CONNECTIONS OF HOPE FOUNDATION

England & Wales · Charity number 1182162

Details

Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2019-02-21
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	Suite 12 94 Fulham Palace Road London W6 9PL
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Activities

Objects: (1) THE PREVENTION OR RELIEF OF POVERTY OR FINANCIAL HARDSHIP ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD BY PROVIDING OR ASSISTING IN THE PROVISION OF EDUCATION, TRAINING, HEALTHCARE PROJECTS AND ALL NECESSARY SUPPORT DESIGNED TO ENABLE INDIVIDUALS TO GENERATE A SUSTAINABLE INCOME AND BE SELF-SUFFICIENT.(2) TO ADVANCE THE ISLAMIC RELIGION ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD FOR THE BENEFIT OF PUBLIC THROUGH THE HOLDING OF PRAYER MEETINGS, ESTABLISHMENT OF RELIGIOUS PLACES, PRODUCING AND/OR DISTRIBUTING LITERATURE ON ISLAMIC RELIGION TO ENLIGHTEN OTHERS ABOUT ISLAMIC RELIGION.

Activities: Will be grant making to certain types of charitable organisations within the scope of its objectives.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Services
- **What:** The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£156,400	£187,415	-	-
2023-12-31	£178,000	£142,206	-	-
2022-12-31	£128,600	£136,208	-	-
2021-12-31	£26,212	£19,654	-	-
2020-12-31	£0	£0	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Dr Saeed Ata Alghadie	Chair	2018-12-14
Abdul Hakeem Montague		2018-12-17
Salah Mohamed El Hassan Taifoor		2018-12-14

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ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

CIO Number: CEO 16603
Charity registration number: 1182162

Suite 12, 94 Fulham Palace Road, London, W6 9PL

The Trustees are pleased to present their annual Trustees Report together with the financial statements of Connections of Hope Foundation for the year ended 31 December 2024.
The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102).

Chairman's Report

It is with gratitude to Allah Almighty and great pride in our collective efforts that I present the 2024 Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Connections of Hope Foundation for the year ended 31 December 2024. This year has been one of consolidation, innovation, and growth. Building on the solid foundations established in previous years, the Foundation has continued to strengthen its governance, compliance, and risk management frameworks, ensuring that every aspect of our work remains transparent, accountable, and impactful. Our focus has remained consistent — to empower and guide sister organisations so that they can operate effectively, implement best practice, and deliver greater benefit to the communities they serve.

Governance and Committees

The committees formed in 2023 have now become integral to our organisational structure. Throughout 2024, they have met regularly to provide oversight, strategic guidance, and technical expertise. These include:

- The Development & Planning Committee
- The Compliance & Risk Management Committee
- The Fundraising Committee
- The Finance Committee

Each committee has played a vital role in ensuring coordination across our activities, supporting partner organisations, and enhancing accountability throughout the network. Their collaborative work continues to strengthen the Foundation's governance model and operational capacity.

Innovation and Digital Transformation

A major highlight of the year was the development and expansion of the AmanSafe online platform. Originally launched to assist organisations in strengthening compliance and improving efficiency, AmanSafe has now evolved into a powerful digital tool. In 2024, it was upgraded with new features that enable partner organisations to monitor governance standards, streamline documentation, and enhance organisational performance. The platform is now a practical and scalable system that embodies our commitment to innovation and capacity-building within the charitable sector.

Financial Context and Resilience

The broader economic climate in 2024 continued to pose challenges across the charitable sector. However, the Foundation has responded with resilience — promoting efficiency, sustainability, and value optimisation among our partners. Through training programmes, policy development, and advisory support, we have helped organisations remain strong and focused despite financial constraints.

Acknowledgement and Appreciation

These achievements would not have been possible without the dedication and expertise of our Trustees, who continue to offer their time, guidance, and leadership in the service of our mission. I extend my heartfelt appreciation to my colleagues on the Board for their professionalism, vision, and unwavering commitment. Their contributions have allowed the Foundation to expand its influence, strengthen its systems, and support a growing network of charities both in the UK and abroad.

Looking Ahead to 2025

The coming year presents new opportunities for growth, collaboration, and innovation. Our foremost priority is to expand the adoption of the AmanSafe platform to a wider network of organisations, ensuring that its benefits reach as many partners as possible. We also intend to diversify our income streams and strengthen our fundraising strategy through partnerships and engagement with new donors.
Furthermore, the Foundation aims to engage skilled professionals to reinforce governance, finance, and compliance disciplines across the network. These steps will ensure that our partner organisations are equipped to grow sustainably and continue delivering life-changing services to their beneficiaries.

Closing Reflection

The Connections of Hope Foundation stands today as a trusted source of guidance and a catalyst for positive change. Our work is driven by faith, professionalism, and a deep belief in the power of collaboration. With continued dedication, the Foundation will persist in building connections of hope, trust, and transformation for communities in the UK and beyond.

We thank Allah Almighty for His continued blessings and guidance, and we extend our deepest gratitude to all who support our mission — our trustees, partners, donors, and the dedicated individuals working across the network. Together, we look forward to another year of service, growth, and impact.

Dr. Saeed Al-Ghadi,
Chairman
Connections of Hope Foundation

Vision and Mission Statement

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Background

The Connections of Hope Foundation was set up as a grant making organisation to provide funding, support and guidance to other organisations that have similar charitable objectives.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Connections of Hope Foundation is a registered charitable foundation (CIO) under the Laws of England & Wales regulated by the Charity Commission. All members of the board are appointed and are committed to serving the Foundation by fulfilling their roles as Trustees in keeping with its constitution.

Currently serving trustees are:

Induction of Trustees

All of our trustees are volunteers. They are chosen because they have the diverse range of skills, knowledge and experience that Connections of Hope foundation needs to respond to key challenges. Stakeholders and partners may nominate trustees, and sometimes we will make a personal approach to potential candidates.

To ensure that the charity benefits from a professional and dynamic board, trustees are provided with a comprehensive induction and on-going training in new or emerging areas of responsibility.

New trustees receive a full overview of the strategic and operational functions, which includes a copy of Foundation's Constitution, Board Meeting Minutes and Charity Commission guidance "The Essential Trustee."

Trustees play a significant role in the running of the charity and are always expected to keep up to date in the charity world this also includes keeping abreast of "Charity Commission News" and other updates as and when they appear on the commission's website. They are also encouraged to help identify any gaps in their training needs.

Achievement and Performance

In 2024, the Connections of Hope Foundation achieved significant milestones in strengthening its organisational structure and advancing its strategic objectives. The committees established in the previous year have continued to play a pivotal role, meeting regularly to provide effective oversight, strategic guidance, and technical support to sister organisations. Their contributions have been instrumental in ensuring that the Foundation's operations remain accountable, transparent, and purpose-driven.

A major highlight of the year was the development and enhancement of the AmanSafe online platform, which has become a cornerstone of our digital governance framework. The platform has empowered partner organisations to improve compliance, streamline administrative processes, and enhance operational efficiency, enabling them to deliver greater impact to their beneficiaries. In addition, the Foundation has continued to strengthen the capacity of affiliated organisations through ongoing governance support, training programmes, and advisory services. These initiatives have contributed to measurable improvements in performance, resilience, and sustainability across our network, reinforcing our commitment to excellence and continuous development.

Key management personnel

Most administrative tasks were carried out by the Trustees.

The Board of Trustees meet at regular intervals to carry out reviews and take decisions and has the overall responsibility for all of Connection of Hope Foundations' activities. In keeping with good practice the Board receives regular performance reports, annual financial reports, plans and budgets. It also approves relevant new policies and procedures.

LEGAL & ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity Name	Connections of Hope Foundation
Charity Number	CIO Registration No: 1182162
Registered address	Suite 12 94 Fulham Palace Road London, W6 9PL
Accountant's name and address	HRHS Accountancy 41 Revere Way Epsom, KT19 9RQ
Solicitor's name and address	Lee Bolton Monier-Williams 1 The Sanctuary Westminster London SW1P 3JT
Banker's name and address	Barclays Bank Hammersmith Branch 1 Churchill Place, London E14 5HP

Risk Management

The Trustees of the Connections of Hope Foundation recognise their responsibility to identify, assess, and manage the range of risks to which the charity may be exposed. This includes ensuring that robust internal controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against potential financial loss, fraud, or operational irregularities.

The Trustees regularly review and monitor key risks across all areas of the Foundation's work — particularly those relating to governance, financial management, and programme delivery. These reviews enable the Board to assess the effectiveness of existing safeguards and to implement appropriate mitigating measures where necessary.

Based on the most recent assessment, the Trustees are satisfied that the charity maintains sound financial and operational systems, and that effective controls are in place to address identified risks. They have therefore concluded that the Connections of Hope Foundation remains a going concern, with sufficient capacity and resilience to continue its activities successfully throughout 2025 and beyond.

Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the Charity Commissions' general guidance on Public Benefit when reviewing and shaping the charity's aims and objectives. It is estimated that there are around three million Muslims living in the United Kingdom, many of whom have been born and raised in the U.K. Connections of Hope foundation aims to provide public benefit by supporting and making grants to organisations that serve communities in the UK and overseas.

Reserve Policy

At present, the Foundation has not yet built formal reserves. However, the Trustees have been actively developing a reserves policy during 2024. The aim is to ensure that reserves equivalent to at least three months of operating costs are maintained on an ongoing basis. This will provide financial stability and allow the Foundation to respond effectively to challenges and opportunities as they arise.

Financial Review Growth & Expansion in 2024

During 2024, the Trustees have continued to engage with a wider pool of donors and funding partners. This has strengthened the financial position of the organisation and enabled us to broaden the scope of our support to sister organisations. A particular emphasis this year has been on expanding our role in promoting operational efficiency and increasing impact for beneficiaries through improved governance and compliance systems.

Plans for the Future (2025)

Looking forward, anticipated funding in 2025 is expected to enable the Foundation to engage skilled professionals across a range of organisational disciplines. This will act as a platform to strengthen our capacity and enhance the services we provide, ensuring that sister organisations can continue to grow, improve their governance, and deliver stronger outcomes for their beneficiaries.

Bank Account and Financial Transactions:
The Foundation's bank account, first opened on 25 September 2019, continues to provide the necessary framework for managing all financial activity. In 2024, the Trustees have worked to attract sustainable funding to support the Foundation's mission of strengthening and developing charitable organisations across the UK and beyond. This remains a key priority moving forward.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities:

Under charity law in England and Wales, Trustees are required to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the Charity's financial activities during the period, and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing such statements, the Trustees are required to:

- Select appropriate accounting policies and apply them consistently
- Follow the methods and principles set out in the Charities SORP
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- Confirm compliance with applicable Accounting Standards and Statements of Recommended Practice, subject to any departures disclosed and explained within the financial statements
- Prepare the accounts on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the Charity will continue to operate

The Trustees hold ultimate responsibility for safeguarding the assets of the Charity. This includes taking reasonable steps to prevent and detect error, fraud, or other irregularities. They must also ensure that accurate accounting records are kept, which reflect the Charity's financial position at any given time and ensure compliance with the Charities Act 2011.

Signed on behalf of the Board of Trustees on 1st October 2024.

Dr. Saeed Al-Ghadi
Chairman

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Connection Of Hope Foundation

I report on the accounts which are set out below

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees’

The trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this period under section144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to an audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:
Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act; follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view”, and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:

a. to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and

b. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities

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

Hashem Soliman Dated: 4th October 2025
HRHS Accountancy
Hashem Soliman
Member of Association of Accounting Technicians
41 Revere Way
London
KT19 9RQ

Statement of financial activities (including summary income and expenditure account)

	Unrestricted funds	Total funds	2023
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
Income and endowments from:			
Donations and legacies	**156,400**	**156,400**	**178,000**
Total Income	**156,400**	**156,400**	**178,000**
Expenditure on:			
Charitable activities	**187,415**	**187,415**	**142,206**
Total Expenditures	**187,415**	**187,415**	**142,206**
Net Movement of Funds	**(31,015)**	**31,015**	**35,794**
Reconciliation of Funds			
Total funds brought forward	**34,744**	**34,744**	**(1,050)**
Total funds carried forward	**3,728**	**3,728**	**34,744**

Section B Balance sheet

	Unrestricted funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£
Current assets			
Debtors	-	-	3,000
Cash at bank and in hand	5,828	5,828	42,795
Total current assets	5,828	5,828	45,795
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(2,100)	(2,100)	(11,051)
Net current assets/(liabilities)	3,728	3,728	34,744
Total assets less current liabilities	3,728	3,728	34,744
Total net assets or liabilities	3,728	3,728	34,744
Funds of the Charity			
Funds brought forward	34,744	34,744	(1,050)
Unrestricted funds	(31,015)	(31,015)	35,794
Total funds	3,728	3,728	34,744

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Trustees on 1st October 2025 and were signedbelow on its behalf by:

Dr. Saeed Al-Ghadi

1st October 2025

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Notes to the Accounts

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) – (Charities SORP 2015 (Second Edition, effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Connections of Hope Foundation meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Going Concern
The trustees are not aware of any material uncertainties which suggest the charity cannot continue as a going concern. The accounting policies have been consistently applied for all material items.

a) **Incoming resources**

Voluntary income is received by way of donations and gifts and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when West London Islamic Cultural Centre is entitled to the funds, receipt is probable, and the amount can be measured.

All income is accounted for when the Charity has entitlement to the funds, the amount can be quantified, and receipt of the funds is probable. Where income is received in advance of providing goods and/or services, it is deferred until the charity becomes entitled to that income.

b) **Resources expended**

Resources expended are recognised on an accrual's basis.
Fundraising costs are those incurred in seeking voluntary contributions and do not include the costs of disseminating information in support of the charitable activities.
Support costs are those costs incurred indirectly in support of expenditure on the programmes of the Charity. Allocation of support costs and staff costs have been proportionated to the total of programme costs and corresponding thematic programme area.
Governance costs are those incurred in connection with administration of the Charity and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements. They include legal advice for trustees, cost of trustees' meetings, audit fee and internal audit costs. These costs are allocated in the same way as other support costs.

Notes to the Accounts **Cont.**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Debtors
Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

Cash at bank and in hand
Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments.

Creditors
Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which include buildings and equipment necessary for the proper functioning of the Charity and other funds available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the Charity's objectives.
Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the Trustees for particular purposes. Restricted funds are funds which are subject to specific restrictions as imposed by the donor or nature of the appeal.

Taxation
As a registered charity, West London Islamic Cultural Centre is exempt from taxation of income and gains to the extent that its income and gains are applicable to charitable purposes only.

Key judgements and estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires the Trustees to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities, and the disclosure of contingent liabilities at the date of the financial statements. If in the future such estimates and assumptions, which are based on the Trustees' best judgment at the date of the financial statements, deviate from the actual circumstances, the original estimates and assumptions will be modified as appropriate in the year in which the circumstances change. The Trustees' do not believe that there are any significant areas of estimation uncertainty that need to be disclosed.

Notes to the Accounts **Cont.**

Note 3

Donations and Legacies	Unrestricted	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£
Donations received in the UK	156,400	156,400	178,000
	156,400	156,400	178,000

Note 4

Expenditures	2024 £	2023 £
Governance Costs	20,170	8,791
Support Costs	14,065	12,938
Professional fees	153,181	118,401
	187,416	140,129

Governance Costs	2024 £	2023 £
Audit and accountancy Fees	750	2,113
Trustees meeting expenses	19,420	3,678
Legal fees	-	2,999
	20,170	8,791

Note 5 Cash at bank and in hand

	2024 £	2023 £
Cash at bank	5,828	42,795
Total	5,828	42,795

Note 6 Debtors and Prepayments

	2024 £	2023 £
Other debtors	-	3,000
Total	-	3,000

Notes to the Accounts Cont.

Note 7 **Charity funds**

Details of material funds held and movements during the CURRENT reporting period

Total Funds

Unrestricted Funds	Type PE, EER or UR *	Purpose and Restrictions	Fund balances brought forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Fund balances carried forward £
	U	N/A	34,744	156,400	187,416	3,728

Details of material funds held and movements during the PREVIOUS reporting period

Fund names	Type PE, EER or UR *	Purpose and Restrictions	Fund balances brought forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Fund balances carried forward £
Unrestricted Funds	U	N/A	(1,050)	178,000	142,206	34,744

Note 8

Staff Costs

The average number of employees for the year were – None

The trustees are deemed to be the key management personnel and are not remunerated for their services to the charity.

Note 9
STATUS

The entity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) registered with the Charity Commission in England and Wales on 21st February 2019.

Note 10
RELATED PARTY RELATIONSHIPS AND TRANSACTIONS

There are no related party transactions to report.

Note 11
POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

No post balance sheet events

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Chairman’s Report:

The Board of trustees are pleased to present this Annual Report and financial statements for the Connections of Hope Foundation from 1ST January 2023 to 31st December 2023.

The main aims of the organisation in 2023 were to focus on growth and governance policies and procedures. This meant to expand our work to all similar organisations and provide guidance and technical support in the areas of governance, compliance and risk management.

The Connections of Hope Foundation has continued to develop all policies and procedures related to its relationship with other entities. The previously formed committees continued fully operating in 2023 to help lead and organise the work of the organisation under direction from the Trustees. These committees are:

- Development & Planning committee.
- Compliance & Risk management committee
- Fundraising Committee
- Finance Committee

The Foundation has been instrumental in helping to develop and running field practises in using a new software package called “AmanSafe” in support for the purpose of fulfilling its compliance strategy. It is anticipated that this software will be beneficial and interactive for organisations.

It should be mentioned here that the impact of the recession has taken a toll on financial resources which remains a challenge as experienced during the course of 2023. The Trustees recognise the necessity of making better efficiencies and this became one of its goals during the year. Developing policies and promoting best practise remains an essential component in supporting similar organisations. Many organisations we support have benefited from the regular training and awareness sessions setup by the foundation.

I wish to express my sincere thanks to our Trustees, for their commitment and continued support to help develop the Foundation’s future priorities and shape our services across the communities that we aim to serve.

Dr. Saeed Al-Ghadi

1st October 2024

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Achievement and performance

All technical goals for the year were achieved by the committees of the organisation. More enhanced support was provided and Aman Safe was rolled out to all sister organisations.

Key management personnel

Most administrative tasks were carried out by the CEO and contractors and professionals in their respective fields of Risk, Strategy, Compliance and Fundraising.

The Board of Trustees meet at regular intervals to carry out reviews and take decisions and has the overall responsibility for all of Connection of Hope Foundations' activities. In keeping with good practice the Board receives regular performance reports, annual financial reports, plans and budgets. It also approves relevant new policies and procedures.

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Risk Management

The Trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed to and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error. The Trustees actively review the major risks to which Connections of Hope is exposed to on a regular basis, in particular those related to its operations and finances.

The Trustees have concluded that the charity operation will still carry on to 2024 and the entity is still a going concern for the short and long term future.

Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the Charity Commissions' general guidance on Public Benefit when reviewing and shaping the charity's aims and objectives.

It is estimated that there are around three million Muslims living in the United Kingdom, many of whom have been born and raised in the U.K. Connections of Hope foundation aims to provide public benefit by supporting organisations that serve communities in the UK and overseas.

Reserve Policy

No reserves have been created so far, the trustees are working on formulate a reserves policy in the near future. It is anticipated that reserves for 3 months operating costs will be maintained at all times.

Financial Review:

Total income is up by 38% (2023 - £178,000) compared to (2022 - £128,600), the increase primarily due to support from major donors and well-wishers of Connection of Hope.

Total expenses are up by 5% approx. (2022- £142,206) compared to (2022 £136,208).

Growth & Expansion in 2023:

The Trustees have been pursuing funders and donors in 2023. This has yielded more support for the cause of the organisation and funding for the work of the organisation. It is aimed that in 2024, the foundation will pursue to expand its role in promoting operations excellence and full impact amongst beneficiaries.

Plans for future period (2024):

Anticipated funding is expected to allow the foundation to continue contracting professional services in all fields of organisational excellence and will be a springboard for the organisation to full impact on its like minded sister organisations.

Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the Trust's financial activities during the period and of its financial position at the end of the period. In preparing financial statements that give a true and fair view, the Trustees should follow best practice and

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The Trustees are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity, and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of error, fraud and other irregularities. They are also responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose, with reasonable accuracy, the financial position of the Charity at any time, and which enable them to ascertain the financial position of the Charity and ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011.

Signed on behalf of the Board of Trustees on 1st October 2024.

Dr Saeed Al Ghadi
Chairman

Suite 12, 94 Fulham Palace Road, W6 9PL

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Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view”, and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

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a. to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and

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

Hashem Soliman Dated: 4th October 2024
HRHS Accountancy
Hashem Soliman
Member of Association of Accounting Technicians
41 Revere Way
London
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Statement of financial activities (including summary income and expenditure account)

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
Income and endowments from:			
Donations and legacies	178,000	178,000	128,600
Total Income	178,000	178,000	128,600
Expenditure on:			
Charitable activities	142,206	142,206	136,208
Total Expenditures	142,206	142,206	136,208
Net Movement of Funds	35,794	35,794	(7,608)
Reconciliation of Funds			
Total funds brought forward	(1,050)	(1,050)	6,558
Total funds carried forward	34,744	34,744	(1,050)

Section B Balance sheet

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023	Unrestricted funds	Total this year	Total last year
	£	£	£
Current assets			
Debtors	3,000	3,000	3,000
Cash at bank and in hand	42,795	42,795	10,361
Total current assets	45,795	45,795	13,361
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(11,051)	(11,051)	(14,411)
Net current assets/(liabilities)	34,744	34,744	(1,050)
Total assets less current liabilities	34,744	34,744	(1,050)
Total net assets or liabilities	34,744	34,744	(1,050)
Funds of the Charity			
Funds brought forward	(1,050)	(1,050)	6,558
Unrestricted funds	35,794	35,794	(7,608)
Total funds	34,744	34,744	(1,050)

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Trustees on 1st October 2024 and were signedbelow on its behalf by:

Dr. Saeed Al-Ghadi

1st October 2024

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Notes to the Accounts

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) – (Charities SORP 2015 (Second Edition, effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Connections of Hope Foundation meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Going Concern
The trustees are not aware of any material uncertainties which suggest the charity cannot continue as a going concern. The accounting policies have been consistently applied for all material items.

a) **Incoming resources**

Voluntary income is received by way of donations and gifts and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when West London Islamic Cultural Centre is entitled to the funds, receipt is probable, and the amount can be measured.

All income is accounted for when the Charity has entitlement to the funds, the amount can be quantified, and receipt of the funds is probable. Where income is received in advance of providing goods and/or services, it is deferred until the charity becomes entitled to that income.

b) **Resources expended**

Resources expended are recognised on an accrual's basis.
Fundraising costs are those incurred in seeking voluntary contributions and do not include the costs of disseminating information in support of the charitable activities.
Support costs are those costs incurred indirectly in support of expenditure on the programmes of the Charity. Allocation of support costs and staff costs have been proportionated to the total of programme costs and corresponding thematic programme area.
Governance costs are those incurred in connection with administration of the Charity and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements. They include legal advice for trustees, cost of trustees' meetings, audit fee and internal audit costs. These costs are allocated in the same way as other support costs.

Notes to the Accounts **Cont.**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Debtors
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Cash at bank and in hand
Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments.

Creditors
Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which include buildings and equipment necessary for the proper functioning of the Charity and other funds available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the Charity's objectives.
Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the Trustees for particular purposes. Restricted funds are funds which are subject to specific restrictions as imposed by the donor or nature of the appeal.

Taxation
As a registered charity, West London Islamic Cultural Centre is exempt from taxation of income and gains to the extent that its income and gains are applicable to charitable purposes only.

Key judgements and estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires the Trustees to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities, and the disclosure of contingent liabilities at the date of the financial statements. If in the future such estimates and assumptions, which are based on the Trustees' best judgment at the date of the financial statements, deviate from the actual circumstances, the original estimates and assumptions will be modified as appropriate in the year in which the circumstances change. The Trustees' do not believe that there are any significant areas of estimation uncertainty that need to be disclosed.

Notes to the Accounts Cont.

Note 3

Donations and Legacies	Unrestricted	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£
Donations received in the UK	178,000	178,000	128,600
	178,000	178,000	128,600

Note 4

Expenditures	2023 £	2022 £
Governance Costs	8,791	15,025
Support Costs	12,938	20206.57
Professional fees	118,401	100,977
	140,129	136,208

Governance Costs	2023 £	2022 £
Audit and accountancy Fees	2113	750
Trustees meeting expenses	3,678	12258
Legal fees	2,999	2,017
	8,791	15,025

Note 5 Cash at bank and in hand

	2023 £	2022 £
Cash at bank	42,795	10,361
Total	42,795	10,361

Note 6 Debtors and Prepayments

	2023 £	2022 £
Other debtors	3,000	3,000
Total	3,000	3,000

Notes to the Accounts **Cont.**

Note 7 **Charity funds**

Details of material funds held and movements during the CURRENT reporting period

Total Funds

Unrestricted Funds	Type PE, EE R or UR *	Purpose and Restrictions	Fund balances brought forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Fund balances carried forward £
	U	N/A	(1,050)	178,000	142,206	34,744

Details of material funds held and movements during the PREVIOUS reporting period

Fund names	Type PE, EE R or UR *	Purpose and Restrictions	Fund balances brought forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Fund balances carried forward £
Unrestricted Funds	U	N/A	6,558	128,600	136,208	(1,050)
Total Funds			6,558	128,600	136,208	(1,050)

Note 8

Staff Costs

The average number of employees for the year were – None

The trustees are deemed to be the key management personnel and are not remunerated for their services to the charity.

Note 9
STATUS

The entity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) registered with the Charity Commission in England and Wales on 21st February 2019.

Note 10
RELATED PARTY RELATIONSHIPS AND TRANSACTIONS

There are no related party transactions to report.

Note 11
POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

No post balance sheet events

Accounts

Connections of Hope Foundation

(Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

Charitable Incorporated Organisation Number: CEO 16603
Charity registration number: 1182162

Suite 6, 94 Fulham Palace Road, London, W6 9PL

Trustees	Dr Saeed Al-Ghadie (Chairman) Mr Salah Taifoor Mr Abdullah Al-Bagieh Mr Abdul Hakeem Montague
Charitable Incorporated Organisation Number:	CEO 16603
Charity registration number:	1182162
Registered Office	Suite 6,94 Fulham Palace Road, London, W6 9PL
Independent Examiner	HRHS Accountancy, 41 Revere Way, Epsom, KT19 9RQ
Solicitor's name and address	Lee Bolton Monier-Williams 1 The Sanctuary Westminster London SW1P 3JT

The Trustees are pleased to present their annual Trustees Report together with the financial statements of Connections of Hope Foundation for the year ended 31 December 2022.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102).

Chairman's Report:

The Board of trustees are pleased to present this Annual Report and financial statements for the Connections of Hope Foundation from 1st January 2022 to 31st December 2022.

The main aims of the organisation in 2022 were to continue focus on growth and governance policies and procedures. This meant to expand our work to all similar organisations and provide current guidance and technical support in the areas of governance, compliance and risk management.

The Connections of Hope Foundation has continued to establish all policies and procedures related to its relationship with other entities through multiple meetings and workshops.

All Trustees met during the course of the year and decided to review its technical strategy focusing on developing policies and promoting best practise amongst other similar organisation. The implementation of this strategy has led to positive outcomes as many organisations have benefited from the regular training and awareness sessions setup by the Foundation.

The global financial crisis and the post corona crisis have been a challenging period for the charity as budgets are restricted and financial challenges facing the wider world are even greater.

We expect the Foundation in 2023 to be a year of even greater impact for expanding to supporting more organisations and ultimately impacting more beneficiaries. I wish to express my sincere thanks to our Trustees, for their commitment and continued support to help develop the Foundation's future priorities and shape our services across the communities that we aim to serve.

Dr. Saeed Al-Ghadi

1st October 2023

Vision and Mission Statement

The organisation aims to advance education and building bridges between communities by supporting organisations that aim to build awareness about Islam amongst communities.

Objectives

1. The prevention or relief of poverty or financial hardship anywhere in the world by providing or assisting in the provision of education, training, healthcare projects and all necessary support designed to enable individuals to generate a sustainable income and be self-sufficient.
2. To advance the Islamic religion anywhere in the world for the benefit of the public through the holding of prayer meetings, establishment of religious places, producing and/or distributing literature on Islamic religion to enlighten others about the Islamic religion.

Background

The Connections of Hope Foundation was set up as a grant making organisation to provide funding, support and guidance to other organisations that have similar charitable objectives. However, the organisation is currently restricting its activities to offering training and consults to its sister entities due to numerous constraints.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Connections of Hope Foundation is a registered charitable foundation (CIO) under the Laws of England & Wales regulated by the Charity Commission. All members of the board are appointed and are committed to serving the Foundation by fulfilling their roles as Trustees in keeping with its constitution.

Currently serving trustees are:

Dr Saeed Al-Ghadi (Chairman)

Mr Salah Taifoor

Mr Abdullah Al-Bagieh

Mr Abdul Hakeem Montague

Induction of Trustees

All of our trustees are volunteers. They are chosen because they have the diverse range of skills, knowledge and experience that Connections of Hope foundation needs to respond to key challenges. Stakeholders and partners may nominate trustees, and sometimes we will make a personal approach to potential candidates.

To ensure that the charity benefits from a professional and dynamic board, trustees are provided with a comprehensive induction and on-going training in new or emerging areas of responsibility.

New trustees receive a full overview of the strategic and operational functions, which includes a copy of Foundation's Constitution, Board Meeting Minutes and Charity Commission guidance "The Essential Trustee."

Trustees play a significant role in the running of the charity and are always expected to keep up to date in the charity world this also includes keeping abreast of "Charity Commission News" and other updates as and when they appear on the commission's website. They are also encouraged to help identify any gaps in their training needs.

Achievement and performance

Most technical goals for the year were achieved by the establishment of committees that will lead the specific area of work of the organisation. Connections of Hope Foundation also continued to play a role the sole member of other organisations to support those organisations is securing good performance and full impact.

Key management personnel

Most administrative tasks were carried out by contractors and professionals in their respective fields of Risk, Strategy, Compliance and Fundraising.

The Board of Trustees meet at regular intervals to carry out reviews and take decisions and has the overall responsibility for all of Connection of Hope Foundations' activities. In keeping with good practice the Board receives regular performance reports, annual financial reports, plans and budgets. It also approves relevant new policies and procedures.

LEGAL & ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity Name	Connections of Hope Foundation
Charity Number	CIO Registration No: 1182162
Registered address	Suite 6, 94 Fulham Palace Road, LONDON W6 9PL
Accountant's name and address	HRHS Accountancy 41 Revere Way Epsom, KT19 9RQ
Solicitor's name and address	Lee Bolton Monier-Williams 1 The Sanctuary Westminster London SW1P 3JT
Banker's name and address	Barclays Bank Hammersmith Branch 1 Churchill Place, London E14 5HP

Principal risks and uncertainties

The Board of Trustees of Connection of Hope Foundation is committed to maintaining a strong risk management framework to ensure the organisation is able to manage risk appropriately. This will be through maximising potential opportunities whilst minimising the adverse effects of risk by having appropriate customised systems and controls in place for reporting and action.

Risk Management Process

The general risk management process will include the following steps:

1. An annual review of the previous year's risk management report.

2. A risk identification exercise for the year ahead consisting of an evaluation of identified risks.

3. Recording and monitoring of risks using a risk register.

4. Assigning management and responsibility for risks to appropriate persons.

Risk management forms part of Connection of Hope Foundation's system of internal controls and is supported by its policies and procedures of the organisation, covering but not limited to:

o IT and Data Protection
o HR
o Health & Safety
o Finance Manual
o Governance
o Programmes
o Fundraising

The risk of falling short of these standards is mitigated as far as possible by ensuring that appropriate policies and working practices are adopted in each area, department and that staff are adequately experienced and trained to manage this.

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Going Concern:

With the onslaught of the cost-of-living crisis which has hit Europe and in particular the United Kingdom continues to have an impact throughout this year with few signs that it will curtail on the country's economy. This naturally is felt by organisations like ourselves to rationalise with a tight squeeze on expenditure. The Trustees have concluded that the charity operation will still carry on to 2023 and that the entity is still a going concern for the short and long term future.

Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the Charity Commissions' general guidance on Public Benefit when reviewing and shaping the charity's aims and objectives.

It is estimated that there are around three million Muslims living in the United Kingdom, many of whom have been born and raised in the U.K. Connections of Hope foundation aims to provide public benefit by supporting and making grants to organisations that serve communities in the UK.

Reserve Policy

Trustees have agreed on a reserve policy were at least 6 months' worth of operational expenses will be available at the end of each financial year **where possible**.

Financial review

Income and expenditure overview

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on the financial statements part of the report and comply with applicable laws and requirements of the 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice' (Charities SORP (FRS102)) issued by the Charity Commission.

Total income is up by 390% (2022 - £128,600) compared to (2021 - £26,212), the increase primarily due to support from major donors and well-wishers of Connection of Hope.

Total expenses are up by 593% (2022- £136,208) compared to (2021) £19,654.

There were no reserves at the year end, the charity has a deficit carries forward £1,050.

Growth & Expansion in 2022:

The charity has not achieved the growth rate according to previous plans, we are aiming for more steady growth in funding growth next year.

Plans for future period (2023):

Anticipated funding is expected to allow the foundation to contract professionals in all fields of organisational excellence and will be a springboard for the organisation to full impact of its like minded sister organisations.

CONNECTIONS OF HOPE FOUNDATION

REPORT OF THE BOARD

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

Statement of directors/Trustees' responsibilities

Connection of Hope Foundation's trustees are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law of the United Kingdom's Accounting Standards.

Companies/Charity Law requires the Trustees to prepare yearly financial statements, giving a true and accurate state of affairs of the charity and the incoming resources and application of resources. This includes income and expenditure for the period.

The Trustees have the responsibility of keeping adequate accounting records that disclose reasonable accuracy at any time of the financial position of the charity, to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 and Charities Act 2011. Trustees are also responsible to safeguard the assets of the charity and reasonable steps must be taken for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

In order to prepare these financial statements, trustees are required to do the following:

- Observe methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2015 (FRS 102).
- State whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
- Prepare financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

So far the Trustees are aware that:

There is no relevant audit information of which the charity's auditor is unaware; and
As the Trustees of the charity, all steps have been taken to make themselves aware of relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's auditors are also aware of this information.

<u>Independent Examiner</u>
An independent examination was carried out by HRHS Accountancy, Certified accountants.
The trustees' report has been prepared in accordance with the provision applicable to the company subject to the small companies' regime, and on the same basis a strategic report has not been presented.

Signed on behalf of the Board of Trustees on 1st October 2023.

Dr Saeed Al Ghadi
Chairman

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Connection Of Hope Foundation

I report on the accounts which are set out below

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees'

The trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this period under section144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to an audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:
Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act; follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

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Hashem Soliman Dated: 1st October 2023

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Statement of financial activities (including summary income and expenditure account)

	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 £
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	128,600	-	-	128,600	26,212
Total Income	128,600	-	-	128,600	26,212
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	136,208	-	-	136,208	19,654
Total Expenditures	136,208	-	-	136,208	19,654
Net Movement of Funds	(7,608)	-	-	(7,608)	6,558
Reconciliation of Funds					
Total funds brought forward	6,558	-	-	6,558	-
Total funds carried forward	(1,050)	-	-	(1,050)	6,558

CONNECTIONS OF HOPE FOUNDATION

Balance Sheet

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

Balance sheet

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted income funds £	Endowment funds £	Total this year £	Total last year £
Fixed assets					
Tangible asse	-	-	-	-	-
Total fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-
Current assets					
Debtors	3,000	-	-	3,000	3,163
Cash at bank and in hand	10,361	-	-	10,361	3,396
Total current assets	13,361	-	-	**13,361**	**6,558**
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(14,411)	-	-	(14,411)	-
Net current assets/(liabilities)	(1,050)	-	-	**(1,050)**	**6,558**
Total assets less current liabilities	(1,050)	-	-	**(1,050)**	**6,558**
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year	-	-	-	-	-
Total net assets or liabilities	(1,050)	-	-	**(1,050)**	**6,558**
Funds of the Charity					
Endowment funds			-	-	-
Restricted income funds		-		-	-
Unrestricted funds	(1,050)			(1,050)	6,558
Total funds	**(1,050)**		-	**(1,050)**	**6,558**

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Trustees on 1st October 2023 and were signedbelow on its behalf by:

Dr. Saeed Al-Ghadi

1st October 2023

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Notes to the Accounts

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Preparation

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Notes to the Accounts Cont.

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Debtors
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Taxation
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Key judgements and estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires the Trustees to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities, and the disclosure of contingent liabilities at the date of the financial statements. If in the future such estimates and assumptions, which are based on the Trustees' best judgment at the date of the financial statements, deviate from the actual circumstances, the original estimates and assumptions will be modified as appropriate in the year in which the circumstances change. The Trustees' do not believe that there are any significant areas of estimation uncertainty that need to be disclosed.

Note 3
Donations and Legacies

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£
Donations received in the UK	128,600	-	128,600	26,212
Gift Aid	-	-	-	-
	128,600	**-**	**128,600**	**26,212**

Note 4	**2022**	**2021**
Expenditures	**£**	**£**
Governance Costs	5,267	3,650
Support Costs	20,207	-
Charitable activities	110,735	16,004
	136,208	**19,654**

	2022	2021
Governance Costs	**£**	**£**
Audit Fees	750	400
Trustees meeting expenses	2,500	-
Legal fees	2,017	3,250
	5,267	**3,650**

Note 5 Cash at bank and in hand

	2022	2021
	£	**£**
Cash at bank	10,361	3,396
Total	**10,361**	3,396

Note 6 Debtors and Prepayments

	2022	2021
	£	**£**
Prepayments and accrued income	-	3,163
Other debtors	3,000	-
Total	**3,000**	3,163

Note 7 Charity funds

Details of material funds held and movements during the CURRENT reporting period

**** Key: PE - permanent endowment funds; EE - expendable endowment funds;***
R - restricted income funds, including special trusts, of the charity; and U - unrestricted funds

Fund names	Type PE, EE R or UR *	Purpose and Restrictions	Fund balances brought forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Fund balances carried forward £
Unrestricted Funds	U	N/A	**6,558**	**128,600**	**136,208**	**(1,050)**
Total Funds			**6,558**	**128,600**	**136,208**	**(1,050)**

Details of material funds held and movements during the PREVIOUS reporting period

Fund names	Type PE, EE R or UR *	Purpose and Restrictions	Fund balances brought forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Fund balances carried forward £
Unrestricted Funds	U	N/A	-	**26,212**	**19,654**	**6,558**
Total Funds			-	**26,212**	**19,654**	**6,558**

Note 8

Staff Costs

The average number of employees for the year were – None

The trustees are deemed to be the key management personnel and are not remunerated for their services to the charity.

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STATUS

The entity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) registered with the Charity Commission in England and Wales on 21st February 2019.

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RELATED PARTY RELATIONSHIPS AND TRANSACTIONS

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Note 11

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Accounts

Connections of Hope Foundation

(Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

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Charity registration number: 1182162

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Trustees	Dr Saeed Al-Ghadie (Chairman) Mr Salah Taifoor Mr Abdullah Al-Bagieh Mr Abdul Hakeem Montague
Charitable Incorporated Organisation Number:	CEO 16603
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Registered Office:	Office 108B Building 3 Chiswick Park 566 Chiswick High Road London W4 5AN
Independent accountant	HRHS Accountancy, 41 Revere Way, Epsom, KT19 9RQ
Solicitor's name and address	Lee Bolton Monier-Williams 1 The Sanctuary Westminster London SW1P 3JT

Chairman's Report:

The Board of trustees are pleased to present this Annual Report and financial statements for the Connections of Hope Foundation from 1ST January 2021 to 31st December 2021.

The main aims of the organisation in 2021 were to continue focusing on growth and governance policies and procedures. This meant to expand our work to all similar organisations and provide guidance and technical support in the areas of governance, compliance and risk management.

The Connections of Hope foundation has continued aiming to establish all policies and procedures related to its relationship with other entities. The following committees continued their work during the year 2021;

- Development & Planning committee.
- Compliance & Risk management committee
- Fundraising Committee
- Finance Committee

As the world recovered from the Covid-19 pandemic, the Connections of Hope foundations Trustees have continued pursuing a strategy of technical support to similar organisation. The aim continues to be that of fostering, empowering and promoting positive practises amongst organisations. This strategy continues to prove to be fruitful as many organisations benefited from the regular training and awareness sessions setup by the foundation.

The year 2021 has laid the foundation for 2022 to be a year of even greater impact for CoH expanding to supporting more organisations and therefore impact more beneficiaries.

I wish to express my sincere thanks to our Trustees, for their commitment and continued support to help develop the Foundation's future priorities and shape our services across the communities that we aim to serve.

Dr. Saeed Al-Ghadie

1st October 2022

Vision and Mission Statement

The organisation will advance education and building bridges between communities by supporting organisations that aim to build awareness about Islam amongst communities.

Objectives

1. The prevention or relief of poverty or financial hardship anywhere in the world by providing or assisting in the provision of education, training, healthcare projects and all necessary support designed to enable individuals to generate a sustainable income and be self-sufficient.
2. To advance the Islamic religion anywhere in the world for the benefit of the public through the holding of prayer meetings, establishment of religious places, producing and/or distributing literature on Islamic religion to enlighten others about the Islamic religion.

Background

The Connections of Hope Foundation was set up as a grant making organisation to provide funding, support and guidance to other organisations that have similar charitable objectives.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Connections of Hope Foundation is a registered charitable foundation (CIO) under the Laws of England & Wales regulated by the Charity Commission. All members of the board are appointed and are committed to serving the Foundation by fulfilling their roles as Trustees in keeping with its constitution.

Currently serving trustees are:

Induction of Trustees

All of our trustees are volunteers. They are chosen because they have the diverse range of skills, knowledge and experience that Connections of Hope foundation needs to respond to key challenges. Stakeholders and partners may nominate trustees, and sometimes we will make a personal approach to potential candidates.

To ensure that the charity benefits from a professional and dynamic board, trustees are provided with a comprehensive induction and on-going training in new or emerging areas of responsibility.

New trustees receive a full overview of the strategic and operational functions, which includes a copy of Foundation's Constitution, Board Meeting Minutes and Charity Commission guidance "The Essential Trustee."

Trustees play a significant role in the running of the charity and are always expected to keep up to date in the charity world this also includes keeping abreast of "Charity Commission News" and other updates as and when they appear on the commission's website. They are also encouraged to help identify any gaps in their training needs.

Achievement and performance

During 2021, All technical committees continued to work with similar organisations in promoting and disseminating good practice in the areas of compliance and strategy. Awareness sessions were held and example policies were distributed to ensure that all areas of compliance were covered by the organisations that have been supported.

Key management personnel

Most administrative tasks were carried out by the CoH. The Board of Trustees meet at regular intervals to carry out reviews and take decisions and has the overall responsibility for all of Connection of Hope Foundations' activities. In keeping with good practice the Board receives regular performance reports, annual financial reports, plans and budgets. It also approves relevant new policies and procedures.

The board of trustees have also contracted the consultancy support of professionals in the areas of compliance, risk management and strategy. This allowed for the organisation to serve its purpose even further by providing more specialised support and advice to similar organisations.

LEGAL & ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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Charity Number	CIO Registration No: 1182162
Registered address	Suite 6, 94 Fulham Palace Road, LONDON W6 9PL
Accountant's name and address	HRHS Accountancy 41 Revere Way Epsom, KT19 9RQ
Solicitor's name and address	Lee Bolton Monier-Williams 1 The Sanctuary Westminster London SW1P 3JT
Banker's name and address	Barclays Bank Hammersmith Branch 1 Churchill Place, London E14 5HP

Risk Management

The Trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed to and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error. The Trustees actively review the major risks to which Connections of Hope is exposed to on a regular basis, in particular those related to its operations and finances.

COVID 19 impact and Going concern:

COVID 19 continues to be the single most impactful factor effecting the organisation in 2021. Trustees continue to pursue a change of strategy for the organisation from grant making to a more technical and policy promotion strategy instead of financial growth. This continues to ensured the organisation would operate on a lean financial model with minimal costs.

Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the Charity Commissions' general guidance on Public Benefit when reviewing and shaping the charity's aims and objectives. It is estimated that there are around three million Muslims living in the United Kingdom, many of whom have been born and raised in the U.K. Connections of Hope foundation aims to provide public benefit by supporting and making grants to organisations that serve communities in the UK and overseas.

Reserve Policy

Trustees have agreed on a reserve policy were at least 6 months worth of operational expenses will be available at the end of each financial year.

Financial review

Income and expenditure overview

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on the financial statements part of the report and comply with applicable laws and requirements of the 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice' (Charities SORP (FRS102)) issued by the Charity Commission.

Total income for this period was £26,212. This is in comparison with the previous year where there was no income in 2020. This is because during year 2020 the charity did not have any financial activities due to COVID-19. The total expenses for the period were £19,654, this is a better financial performance in comparison to the year 2020.

Balance sheet, reserves and cash

There is a prepayment of £3,163 an advance payment for office rent, the charity has achieved a surplus of £6,558 and will continue to build up a reserve as per the reserve policy as secure unrestricted funds for any future uncertainty.

Growth & Expansion in 2022:

The Trustees have been pursuing funders and donors in 2022. This has yielded more support for the cause of the organisation and funding for the work of the organisation. It is aimed that in 2022, the foundation will pursue to expand its role in promoting operations excellence and full impact amongst beneficiaries.

Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the Trust's financial activities during the period and of its financial position at the end of the period. In preparing financial statements that give a true and fair view, the Trustees should follow best practice and

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- state whether applicable Accounting Standards and Statements of Recommended Practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements, and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the Charitywill be able to continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity, and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of error, fraud and other irregularities. They are also responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose, with reasonable accuracy, the financial position of the Charityat any time, and which enable them to ascertain the financial position of the Charity and ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011.

Signed on behalf of the Board of Trustees on 1st October 2022.

Dr Saeed Al Ghadi

Chairman

Statement of financial activities (including summary income and expenditure account)

	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 £
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	26,212	-	-	26,212	-
Charitable activities	-	-	-	-	-
Other trading activities	-	-	-	-	-
Investments	-	-	-	-	-
Separate material item of income	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Total Income	26,212	-	-	26,212	-
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	19,654	-	-	19,654	-
Separate material expense item	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditures	19,654	-	-	19,654	-
Net Movement of Funds	6,558	- -	-	6,558	-
Reconciliation of Funds					
Total funds brought forward	-	-	-	-	-
Total funds carried forward	6,558	-	-	6,558	-

CONNECTIONS OF HOPE FOUNDATION

Balance Sheet

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

Section B Balance sheet

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted income funds £	Endowment funds £	Total this year £	Total last year £
Fixed assets					
Tangible asse	-	-	-	-	-
Investments	-	-	-	-	-
Total fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-
Current assets					
Debtors	3,163	-	-	3,163	-
Cash at bank and in hand	3,396	-	-	3,396	-
Total current assets	6,558	-	-	6,558	-
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	-	-	-	-	-
Net current assets/(liabilities)	6,558	-	-	6,558	-
Total assets less current liabilities	6,558	-	-	6,558	-
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year	-	-	-	-	-
Total net assets or liabilities	6,558	-	-	6,558	-
Funds of the Charity					
Endowment funds	-			-	-
Restricted income funds		-		-	-
Unrestricted funds	6,558		-	6,558	-
Total funds	-	-	-	-	-

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Trustees on 1st October 2021 and were signedbelow on its behalf by:

Dr. Saeed Al-Ghadi

1st October 2022

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) – (Charities SORP 2015 (Second Edition, effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Connections of Hope Foundation meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Going Concern

the Trustees consider that despite the impact of COVID 19 the Trustees consider the charity has adequate reasons to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future, however, the trustees are keeping a close look at the increase in cost of living and how these could impact the financial support expected from its donors.

Income

All income is recognised once the charity has entitlement to income, it is probable that income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Donations

Donations income is accounted where there is entitlement, probability and is measurable.

Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category.

Value added tax

The Charity is exempt from VAT.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Debtors
Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

Cash at bank and in hand
Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments.

Creditors
Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Note 3

Donations and Legacies	**Unrestricted**	**Restricted**	**Total 2021**	**Total 2020**
	£	**£**	**£**	**£**
Donations received in the UK	6,558	-	6,558	-
Gift Aid	-	-	-	-
	6,558	**-**	**6,558**	_

Note 4	**2021**	**2020**
Governance Costs	**£**	**£**
Governance Costs	3,650	-
Professional fees	16,004	-
	3,250	**-**

	2021	**2020**
Governance Costs	**£**	**£**
Audit Fees	400	-
Legal fees	3,250	-
	3,250	**-**

Note 5 Cash at bank and in hand

	2021	2020
	£	£
Cash at bank and on hand	3,396	-
Total	**3,396**	**-**

Note 6 Debtors and Prepayments

	2021	2020
	£	£
Prepayments and accrued income	3,163	-
Other debtors	-	-
Total	**3,163**	**-**

Note 7 Charity funds

Details of material funds held and movements during the CURRENT reporting period

**** Key: PE - permanent endowment funds; EE - expendable endowment funds;***
R - restricted income funds, including special trusts, of the charity; and U - unrestricted funds

Fund names	Type PE, EE R or UR *	Purpose and Restrictions	Fund balances brought forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Fund balances carried forward £
Unrestricted Funds	U	N/A	-	**26,212**	**19,654**	**6,558**
Total Funds			**-**	**26,212**	**19,654**	**6,558**

2. Staff Costs

The average number of employees for the year were – None

The trustees are deemed to be the key management personnel and are not remunerated for their services to the charity.

3. STATUS

The entity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) registered with the Charity Commission in England and Wales on 21st February 2019.

4. RELATED PARTY RELATIONSHIPS AND TRANSACTIONS

There are no related party transactions to report.

5. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

No post balance sheet events

Accounts

Connections of Hope Foundation

(Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL

STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

Charitable Incorporated Organisation Number:
CEO 16603
Charity registration number: 1182162

Suite 6, 94 Fulham Palace Road, London, W6 9PL

Trustees

Dr Saeed Al-Ghadi (Chairman)
Mr salah Taifoor
Mr Abdullah Al-Bagieh
Mr Abdul Hakeem Montague

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Registered Office

Suit 6, 94 Fulham Palace Road, London, W6 9Pl

Independent accountant

HRHS Accountancy, 41 Revere Way, Epsom, KT19 9RQ

Solicitor's name and address

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The Trustees are pleased to present their annual Trustees Report together with the financial statements of Connections of Hope Foundation for the year ended 31 December 2020.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102).

Chairman’s Report:

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The Connections of Hope foundation has been aiming to establish all policies and procedures related to its relationship with other entities. The plan of 2020 was also to establish a range of committees that will lead the work of the organisation with direction from Trustees. The following committees were setup in 2020;

- Development & Planning committee.
- Compliance & Risk management committee
- Fundraising Committee
- Finance Committee

The world faced one of the greatest challenges in recent times in 2020. The Covid-19 crisis has been a major factor in 2020 effecting all the work of the committees and the progress of the organisation. The Trustees met earlier in the year and decided to pursue a more technical strategy focusing on developing policies and promoting best practise amongst other similar organisation. This strategy proved to be fruitful as many organisations benefited from the regular training and awareness sessions setup by the foundation.

This laid the foundation for 2021 to be a year of even greater impact for the foundation expanding to supporting more organisation and therefore impact more beneficiaries.

I wish to express my sincere thanks to our Trustees, for their commitment and continued support to help develop the Foundation’s future priorities and shape our services across the communities that we aim to serve.

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1st October 2021

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Achievement and performance

All technical goals for the year were achieved by setting up all the important committees that will lead the work of the organisation. Connections of Hope Foundation also became the sole member of other organisations to support those organisations is securing good performance and full impact.

Key management personnel

Most administrative tasks were carried out by the Trustees.

The Board of Trustees meet at regular intervals to carry out reviews and take decisions and has the overall responsibility for all of Connection of Hope Foundations' activities. In keeping with good practice the Board receives regular performance reports, annual financial reports, plans and budgets. It also approves relevant new policies and procedures.

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Risk Management

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COVID 19 impact and Going concern:

COVID 19 was the single most impactful factor effecting the organisation in 2020. Trustees were quick change strategy for the year pursuing a more technical and policy promotion strategy instead of financial growth. This was fruitful and ensured the organisation would operate on a lean financial model with minimal costs..

There were no costs and operations during 2020, the Trustees have concluded that the charity operation will still carry on to 2021 and the entity is still a going concern for the short and long term future.

Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the Charity Commissions' general guidance on Public Benefit when reviewing and shaping the charity's aims and objectives.

It is estimated that there are around three million Muslims living in the United Kingdom, many of whom have been born and raised in the U.K. Connections of Hope foundation aims to provide public benefit by supporting and making grants to organisations that serve communities in the UK and overseas.

Reserve Policy

As no financial operations were carried out during 2020, no reserves have been created so far, the trustees are working on formulate a reserves policy in the near future. It is anticipated that reserves for 3 months operating costs will be maintained at all times.

Financial Review

No income has been collected during the financial year 2020 and no expenses incurred either.

Growth & Expansion in 2021:

The Trustees have been pursuing funders and donors in 2020. This has yielded more support for the cause of the organisation and funding for the work of the organisation. It is aimed that in 2021, the foundation will pursue to expand its role in promoting operations excellence and full impact amongst beneficiaries.

Plans for future period (2021):

Anticipated funding is expected to allow the foundation to contract professionals in all fields of organisational excellence and will be a springboard for the organisation to full impact its like minded sister organisations.

Bank account and financial transactions:

The bank account was opened on 25 September 2019. No financial transactions took place in 2020. The Trustees plan to attract funding for the work of the Foundation in 2021 and serve its ultimate1 aim to fund and develop organisations in the UK.

Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

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- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
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Signed on behalf of the Board of Trustees on 1st October 2021.

Dr Saeed Al Ghadi
Chairman

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Charitable activities	-	-	-	-	-
Other trading activities	-	-	-	-	-
Investments	-	-	-	-	-
Separate material item of income	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Total Income	-	-	-	-	-
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	-	-	-	-	-
Separate material expense item	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditures	-	-	-	-	-
Net Movement of Funds	-	- -	-	-	-
Reconciliation of Funds					
Total funds brought forward	-	-	-	-	-
Total funds carried forward	-	-	-	-	-

CONNECTIONS OF HOPE

Balance Sheet

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31

Section B Balance sheet

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted income funds £	Endowment funds £	Total this year £	Total last year £
Fixed assets					
Tangible asse	-	-	-	-	-
Investments	-	-	-	-	-
Total fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-
Current assets					
Debtors	-	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand	-	-	-	-	-
Total current assets	-	-	-	-	-
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	-	-	-	-	-
Net current assets/ (liabilities)	-	-	-	-	-
Total assets less current liabilities	-	-	-	-	-
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year	-	-	-	-	-
Total net assets or liabilities	-	-	-	-	-
Funds of the Charity					
Endowment funds	-			-	-
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The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Trustees on 1st October 2021 and were signed below on its behalf by:

Dr. Saeed Al-Ghadi

1st October 2021

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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Going Concern

the Trustees consider that despite the impact of COVID 19 the Trustees consider the charity has adequate reasons to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future, including the next 12 months from the date of signing these financial statements.

Income

All income is recognised once the charity has entitlement to income, it is probable that income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Donations

Donations income is accounted where there is entitlement, probability and is measurable.

Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category.

Value added tax

The Charity is exempt from VAT.

Tangible Fixed Assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost, less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful life as follows:

Buildings 50-year straight line
Fixtures and Fittings 4-year straight line Plant and Equipment 10-year straight line

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Debtors
Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

Cash at bank and in hand
Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments.

Creditors
Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

2. Staff Costs

The average number of employees for the year were – None

The trustees are deemed to be the key management personnel and are not remunerated for their services to the charity.

3. STATUS

The entity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) registered with the Charity Commission in England and Wales on 21st February 2019.

4. RELATED PARTY RELATIONSHIPS AND TRANSACTIONS

There are no related party transactions to report.

5. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

The global pandemic of COVID-19 continues to have an impact on the economy and, whilst this a non-adjusting post balance sheet events for the Charity, the Charity is in a financially secure position.