



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 April 2022 To

31 March 2023

Charity name: The National HIV Story Trust

Charity registration number: 1185923

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The advancement of education for the public benefit in the subject of the HIV/aids epidemic of the 1980s and 1990s by making available recordings of first-hand testimony of persons affected by the HIV/aids epidemic and other related educational resources and materials in order to improve the knowledge and understanding of such persons' experiences and HIV/aids.• To promote and protect the health of persons affected by HIV/aids by the provision of grants and donations to charities or charitable organisations providing care and support for such persons.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>The aims of our charity are to preserve the history of the HIV/AIDS pandemic, remembering the stories of tragedy but also those of love, compassion and humanity. The lessons from the pandemic remain as pertinent today as they did in the 80s/90s. The NHST hopes the 100+ interviews filmed with survivors and victims' families, partners and medical professionals, will be a voice for those who didn't survive, a chance to honour those who did, and an education for those who live so freely today because of this generational struggle.</p>

Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The delivery of this plan ensures that the charity is aligned with guidance issued by the Charities Commission on public benefit.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	We review our aims, objectives and activities each year, as well as holding regular trustee meetings to review any ongoing expenditure and new activity. This review looks at what we achieved and the outcomes of our work in the previous 12 months. The review looks at the success of each key activity and the benefits they have brought to those groups of people we are set up to help. The review also helps us ensure our aim, objectives and activities remained focused on our stated purposes. We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aim and objectives and in planning our future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

		<p>The Focus of our work</p> <p>Our main objective continues to be maintaining and managing our archive of 120+ interviews with people whose lives have been affected by HIV/Aids, to create education opportunities. The strategies we have used to meet these objectives included:</p> <p>Transcribing over 150 hours of interviews to increase the usability and access to our filmed archive</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working with the London Metropolitan Archives to add materials to the 'Positive History' archives, of which the NHST interviews forms the back bone. Thanks to our joint work, these archives have become publicly available in 2023 • Securing National Lottery Heritage Funding, to support the development of our educational objects on a UK wide scale telling the stories and history of HIV/Aids, built on the foundation resource of our filmed interviews and collected materials • Undertake a programme of educational seminars, focusing on a wide range of groups from businesses to community groups - aiming to share our history with individuals who might not be aware of it by any other source <p>To place regular op-ed pieces into publications to explain the importance of not forgetting the story of HIV/Aids</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partnering with the arts to find new ways to tell the wide range of diverse stories that we have recorded <p>Publishing our first audio book (hosted by Anita Dobson) and distributing 2 series of Podcasts - to a global audience.</p> <p>How our activities deliver public benefit</p>
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		<p>Our main activities are based on ensuring the stories we have collected are not lost or forgotten, we are there to support people whose lives have been affected by HIV, and we hope that a chance to share experiences will also prove helpful for them. For young people we are keen to ensure that a subject that had so much impact in the 80s and 90s, is explained through personal testimony and that future generations learn that the freedoms and society we have today, came in part through tough times and much sacrifice.</p> <p>Who used and benefited from our services?</p> <p>Our educational objects, mean that we have focused on four main groups. Students, both in secondary and higher education, members of the medical profession wanting to know more about HIV and the treatment paths it instigated, people interested in the arts, and a wider population of people aware of the history of HIV/Aids, but who want to learn more.</p> <p>2023 was a year of activity limited by the need for economic stability and recovery from the previous pandemic years, but we successful undertook a programme of activity, mainly focusing on corporate presentations to organisations including Just Eat, and the Wellcome Trust.</p> <p>The importance of the transcribed archive continues to be a key resource for students in higher degree level (MA, Msc and PHD) studies in a variety of subjects that touch on HIV/Aids. Access continues to grow, with multiple requests for archive use, and we continue to work tirelessly to ensure that given the sensitive nature of our archive we have undertaken our duty of care and a full process of legal compliance before making the widest archive of material available.</p> <p>The arts continue to use the NHST as a resource of inspiration, clarity and fact checking, and we have supported two playwrights, a radio drama and several authors using our content and our team's expert knowledge to develop their work.</p>
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		<p>Plans for future periods</p> <p>Once again we have been thrilled work with an extraordinary team of volunteers, who undertake all of the roles to make our charity function. We have maintained relationships with our 120+ contributors, we have published articles and op-ed pieces and we have appeared on national television coverage talking about the work that we do.</p> <p>In line with our charity requirements, and with the agreement of our trustees we once again undertook a limited number of additional filmed interviews helping to complete parts of our archive that were missing or underrepresented. Alongside politicians (such as Edwina Curry) and campaigners (Ash Kotak), we felt very honoured to be chosen by two contributors, one a mother who lost her daughter, the second an HIV survivor who brought a considerable photo collection to add to our growing archive.</p> <p>We are excited to continue developing our outreach programme in 2024, and secure more opportunities to engage and educate the public on the story of HIV and AIDS in Britain. 'The Forgotten History of HIV' has now been presented to a variety of audiences, including most recently at Just Eat headquarters. Our plans include developing a variety of presentation formats to suit a wide range of groups and communities</p> <p>Fund raising has been a challenge in these difficult financial times, but we have successfully continued with regular monthly fundraising, public events, and support form key donors. We have also been supported by organisations connected to the world of HIV/Aids, including the companies connected to the world of medicine. A key focus of fundraising in 2024 is the delivery of our National Heritage Lottery Fund application - we are appealing for significant funds to grow our educational outreach work and we hope this will develop across the year.</p>
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		In terms of the work that is being undertaken to make our full archive available to the general public, the NHST supported funding to the London Metropolitan Archive, has already meant that first test batch of interviews has been trialled, and by early 2023 this will be launched with nearly 100 interviews being fully coded, meta data attached and available on request. This work was accelerated thanks to the NHST receiving grant funding to compile accurate cross-checked transcripts of our filmed interviews.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The charity has free reserves of £10,024 at 31 March 2023 (2022: £24,037 which has been calculated as the total funds of the charity less restricted funds. At 31 March

		2023, the charity had restricted funds of £Nil (2022: £5,148). The charity needs free reserves for its ongoing operations and the trustees are satisfied with the level held.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	A major challenge for us is that fundraising in the current economic climate is a challenge but we are looking to diversify and grow our major donors - we are pleased to have found a new route to connect with appropriate supporters and will be building on this in 2024

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
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Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g. unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	New trustees are interviewed by a panel of trustees and appointed where they have the necessary skills to contribute to the Charity's governance and strategic development.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	<p>Before registering as a charity, the activities of the charity were conducted through a limited company, Two Point Zero Ltd, a company not intended to be profit-making. Trustees Paul Coleman and Nicholas Thorogood were directors of the company. The company incurred costs conducting interviews. These were originally paid by a director unconnected to the charity but Nicholas Thorogood made a loan to the company of £16,000 to repay the departing director. When the charity was registered, the rights of the interviews were transferred to the charity along with the debt and the company was dissolved. The repayment of the loan from Nicholas Thorogood is not constrained by any time period and at 31 March 2023 stands at £14,621.</p> <p>In the year ended 31 March 2023 the Trust reimbursed 3 Trustees a total of £2,295 (2022: 5 Trustees a total of £1,259) for expenses paid by them. These costs were for postage, travel, accommodation, office costs and internet and telephone. No other Related party transactions took place in the year.</p>

Other		
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Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	The National HIV Story Trust
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1185923
Charity's principal address	13 York Villas Brighton BN1 3TS

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Kevin Watson			

	2	Nicholas Thorogood			
	3	Erica Piennar			
	4	George Ruiz			
	5	Janet Pimblett			
	6	Julian Ingle			
	7	Paul Coleman			
	8	Dan Costen			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the	

assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

	Type of adviser	Name	Address
	Independent examiners	Price Bailey LLP	Anglia House, 6 Central Avenue St Andrews Business Park Thorpe St Andrew Norwich Norfolk NR7 0HR
	Bankers	NatWest Bank Plc	27/28 St Peter's Hill Grantham Lincs NG31 6QG
	Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)		

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Other optional information

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees’ report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity’s trustees

	Signature(s)	Kevin A Watson		
		The National HIV Story Trust (Jan 26, 2024, 10:01am)		
		Full name(s)	Kevin Watson	
	Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee		
	Date	26 Jan 2024		

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The National HIV Story Trust

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023 which are set out on pages 14 to 15.

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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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.

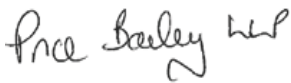
Price Bailey LLP have provided book-keeping services to the Charity. I have applied the FRC's Revised Ethical Standard.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records

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:

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26 Jan 2024



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Charity Name
The National HIV Story Trust

No (if any)
1185923

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01-Apr-22	To	Period end date 31-Mar-23
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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	5,081	-	-	5,081	2,411
Grant income	20,000	-	-	20,000	40,000
Trading income	2,101	-	-	2,101	9,084
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	27,182	-	-	27,182	51,495
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	27,182	-	-	27,182	51,495
A3 Payments					
Web hosting & computer software	1,403	-	-	1,403	211
Legal & professional and Insurance	577	-	-	577	22,064
Production costs	5,000	-	-	5,000	-
Accountancy	3,180	-	-	3,180	-
Editing	1,520	-	-	1,520	-
Audio recording	1,218	-	-	1,218	-
Sundry expenses	375	-	-	375	-
Office Equipment	369	-	-	369	7,715
Advertising	24,600	5,148	-	29,748	2,145
Postage	367	-	-	367	2,446
Books and journals	-	-	-	-	498
Travel	2,394	-	-	2,394	126
Staff training	-	-	-	-	713
Book launch	-	-	-	-	1,767
Bank charges	19	-	-	19	43
Foreign exchange differences	- 7	-	-	- 7	-
Sub total	41,015	5,148	-	46,163	37,728
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	41,015	5,148	-	46,163	37,728
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 13,833	- 5,148	-	- 18,981	13,767
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	24,037	5,148	-	29,185	15,418
Cash funds this year end	10,204	-	-	10,204	29,185

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	Cash at bank	10,204	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	10,204	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	Trade debtor	440	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	Loan from Trustee	Unrestricted	14,621	
	Accountancy fees	Unrestricted	1,800	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	Kevin A Watson	Kevin Watson	26 Jan 2024	
	The National HIV Story Trust (Jan 26, 2024, 10:01am)			