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## For the Year Ended 31 December 2023

**Holy Apostolic Catholic Assyrian Church of the East**  
**(Charity Number: 1186274)**

The objects of the CIO are, for the public benefit, to advance the Christian faith in the tradition of the Holy Apostolic Catholic Assyrian Church of the East in the United Kingdom, primarily but not exclusively through the provision of a place or places of worship, the administration of the sacraments, rites, and ceremonies of the Church according to its usage and forms. We also organised various community events for children, youth, and seniors to engage and support our diverse congregation.

Trustees during the year and since year-end were:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Role</b>	<b>Date</b>
Bishop Awraham Youkhanis	Chair	App. 05 November 2019
Younan David Michael	Trustee and Secretary	App. 15 August 2021
Aoner Yonan	Trustee	App. 21 December 2021
Evan Bahram	Trustee	App. 9 March 2024
Lo'ay Nimroud Petros Odish	Trustee	App. 9 March 2024

The Trustees have reasonable expectation that the CIO has adequate resources to continue operating for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies. The Trustees review the amount of reserves that are required to ensure that they are adequate to fulfill the CIO's continuing obligations on a regular basis at their board meetings.



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The CIO was formed through a constitution dated 21st October 2019 and commenced activity on 5th November 2019. The CIO is governed by a constitution which was submitted for approval to the Charity Commission prior to registration and has not been amended. In setting objectives and planning activities, the Trustees have given due consideration to the general guidance published by the Charity Commission relating to public benefit, including the guidance ‘Public benefit: running a Charity (PB2).’

## Funding

The CIO's primary sources of funding come from parishioners and supporters of the Assyrian Church of the East in the United Kingdom. Donations are collected in general and for proposed projects undertaken by the CIO.

## Regulations and Safeguarding

The CIO's Trustees have implemented processes and procedures for compliance with the legal requirements of the CIO and its activities:

- a) DBS Checks – A safeguarding officer appointed and overseen by a member of the Trustees has established the CIO’s safeguarding policy and identified members of the CIO’s Trustees and appointed committee members for DBS certification.
- b) Insurance Policies – The CIO requested an external review of its property and areas of activity for full compliance with its legal obligations.
- c) Health and Safety – Health and Safety policies were implemented in areas of operation.
- d) Fire Risk Assessment – A risk assessment and Fire Plan were put in place for the Church building, including exit and assembly points.
- e) Financial – The CIO has an established finance department to control its finances, which includes a member of the Trustees of the CIO.

The Charity remains committed to adhering to all applicable regulations and standards, including those related to safeguarding. We have continued to review and update our safeguarding policies to ensure the safety and well-being of all members of our congregation, especially children and vulnerable adults.



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### Overview of CIO Activities

In 2023, the Assyrian Church of the East engaged in a variety of significant activities and initiatives to further our mission and serve our community. A major focus for the year was our relocation project, initiated in October 2023. This community-driven initiative explored the possibility of upgrading our current church building by selling it and acquiring a new one. The end of 2023 saw substantial efforts in fundraising and community engagement, which are expected to continue throughout 2024. This project aims to enhance our facilities to better serve our congregation and support our growing community needs.

In addition to our major project, our regular ministries and activities continued to operate smoothly. Our weekly Sunday services remained the cornerstone of our community life, providing spiritual nourishment and fellowship. The Assyrian Language School offered weekly classes for both adults and children, fostering the preservation and promotion of the Assyrian language and culture. The Seniors Association provided a supportive and engaging environment with weekly gatherings, offering social interaction and various activities. Our youth programs continued to thrive, offering a variety of activities and support for young members of our community. We also hosted several community events, including our annual Summer Festival in London, which brought together families and friends for a day of celebration and cultural enrichment. Additionally, we organised memorable trips, including a visit to the Christmas markets in Vienna and a pilgrimage trip to Jerusalem, offering spiritual and cultural experiences for our members.

Our commitment to charitable initiatives was also strong in 2023. We organised a toy drive for the local children's hospital, bringing joy and comfort to young patients during the holiday season. Other charity initiatives included supporting local and international groups in need, emphasising our dedication to making a positive impact beyond our immediate community.

Maintaining our facilities remained a priority. Our church and hall, which were fully renovated in 2022, were kept in excellent condition throughout the year. These spaces continue to serve as vital centres for worship, education, and community activities. In conclusion, 2023 was a year of significant progress and sustained effort for the Holy Apostolic Catholic Assyrian Church of the East. We look forward to continuing our mission and expanding our impact in 2024 and beyond.



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## Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- Make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and,
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, and the provisions of the Trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees on 11 July 2024 and signed on their behalf by:

**Younan David Michael**  
*Trustee and Secretary*

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2023**

**St Mary's Cathedral, Assyrian Church of the East  
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**TRUSTEES**

**Trustees are the people responsible for controlling the work, management and administration of the charity on behalf of its beneficiaries. Generally trustees are treasurer, chair, board member etc. The trustees are responsible for keeping this list up to date and can do this by updating their details as they happen through the online service**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Role</b>	<b>Date of Appointment</b>
<b>Bishop Awraham Youkhanis</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>05-Nov-2019</b>
<b>Younan David Michael</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>15-Aug-2021</b>
<b>Aoner Yonan</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>21-Dec-2021</b>

**The following were newly appointed**

<b>Evan Bahram</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>09-Mar-2024</b>
<b>Lo'ay Nimroud Petros Odish</b>	<b>Trustee</b>	<b>09-Mar-2024</b>

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**Activities - how the charity spends its money**

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**TRUE AND FAIR OVERRIDE - ACCOUNTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2023**

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The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared in accordance with the relevant version of the 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) and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following the relevant version of the 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) rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.



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**TRUSTEES' REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2023**

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The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and the relevant version of the 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).

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## HOLY APOSTOLIC CATHOLIC ASSYRIAN CHURCH OF THE EAST

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### TRUE AND FAIR OVERRIDE - INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2023

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#### INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

##### To the members of the Holy Apostolic Catholic Assyrian Church of the East

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of the Holy Apostolic Catholic Assyrian Church of the East ("the charity") for the year ended 31 December 2023 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and the related notes.

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for my work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

#### Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity, you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements 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.

#### 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:

- Accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- The financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- The financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulation 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

We 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 financial statements to be reached.



Date: 09/07/2024

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**HOLY APOSTOLIC CATHOLIC ASSYRIAN CHURCH OF THE EAST**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE	Note	Unrestricted 2023 £	Unrestricted 2022 £
<b>INCOME FROM:</b>			
Donations and Legacies	1	339,859	192,899
Charitable Activities	2	73,636	16,881
Income from Other Trading Activities	3	16,456	17,277
Investments	4	671	58
Ukraine Appeal		0	42,352
Government Grant - Ukraine		0	2,100
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>430,622</b>	<b>271,567</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON:</b>			
Charitable activities	5	163,026	99,065
Support Costs	6	104,992	92,601
Ukraine Appeal	7	0	42,352
Other Trading Activities	8	7,852	12,416
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>		<b>275,870</b>	<b>246,433</b>
<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>		<b>154,752</b>	<b>25,134</b>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:</b>			
Total funds brought forward		946,911	921,777
<b>TOTAL FUND CARRIED FORWARD</b>	13	<b>1,101,662</b>	<b>946,911</b>

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**BALANCE SHEET**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

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	<b>Note</b>	<b>2023</b> <b>£</b>	<b>2022</b> <b>£</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Tangible assets	10	<u>865,527</u>	<u>893,768</u>
		<b>865,527</b>	<b>893,768</b>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash at bank and in hand		213,115	55,828
Debtors	11	26,436	
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(3,417)</u>	<u>(2,686)</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>236,135</b>	<b>53,143</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>1,101,662</b>	<b>946,911</b>
<b>FUNDS OF THE CHARITY</b>			
Unrestricted funds	13	<u>1,101,662</u>	<u>946,911</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<b>1,101,662</b>	<b>946,911</b>

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**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

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<b>1. Donations and legacies</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Offerings	57,707	53,863
Contribution	47,046	32,833
Donations	180,730	63,375
Candles	1,319	845
Gift Aid	0	14,391
Ladies Committee	34,962	26,035
Book Shop	647	324
Calendars	733	953
Diocesan Contribution	16,715	0
Tree of Life Magazine	0	205
Events Committee	-	-
Amazon Smile	0	74.83
	<b>339,859</b>	<b>192,899</b>
<b>2. Charitable Activities</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Youth Committee	0	7,850
Edessa Language Class	3,118	1,210
Jeruselum Trip	59,031	2,100
Excursion	7,475	-
Seniors Lunch	4,012	-
Patriarchal visit	0	5,721.15
	<b>73,636</b>	<b>16,881</b>
<b>3. Income from Other Trading Activities</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Online Charity Store	0	81
Raffle Ticket Sales	1,115	-
Christmas Carols Night	0	4,750
General Trading	1,451	-
Food Festival	13,890	12,446
	<b>16,456</b>	<b>17,277</b>
<b>4. Investments</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Interest Income	<b>671</b>	<b>58</b>

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**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

<b>5. Expenditure on Charitable Activities</b>	<b>Note</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Staff Costs	5a	77,794	74,332
Governance Costs		1,990	3,765
Youth Committee		2,824	2,896
Edessa School Expense		2,163	695
Jeruselum Trip		59,260	3,300
Excursion		7,992	
Patriarchal Visit		0	13,586
Charity Donations		6,482	0
Church Expenses		4,520	490
		<b>163,026</b>	<b>99,065</b>
<b>5a Staff Costs and numbers</b>		<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Salaries		74,800	70,000
Employer's NI Contribution		894	2,232
Employer's Pension Contribution		2,100	2,100
		<b>77,794</b>	<b>74,332</b>
Number of staff		3	3
<b>6. Support Costs</b>	<b>Note</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Clergy Travel & Accomodation		8,946	6,582
Transportation Expenses		0	486
Insurance		5,874	4,897
Webmail, IT and Alarm		3,851	5,504
TV Licence		159	159
Bishopric Expenses		11,173	4,310
Light and Heat		10,163	4,875
Water Rates		1,295	1,164
Telephone & Broadband		888	568
Printing, Postage and Stationery		692	3,998
Equipment Rental		718	957
Repairs & Maintenance		7,268	10,237
Ladies Committee Expenses		3,250	3,903
Bishop Resettlement Expenses		-	-
Immigration Expenses		0	373
Merchant Fees		2,265	619
Cleaning and Waste Disposal		1,104	763
Depreciation		43,787	28,601
Clergy Resettlement Costs		0	7,489
Patriarchal Travel		0	5,928
Occupation Health Costs		0	0
Sundry Expenses		3,559	1,188
Admin Charges		-	-
		<b>104,992</b>	<b>92,601</b>

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**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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<b>7. Ukraine Appeal</b>		<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Ukraine Appeal		0	42,352
		<b>0</b>	<b>42,352</b>

  

<b>8. Expenditure on Other Trading Activities</b>	<b>Note</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Food Festival		4,605	11,027
Events		3,247	1,388
		<b>7,852</b>	<b>12,416</b>

**9. Trustee Reimbursement Expenses**

A reimbursement was made to Bishop Mar Awraham Youkhanis of £575.64 in relation to church related travel for the year ending 31st December 2023.

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**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

<b>10. Fixed Assets - tangible assets</b>	<b>Freehold Property £</b>	<b>Refurb / Fixtures &amp; Fittings £</b>	<b>Motor Vehicle £</b>	<b>Equipment £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
<b>Cost / valuation</b>					
01 January 2023	721,608	203,028	10,481	5,825	940,943
Additions	0	15,547	0	0	15,547
31 December 2023	721,608	218,576	10,481	5,825	956,490
<b>Depreciation</b>					
01 January 2023	0	38,603	6,988	1,585	47,175
Charge for the year	0	38,783	3,494	1,510	43,787
31 December 2023	0	77,387	10,481	3,095	90,963
<b>Net book value</b>					
31 December 2023	<b>721,608</b>	<b>141,189</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,730</b>	<b>865,527</b>
<b>Net book value</b>					
31 December 2022	721,608	164,425	3,494	4,241	893,768

<b>11. Debtors</b>	<b>2023 £</b>	<b>2022 £</b>
Loan to Netherlands parish for purchase of church premises	26,436	-
	<b>26,436</b>	<b>-</b>

<b>12. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year</b>	<b>2023 £</b>	<b>2022 £</b>
Accruals for donations payable	2,455	1,883
PAYE & NI	962	802
	<b>3,417</b>	<b>2,686</b>

**13. Statement of Funds**

	<b>Balance at 1 January 2023 £</b>	<b>Income £</b>	<b>Expenditure £</b>	<b>Balance at 31 December 2023 £</b>
<b>Unrestricted funds - CURRENT PERIOD</b>				
General Funds	946,911	430,622	(275,870)	1,101,662
Total funds	<b>946,911</b>	<b>430,622</b>	<b>(275,870)</b>	<b>1,101,662</b>

	<b>Balance at 1 January 2022 £</b>	<b>Income £</b>	<b>Expenditure £</b>	<b>Balance at 31 December 2022 £</b>
<b>Unrestricted funds - PRIOR PERIOD</b>				
General Funds	921,777	271,567	(246,433)	946,911
Total funds	<b>921,777</b>	<b>271,567</b>	<b>(246,433)</b>	<b>946,911</b>