



## **Cornwall Refugee Resource Network (CRRN)**

Charity number: **1184187**

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### **Trustees Annual Report 2024**

#### **About our charity**

Cornwall Refugee Resource Network is a network of organisations and people who work together to ensure that Cornwall provides refuge and sanctuary to those most in need. We celebrate good news stories of how refugee resettlement shapes Cornwall for the better and we campaign for positive change in policy and in attitudes, so that people seeking sanctuary and asylum are treated with dignity and fairness. Cornwall Refugee Resettlement Network was established at All Saints Highertown Church, Truro, in 2016 in direct response to the acute crisis caused by the war in Syria and the number of people fleeing from danger. In 2018, CRRN renamed itself Cornwall Refugee Resource Network. On 1st July 2019 CRRN became a registered charity.

#### **Summary of our main activities during 2024**

- **Coordinating Voluntary Sector Support for International Health and Care Workers (IHCW)**

Thanks to the Cornwall Community Foundation's Welcome Fund, CRRN launched a small grants fund for IHCW in December 2023. This initiative supported 19 individuals in 2024 with No Recourse to Public Funds to secure permanent accommodation and avoid destitution.

CRRN also convened a series of meetings in collaboration with Cornwall Council's Adult Social Care Workforce Development team (Nov 2023 – Mar 2024). Key outcomes of these meetings included the relaunch of the Cornwall Modern Slavery Network, creation of a Support Guide for IHCW in Cornwall and case studies highlighted best practices and lessons learned.

- **Afghan Small Grants Fund**

Thanks to a legacy donation following the closure of Bude Refugee Support Group as a charity, CRRN was able to support 19 individuals and their families resettled in Cornwall from Afghanistan in 2024. Grant payments supported families with essential housing and home furnishing costs,

education and IT equipment, travel expenses to essential appointments and the cost of living.

- **Continued membership of the Refugee Steering Group**  
Providing advice, consultation and signposting to Cornwall Council and other statutory services as part of the Steering Group forum.
- **Support community sponsorship groups**  
As part of a collaboration with Devon and Cornwall Refugee Support (DCRS), our shared Community Development Officer led a project to support and build capacity among local community sponsorship groups and other organisations supporting refugees and migrants, facilitating collective action across Cornwall.
- **Access to Justice for Separated Children fundraising campaign**  
Our work to build voluntary sector capacity identified the lack of access to legal and advocacy support for separated asylum-seeking children in Cornwall. Working in partnership with DCRS, our joint fundraising campaign successfully raised nearly £10K to support legal advocacy and advice provision.
- **CRRN Insights – Information sessions**  
We ran regular online information sessions focused on raising awareness and encouraging best practice in support of refugees and asylum seekers in Cornwall.
- Continued development of our website and social media presence.

#### **Financial Review:**

<b>Total income from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024 to 31st December 2024:</b>	<b>£16,930.00</b>
<b>Total expenditure 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024 to 31st December 2024:</b>	<b>£16,340.00</b>

#### **Thanks from the Trustees**

We would like to pass on thanks on behalf of the Trustees to everyone who works to support refugees, asylum seekers, migrant workers and diverse communities in Cornwall and beyond.

Rachel Preston (Chair)

October 2025



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(Registered Charity No. 1184187)

## Statement of Financial Activities: Income and Expenditure for the period from 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

<b>Income</b>	<b>Total</b>
Total	<b>16930.80</b>
Individual donations	1065.00
Income Cornwall Council grant	9000.00
Eventbrite/Crowdfunder	900.80
Bude Refugee Support Group legacy donations x 2	5965.00
<b>Expenditure</b>	
Total	<b>16340.50</b>
Fee to DCRS for community development worker	7500.00
Small grants to individuals/families	7905.00
Public liability insurance	96.00
Event expenses	839.50
<b>Net surplus</b>	<b>590.30</b>

## Summary:

	<b>Year end 2024</b>	<b>Year end 2023</b>
Opening balance	1553.57	1553.57
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>16930.80</b>	<b>20972</b>
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>16340.50</b>	<b>6297.00</b>
<b>Net deficit/surplus for the year</b>	<b>590.30</b>	<b>14675.00</b>
Balance brought forward	1553.57	1553.57
Balance carried forward	16818.97	16228.57
Balance sheet as at 31.12.2024	16818.97	16228.57
Current assets – cash in bank	16818.97	16228.57
Total assets	16818.97	16228.57
Current liabilities	0.00	0.00
Total net assets	16818.97	16228.57
Funded by brought forward	16228.57	1553.57
surplus for the year	590.30	14675.00
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>16818.97</b>	<b>16228.57</b>

These financial details have been approved for issue by the Board of Trustees on 30<sup>th</sup> October 2025 and signed on their behalf by

*Rachel Preston*

(Chair of trustees)