

THE FRIENDS OF THE HOPE MINISTRY FOR WIDOWS AND ORPHANS

England & Wales · Charity number 1186321

Details

Other names	THE HOPE MINISTRY
Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2019-11-13
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

Objects: "TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH THROUGHOUT ENGLAND AND WALES AND NIGERIA IN PARTICULAR FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT, MAINLY BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY TEACHING, TRAINING AND ENABLING WIDOWS AND ORPHANS IN NIGERIA TO REGAIN THEIR INDEPENDENCE AFTER BEING WIDOWED AND ORPHANED DUE TO HIV/AIDS AND BY PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO INTERNALLY DISPLACED PEOPLE, HOWEVER CAUSED, IN NIGERIA".

Activities: The Hope Ministry gives help to Nigerian women widowed by the HIV/AIDS crisis in Nigeria helps support their orphaned children. It provides; micro-financing to help setting up of small businesses, training in trades and crafts, financial support for training in schools and colleges. It helps internally displaced people who have lost their homes through insurgency or any other cause.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Other Finance
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin

Geography

- Nigeria

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£12,094	£12,000	-	-
2023-12-31	£10,186	£9,000	-	-
2022-12-31	£17,981	£13,000	-	-
2021-12-31	£14,738	£6,500	-	-
2020-12-31	£4,795	£5,000	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Dr Achsah Ladi Okoko	Chair	2019-10-26
BENJAMIN CHINEDU UDEJIOFO		2019-10-26
Dr Acha Okoko		2019-10-26
Dr Elizabeth Okoko		2019-10-26
Gordon Baker		2019-10-26
Jane Armitage Newton		2019-10-26
John Richard Newton ACMA		2019-10-26

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REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2024

The Hope Ministry continues to be thankful to God for his protection and provision throughout 2024. The challenges facing the ministry have increased during the year. We are always thankful to our faithful supporters for their prayers and donations, both financial and in terms of goods sent regularly to Nigeria. This support is vital as there is no social care system in Nigeria.

Hope Ministry works in the central belt of Nigeria, particularly Plateau State and Benue State. The security situation there continues to be extremely difficult due to attacks from the north of the country, often resulting in deaths. There are many internally displaced people now in this central region.

The main work of the Ministry is with widows and orphans. The micro financing scheme originally offered to widows, in order to start a business, has now become less attractive due to rising costs. Conferences for widows are held twice during the year. The ladies are encouraged and empowered to run these workshops. This allows them to contribute to the work having received help themselves. Food parcels are distributed to the elderly and those with no family. This work is vital as food prices continue to rise.

The work with orphans allows a number of children to be supported through school years. Those who are academically inclined go on to university. For those who prefer to go into work, training schemes are run in skills, such as, motor mechanics, computing, woodwork, needlework, etc. Other activities include making traditional seasonings from local beans, making paint, as there are no paint shops in Nigeria, and running recycling schemes for plastic materials.

Conferences for the orphans are held twice yearly. These are very helpful in giving hope for the future and offering information on where to obtain advice. In between these events seminars are held where learning needs can be discussed.



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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01/01/2024	To	31/12/2024
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	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	11,097	-	-	11,097	7,403
Gift Aid received	997	-	-	997	2,783
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	12,094	-	-	12,094	10,186
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	12,094	-	-	12,094	10,186
A3 Payments					
Remitted to Nigeria	12,000	-	-	12,000	9,000
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	12,000	-	-	12,000	9,000
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	12,000	-	-	12,000	9,000
Net of receipts/(payments)	94	-	-	94	1,186
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	21,486	-	-	21,486	20,300
Cash funds this year end	21,580	-	-	21,580	21,486

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Lloyds Bank Current Account	21,580	-	-
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			-	-
	Total cash funds	21,580	-	-

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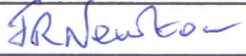
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		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details		-	-
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			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
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			-	-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
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			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	JOHN RICHARD NEWTON	24/9/25

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REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2023

The Hope Ministry is thankful to God for his protection and provision throughout 2023. The challenges facing the ministry have not diminished. We continue to thank our faithful supporters for their prayers and donations, both financial and in terms of the goods sent regularly to assist the work in Nigeria. This support is vital.

Hope Ministry works in the central area of Nigeria, particularly Plateau State and Benue State. The security situation there continues to be extremely difficult due to attacks from the north of the country, often resulting in deaths. There are many internally displaced people now in this central region.

The main work of the Ministry is with widows and orphans. Under a micro financing scheme widows can take out a small loan, in order to start a business. The loan is then repaid as profits arise and the money can then be loaned to other people requiring it. Conferences for widows are held twice during the year, October and December. The ladies are encouraged and empowered to run these workshops. This allows them to contribute to the work after having received help themselves. Food parcels are distributed to the elderly and those with no family. There is no social care system in Nigeria.

The work with orphans allows a number of children to be supported through school years. Those who are academically inclined go on to university. For those who prefer to go into work, training schemes are run in skills, such as, motor mechanics, computing, woodwork, needlework, etc. Other activities include making traditional seasonings from local beans, making paint, as there are no paint shops in Nigeria, and running recycling schemes for plastic materials.

Conferences for the orphans are held in June and December. These orphans' conferences are very helpful in giving hope for the future and offering information on where to obtain advice. In between these events seminars are held where learning needs can be discussed.



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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from 01/01/2023 To 31/12/2023

	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	7,403	-	-	7,403	15,191
Gift Aid received	2,783	-	-	2,783	2,790
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	10,186	-	-	10,186	17,981
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	10,186	-	-	10,186	17,981
A3 Payments					
Remitted to Nigeria	9,000	-	-	9,000	13,000
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	9,000	-	-	9,000	13,000
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	9,000	-	-	9,000	13,000
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,186	-	-	1,186	4,981
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	20,300	-	-	20,300	15,319
Cash funds this year end	21,486	-	-	21,486	20,300



Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Lloyds Bank Current Account	21,486	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
	Total cash funds	21,486	-	-

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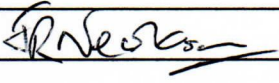
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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			-	-
			-	-

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

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

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	JOHN RICHARD NEWTON TRUSTEE	5/7/24

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REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2022

The Hope Ministry continues to be thankful to God for his protection and provision throughout 2022. It has been another challenging year and we thank our faithful supporters for their prayers and donations, both financial and in terms of goods sent regularly to assist the work in Nigeria. We could not have done without this support.

The security situation in the central area of Nigeria, where Hope Ministry works, has deteriorated again during the year. Attacks from the north of the country, often resulting in deaths, are increasingly common.

New volunteers have joined to help with the increasing need but there is a need for more volunteers. Testimonies received from widows helped by the charity have been very encouraging.

Two conferences for widows were held during the year, in October and December, and over seventy people attended. Widows have been encouraged and empowered to run workshops on two sites. These have allowed them to contribute to the work after having received help themselves. Food parcels have been distributed to the elderly and those with no family.

Conferences for orphans were held in June and December which were attended by fifty people. The orphans' conferences are very helpful in giving hope for the future and offering information on where to obtain advice. In between these events seminars are held where learning needs can be discussed.

Two workshops have been held for the widows and orphans. These have resulted in various income generating ideas. This is important in giving people a sense of purpose and in reducing reliance on funds from Hope Ministry.



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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from 01/01/2022 To 31/12/2022

	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	15,191	-	-	15,191	13,703
Gift Aid received	2,790	-	-	2,790	1,035
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	17,981	-	-	17,981	14,738
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	17,981	-	-	17,981	14,738
A3 Payments					
Remitted to Nigeria	13,000	-	-	13,000	6,500
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	13,000	-	-	13,000	6,500
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	13,000	-	-	13,000	6,500
Net of receipts/(payments)	4,981	-	-	4,981	8,238
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	15,319	-	-	15,319	7,081
Cash funds this year end	20,300	-	-	20,300	15,319



Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Lloyds Bank Current Account	20,300	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
	Total cash funds	20,300	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

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

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

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

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	JOHN RICHARD NEWTON	18/9/23

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REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2021

The Hope Ministry continues to be thankful to God for his protection and provision throughout 2021. It has been a challenging year and we thank our faithful supporters for their prayers and donations, both financial and in terms of goods sent regularly to assist the work in Nigeria. We could not have done without this support.

The Nigerian staff and volunteers did a substantial amount of travelling in the dry season (November to April) to conduct workshops bringing God's word and encouragement to the widows and orphans supported by the charity. There was an increasing number of people asking for financial support for school fees for their children and some requiring help to meet the basic needs of food and clothing.

The security situation in Nigeria has deteriorated during the year. The people the ministry works with are mainly farmers and they have not been able to go to their farms for fear of being kidnapped. Those in the towns are also affected and do not feel safe in their homes.

The activities of the ministry have been restructured to fall into four categories: workshops, administration, urgent relief for displaced persons and those in need, and school support. This will aid more efficient management and help target donations from supporters.

New volunteers have joined to help with the increasing need but there is a need for more volunteers. Testimonies received from widows helped by the charity have been very encouraging.



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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01/01/2021	To	31/12/2021
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	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	13,703	-	-	13,703	4,795
Gift Aid received	1,035	-	-	1,035	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	14,738	-	-	14,738	4,795
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	14,738	-	-	14,738	4,795
A3 Payments					
Remitted to Nigeria	6,500	-	-	6,500	5,000
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	6,500	-	-	6,500	5,000
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	6,500	-	-	6,500	5,000
Net of receipts/(payments)	8,238	-	-	8,238	- 205
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	7,081	-	-	7,081	7,286
Cash funds this year end	15,319	-	-	15,319	7,081



Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Lloyds Bank Current Account	15,319	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
	Total cash funds	15,319	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

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

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

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

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
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Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	JOHN RICHARD NEWTON	20/9/22

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In the last few months of 2019 and the first few of 2020 Hope Ministry was particularly thankful to God for his faithfulness, love and provision and its supporters for prayer support.

Lawlessness in Nigeria continued, making travel by public transport very risky. Kidnapping of innocent citizens for ransom increased and could happen in the home or to and fro from work. One of the orphans was on her way to school, but thanks to God, she was released after having her wallet and credit cards stolen and being pushed out of the vehicle.

The annual workshop for orphans took place in February. The theme was "Our God is able" This is also the time of year for workshops for the widows.

The Lord was faithful in seeing the Ministry through the first phase of the pandemic and this continued in the second phase. There was an increased demand for food parcels in the period February to August. This was to be expected but while challenging, was not overwhelming.

To make those supported by the charity more self-sufficient in time for Christmas, training in animal husbandry was given. Each widow, and orphan over 16 was given a loan and the opportunity to purchase and raise chickens, goats or pigs to earn money for themselves. Volunteers helped to assess the feasibility of individual projects. The goal was to sell off some of the chickens before Christmas and to use some with their family during Christmas.

The dry season is usually the time when the team travel to wherever there is a need for a workshop but recent unrest in Nigeria made travelling very risky. Widows and orphans have little disposable income and struggle to make ends meet. Local churches do their best to help and Hope Ministry will partner with such churches to offer support and advice without taking on full responsibility. We pray that we can work together to meet this need.



HOPE MINISTRY ACTIVITY REPORT FOR 2020

<i>Type of activity</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Number of women/children and groups that benefited</i>
<i>Workshops</i>	<i>Training workshops with 40-50 widows and orphans attending.</i>	<i>13 groups trained in skills acquisition to enable them to choose and establish a trade.</i>
<i>Feeding programme</i>	<i>Gave out food parcels in emergencies e.g. during lock downs.</i>	<i>300 Food parcels given out during the lock downs.</i>
<i>Scholarship schemes</i>	<i>Assessing and supporting children that need school fees to allow to continue with their education.</i>	<i>15 Primary school children benefitting, 10 secondary school children, 3 in the university 5 learning trade skills</i>
<i>Agricultural loans</i>	<i>Gave out loans after training the women in poultry farming and in keeping pigs.</i>	<i>100 women from 7 groups benefitted from the training.</i>



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For the period from 01/01/2020 To 31/12/2020



	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	4,795	-	-	4,795	13,814
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	4,795	-	-	4,795	13,814
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	4,795	-	-	4,795	13,814
A3 Payments					
Remitted to Nigeria	5,000	-	-	5,000	8,500
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	5,000	-	-	5,000	8,500
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	5,000	-	-	5,000	8,500
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 205	-	-	- 205	5,314
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	7,286	-	-	7,286	1,972
Cash funds this year end	7,081	-	-	7,081	7,286



Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Lloyds Bank Current Account	7,081	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
	Total cash funds	7,081	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

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

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

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	JOHN RICHARD NEWTON	18/1/22