independence will be very personal to them so the work will be individually focussed. We envisage helping people find work, secure training or work experience, perhaps gaining new qualifications and/or developing and accrediting the skills and qualifications they already have.

During this past year we were delighted to be able to refer one beneficiary to a similar programme provided by our lovely friends at the Rural Refugee Network. As a result he has now secured work in his desired trade.

Towards the end of 2021 the University of Chichester offered places for our beneficiaries on their From Adversity to University bridging course. Three young men completed the programme. The university accepts successful completion of this programme as the entry requirements for a first degree course. We are very grateful to Becky Edwards and Dr Sandra Lyndon for bringing this opportunity to us and our trustee Lois Smith who provided valuable advice and assistance to the successful participants. We are hoping that four more of our beneficiaries will undertake the course during 2022.

Finance

Following a year of managing a deficit and a down turn in donations renewed effort and focus had to be put into fundraising. This has resulted in the charity now being in a strong financial position. (For anyone requiring more detailed information on our finances please refer to the annual return published alongside this report). If anyone would like even more detail about our income sources and/or how we have spent our money please email tonytoynton@sanctuaryinchichester.org).

In addition to money

In addition to funding our paid staff and buying much needed household items for people, we buy bicycles, we help people with driving lessons, buy tools for work etc., the list is too long for this report. We also have massive support from the Food Bank, Clothes Bank, Chichester Rotary Clubs, Little Bundles, University of Chichester, Chichester Festival Theatre, My Sister's House in Bognor Regis, St Paul's church, Chichester and some individual donors who freely give food, clothing, household items, toys, pushchairs and more - all of which contributes to the moral support, sense of empathy and quality of life of those we support. We also enjoy a very positive and supportive partnership with the West Sussex County Council Resettlement Team and their new Ukraine Support team, officers at Chichester District Council and the Citizens' Advice Bureau.

The Ukraine crisis

When the UK government introduced the new Homes for Ukraine scheme to help refugees from the war in Ukraine, the residents of West Sussex responded with huge generosity. It was reported that at least 222 visa applications had been made by April, for Ukrainian refugees invited by Chichester District residents to come and stay in their homes.

For Sanctuary in Chichester this created two issues: the first was a fear that our finances and people resources would be overwhelmed. The second was the obvious change of 'dynamic'. Whereas to date our volunteers have provided direct and personal support to refugees this new situation created new relationships with the very generous people offering their homes. The situation saw an outpouring of community support with new networks, websites and offers of help and advice from across our area. Thanks largely to Katy De Laszlo and our trustee Philippa Gogarty we have developed our own position and support offer. We have put on two evening events where hosts and refugees can meet and understand how they can best access support and advice. We are providing Food Bank vouchers, SIM cards and advice, and indeed we actively support one Ukrainian family directly. It is no coincidence that West Sussex and the Chichester area in particular was recently described by a national newspaper as the most generous to Ukrainian refugees in the UK.

Lastly I would like to thank and pay tribute to my fellow trustees who not only provide leadership and good governance to the charity, they also all give so much more skill, time and often financial and other support to our beneficiaries.

During this past year they were:

Roger Pask the founding chair who stood down as a trustee in early 2022 but continues to give so much.

Duncan Barratt - stood down as a trustee in early 2022 but continues to be manager of Nations United, and makes it such a holistic provision for the team.

Mark Stables - designated safeguarding lead

Lois Smith ESOL and adult education lead

Mary Downy - Drop-In lead

Clare Walls - secretary to the board

Philippa Gogarty - Befriending lead

We recently welcomed Susan Hilgers as our new treasurer and trustee and Fred Hilgers as our Data Protection lead.

Finally we must thank Maggie Medhurst who has just stepped down after being our treasurer since 2019.

Tony Toynton

Chair of trustees
Sanctuary In Chichester
31st May 2022

Date	Exps	Income
06/01/2021		£ 10.00
06/01/2021		£ 10.00
06/01/2021		£ 10.00
06/01/2021		£ 10.00
06/01/2021		£ 20.00
06/01/2021		£ 50.00
06/01/2021		£ 100.00
06/02/2021	£ 19.20	
06/02/2021	£ 168.00	
06/04/2021		£ 2,000.00
06/07/2021		£ 5.00
06/07/2021		£ 20.00
06/07/2021		£ 120.00
06/08/2021	£ 19.20	
06/08/2021	£ 240.00	
06/11/2021		£ 20.00
06/18/2021	£ 80.00	
06/18/2021	£ 80.00	
06/18/2021		£ 20.00
06/21/2021		£ 9.83
06/21/2021		£ 50.00
06/21/2021		£ 75.00
06/21/2021		£ 108.16
06/23/2021		£ 15.00
06/25/2021	£ 299.00	
06/25/2021	£ 375.00	
06/25/2021	£ 1,200.00	
06/25/2021	£ 150.00	
06/25/2021	£ 1,200.00	
06/25/2021		£ 9.83
06/25/2021		£ 250.00
06/25/2021		£ 26.42
06/28/2021		£ 30.00
06/28/2021		£ 50.00
06/29/2021	£ 20.00	

06/29/2021		£	10.00
07/01/2021		£	10.00
07/01/2021		£	10.00
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07/05/2021		£	20.00
07/05/2021		£	25.00
07/06/2021		£	235.00
07/07/2021	£	38.40	
07/07/2021	£	240.00	
07/07/2021	£	254.37	
07/07/2021	£	1,125.00	
07/12/2021		£	20.00
07/15/2021		£	150.00
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07/21/2021	£	100.00	
07/21/2021	£	300.00	
07/23/2021		£	15.00
07/26/2021	£	196.12	
07/26/2021	£	398.00	
07/26/2021	£	1,050.00	
07/26/2021	£	150.00	
06/27/2021		£	20,000.00
07/28/2021		£	50.00
07/29/2021		£	10.00
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08/16/2021	£	28.80	
08/16/2021	£	80.00	
08/16/2021	£	100.00	
08/16/2021	£	150.00	
08/16/2021	£	1,200.00	
08/16/2021	£	737.98	
08/16/2021		£	10.00
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08/16/2021		£	50.00
08/16/2021		£	90.00
08/16/2021		£	10.00
08/16/2021		£	10.00
08/16/2021		£	20.00
08/16/2021		£	50.00

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08/17/2021			£ 10.00
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08/23/2021			£ 20.00
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08/24/2021			£ 10.00
08/25/2021	£	65.99	
08/25/2021	£	110.00	
08/25/2021			£ 250.00
08/26/2021			£ 15.00
08/26/2021			£ 50.00
08/26/2021			£ 50.00
08/27/2021			£ 5.00
08/27/2021			£ 5.00
08/27/2021			£ 9.46

08/27/2021		£	10.00
08/27/2021		£	10.00
08/27/2021		£	10.00
08/27/2021		£	33.23
08/27/2021		£	38.09
08/27/2021		£	57.26
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Independent examiner's report on the
accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

SANCTUARY IN CHICHESTER

On accounts for the year
ended

MAY 2022

Charity no
(if any)

1181855

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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

~~[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.~~

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) 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.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date:

20/06/22

Name:

S A CLARKE

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body

ACCOUNTANT

(if any):

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Address:

FRESHFIELDS

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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