



MALAWI ASSOCIATION FOR CHRISTIAN SUPPORT CIO
UNAUDITED
TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Trustees

Adrian Brown, Water and Solar Projects
Gillian Barber, Medical projects
Richard Davies, Fundraising and Website Coordinator
Colin Gardner, Treasurer
Eileen Eggington, Project Officer
Julie Lupton, Secretary and Supporters' Database
Margaret Campbell, Publicity and Safeguarding
Martin Herrick, Chairman & Medical Projects
Felicity Shoesmith
XX, Trustee with dispensation

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MALAWI ASSOCIATION FOR CHRISTIAN SUPPORT CIO

TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025.

Objectives and activities

a. Policies and objectives

The main objective of the charity is to promote any charitable purpose in Malawi, including the advancement of education, the relief of poverty, sickness and distress, the preservation and protection of health and the advancement of Christian religion particularly by supporting the pastoral work of churches and the support of charitable Christian institutions in that country.

In setting objectives and planning for activities, the Trustees have given due consideration to general guidance published by the Charity Commission relating to public benefit, including the guidance 'Public benefit: running a charity (PB2)'.

b. Activities undertaken to achieve objectives

Individuals and organisations are invited to donate to a General Fund which can be used for any charitable purpose in Malawi. If requested, donations can go to specific categories e.g. Education, Health, Community projects, Church support and Women's projects. MACS supports local groups and organisations but not individuals. The majority of requests for help come via the Anglican Dioceses in Malawi.

MACS builds and repairs classrooms and teachers' houses. The charity makes grants to hospitals and health centres for improvements to existing facilities and the building of staff houses. School children particularly girls are assisted in their education by funding school fees. MACS funds the repair and upgrading of clergy houses and the installation of roofs on well-built churches. Women's training groups can apply for funds. MACS assists in both water and solar projects, including the installation of boreholes, the improvement of water systems, and the supply of solar power and batteries to schools and health clinics.

c. Main activities undertaken to further the charity's purposes for the public benefit

The trustees have referred to the Charity Commission's guidance on reporting on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and planning activities. We work with the church and other Christian organisations in Malawi whose support is available to everyone in Malawi irrespective of their race, religion or nationality and the trustees have ensured that the activities undertaken will contribute to the aims and objectives of the charity. The trustees are therefore confident that the charity meets the public benefit requirements.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Achievements and performance

a. Governance

1. **Meetings:** Trustees consider applications from Malawi, approve new projects, allocate funds, monitor on-going projects, review policies, address issues of strategy and ensure that MACS is compliant with Charity Commission requirements. We meet 6 times each year with 3 meetings on Zoom and 3 meetings in person. By holding meetings virtually we have halved our annual meeting costs. However, it is still important to meet up every few months in person. In addition, the Annual Supporters' Day was held on Zoom in September 2024 to update our supporters on the progress and challenges of MACS and to consider ways to develop the charity.
2. **Trustees:** During the year ending March 31st 2025 there were no changes to the trustees. We currently have 10 trustees with two vacancies. As trustees have specified terms of office (renewable), we are aware of the need for succession planning and are on the lookout for potential new trustees with the relevant skills.
3. **Communications with supporters:** Margaret Campbell once again produced two excellent and informative newsletters which went out in August 2024 and February 2025. These newsletters, always appreciated by our supporters, generally result in some additional donations. The Website continues to be run by Richard Davies and updated on a regular basis. A decision has been taken to create a new website which will be more user friendly. We have not made use of Twitter or Facebook as most trustees are not familiar with these.
4. **Annual Appeal:** once again, trustees did not adopt an annual appeal. This was because we are happy to have income for General Funds to be allocated according to demand and need.
5. **Annual Gift List:** instead of producing a Gift List which, in the past, has been difficult to administer, we produced an appeal for funds for specific areas such as books, mattresses, bicycles and school fees. This did not prove particularly popular. We do not consider ourselves to be a large enough charity to administer a Gift List such as larger charities offer.
6. **GDPR compliance:** We continually update our list of all supporters and those who receive publications either by email or post. The MACS privacy policy is available on our website and is reviewed annually.
7. **Safeguarding:** Margaret Campbell remains our Safeguarding Trustee. Our Safeguarding policies and procedures are updated and adopted annually, in line with Charity Commission regulations. All trustees visiting Malawi are now required to have a Disclosure and Barring certificate as well as safeguarding references. Jointly with the wider Anglican Communion we have continued to encourage the church in Malawi to introduce robust Safeguarding practices. We have now seen evidence of this in each Diocese. Schools in Malawi have now shared copies of their safeguarding policies with MACS. When trustees visit Malawi, they actively check for evidence of Safeguarding policies and procedures being in place.
8. **Remuneration of trustees' expenses:** Trustees may claim travel expenses to MACS meetings on an annual basis. Visits to Malawi are in line with current agreed policy. During the year the project officer was accompanied on her annual trip by Felicity Shoesmith and Gillian Barber. Details of all claims appear in the Annual financial report.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
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Achievements and performance (continued)

b. Projects

1. Applications: During the past year a total of £92,378 was granted to new projects. With funds available for the building of classroom blocks, we have been able to continue with a significant building programme in both the Diocese of Upper Shire and the Diocese of Lake Malawi. We have, however, not received many applications for new projects from Malawi during the year. This may have been partly due to changes in leadership in the Dioceses.

2. Monitoring:

(a) **MACS Representative in Malawi:** Grafiud Tione, our very experienced in-country representative, has continued to work throughout the year facilitating the smooth running of projects, checking and disbursing funds, checking on progress, giving advice locally and advising trustees. Grafiud helps the recipients of MACS grants such as individual schools and community groups to open accounts and to manage funds awarded by MACS for particular projects. Trustees remain confident that every attempt is made to ensure funds are spent appropriately. Grafiud's expenses are reviewed and adjusted annually in March.

(b) **Expert advice:** MACS has continued, where necessary, to use local Malawian professionals working alongside Grafiud to assess potential projects, drawing up costed plans, tender documents and in monitoring work. Such partnerships are very helpful and the additional professional backing assures trustees in the UK and our overseas partners of the quality and sustainability of the work carried out in Malawi.

(c) **2024 Project Officer's annual trip:** this trip took place in May 2024. Accompanied by Felicity Shoesmith and Gillian Barber, the Project Officer was able to visit many project sites as well as meet new Malawians in various posts in both Dioceses. This trip has enabled trustees to have a better understanding of what is going on in Malawi. It has also established some personal contacts which have helped with getting timely information from parties, such as reports from schools for bursary students.

3. Health

MACS is happy to consider a wide range of requests including new buildings, renovations, help with electricity and water, purchasing new medical equipment, training and financial management.

Solar powered panels and batteries to provide back up power for Health Centres and clinics have been well-received.

Equipment for theatres and maternity units have been requested and supplied.

MACS supported the drilling and repair of boreholes through Seedsowers International, a charity that specializes in this sort of work. Reports on completed projects were received.

We have approved the building of new septic tanks to reduce pollution in the lake.

4 Education

MACS supports the education of young people in Malawi through the paying of fees in Bursary Schemes as well as supporting in practical ways with building classrooms and providing educational materials etc.

Fees have been paid for 34 students in boarding schools and 50 students in Community Day Secondary Schools, the majority of whom are girls. The generous donation last year of £25,000 has enabled us to extend the support we are able to give to learners for a full 4 years of secondary education.

5 Parish and Diocesan Support:

We have been able to supply potable water to remote communities, improving the health of parishioners as well as making life easier for everyone. This has been done with the provision of new boreholes.

**TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
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Achievements and performance (continued)

6. Community and Training

Chilema Ecumenical Training Centre continues to train students from rural areas. MACS supported the training of 10 students on homecraft and nutrition courses run from January 2025. There was no course from July to December 2024 because of the revision of the curriculum. The library, renovated in the last financial year, has been supported by UK churches who have raised money to increase the supply of books. The centre has now been formally registered as a provider of training and the courses are under regular review.

Financial review

a. Fundraising

We are especially grateful to all our supporters who have continued to donate and support the work of MACS throughout the past year.

Our twice yearly newsletters result in some significant donations. Standing orders keep up a regular source of funding. We received one significant legacies have been forthcoming in the last financial year.

b. Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence 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.

c. Reserve policy

The trustees have agreed that unrestricted reserves should be maintained at a level equivalent to 3 months expenditure excluding grants. This would indicate that the minimum reserves at 31st March 2025 should be £6,533. The actual unrestricted reserves amounted to £33,169.

d. Financial summary

The income for the year was £109,523 as compared to the previous year of £258,593. The expenditure for the year was £118,509 compared to £207,548. As a consequence, the deficit was £8,986, compared to a surplus of £51,045 in the previous year.

The trustees allocate grants on the basis of the receipt of suitable applications and meet regularly throughout the year to review applications and made grants accordingly.

Grants of £92,378 (2024: £199,240) were approved during the year. At the end of the year £71,680 (2024: £82,980) had not been distributed. The trustees anticipate that these funds will be disbursed by the end of the current year.

e. Principal funding

We are extremely grateful to all our supporters who raise funds and show interest and support throughout the year. Colin Gardner has continued to monitor the use of funds donated through the Gift List.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Structure, governance and management

a. Constitution

Malawi Association for Christian Support has been a registered charity since 2nd September 1993 (number 1025616). However, the trustees considered that this model was not suitable to today's methods of operating and decided that the conversion of the charity to Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) was the appropriate way to proceed. MACS CIO (number 1188309) has operated since the 1st of January 2021.

The charity continues to be in receipt of donations by way of standing orders and the trustees are continuing to persuade donors to transfer their donations to the bank account in the name of the CIO. Once this has been achieved the charity will be closed.

b. Methods of appointment or election of Trustees

The management of the charity is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the CIO Foundation.

c. Organisational structure and decision-making policies

Trustees claim travel expenses to MACS meetings on an annual basis. Visits to Malawi are in line with current agreed policy and details of all claims are in the Annual financial report.

**TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
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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 & 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;
- 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 CIO Foundation. 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 and signed on their behalf by:

Julie Lupton

Trustee

Date: 21 July 2025

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Malawi Association for Christian Support CIO
(‘the charity’)**

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the Trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

Independent Examiner's Statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared the accounts 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) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 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.

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.

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. 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 an Independent Examiner's 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 or for this report.

Signed:

Dated: 14 August 2025

Stuart Harrison FCA

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	3	77,313	28,311	105,624	254,699
Investments	4	3,899	-	3,899	3,894
Total income		81,212	28,311	109,523	258,593
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	5	45,723	72,786	118,509	207,548
Total expenditure		45,723	72,786	118,509	207,548
Net income/(expenditure)		35,489	(44,475)	(8,986)	51,045
Transfers between funds	14	(12,171)	12,171	-	-
Net movement in funds		23,318	(32,304)	(8,986)	51,045
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		44,674	84,725	129,399	78,354
Net movement in funds		23,318	(32,304)	(8,986)	51,045
Total funds carried forward		67,992	52,421	120,413	129,399

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BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	11	28,767	32,012
		<u>28,767</u>	<u>32,012</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	12	4,845	9,216
Cash at bank and in hand		177,802	188,231
		<u>182,647</u>	<u>197,447</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	13	(91,002)	(100,060)
Net current assets		<u>91,645</u>	<u>97,387</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>120,412</u>	<u>129,399</u>
Total net assets		<u>120,412</u>	<u>129,399</u>
Charity funds			
Restricted funds	14	52,421	84,725
Unrestricted funds	14	67,991	44,674
Total funds		<u>120,412</u>	<u>129,399</u>

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Martin Herrick
Chairman
Date: 21 July 2025

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1. General information

Malawi Association for Christian Support CIO is an unincorporated charity registered in England and Wales. Its principal office address is The Cottage, 72 North Street, Biddenden, Kent TN27 8AS.

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - 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) (effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The 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 Charities SORP (FRS 102) published in October 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

Malawi Association for Christian Support CIO meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.2 Income

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

The recognition of income from legacies is dependent on establishing entitlement, the probability of receipt and the ability to estimate with sufficient accuracy the amount receivable. Evidence of entitlement to a legacy exists when the charity has sufficient evidence that a gift has been left to them (through knowledge of the existence of a valid will and the death of the benefactor) and the executor is satisfied that the property in question will not be required to satisfy claims in the estate. Receipt of a legacy must be recognised when it is probable that it will be received and the fair value of the amount receivable, which will generally be the expected cash amount to be distributed to the charity, can be reliably measured.

Grants are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on a receivable basis. The balance of income received for specific purposes but not expended during the period is shown in the relevant funds on the Balance Sheet. Where income is received in advance of entitlement of receipt, its recognition is deferred and included in creditors as deferred income. Where entitlement occurs before income is received, the income is accrued.

Where the donated good is a fixed asset, it is measured at fair value, unless it is impractical to measure this reliably, in which case the cost of the item to the donor should be used. The gain is recognised as income from donations and a corresponding amount is included in the appropriate fixed asset class and depreciated over the useful economic life in accordance with the charity's accounting policies.

On receipt, donated professional services and facilities are recognised on the basis of the value of the gift to the charity which is the amount it would have been willing to pay to obtain services or facilities of equivalent economic benefit on the open market; a corresponding amount is then recognised in expenditure in the period of receipt.

Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Income tax recoverable in relation to investment income is recognised at the time the investment income is receivable.

2.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the charity's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.3 Expenditure (continued)

Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is made except in those cases where the offer is conditional, such grants being recognised as expenditure when the conditions attaching are fulfilled. Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end are noted as a commitment, but not accrued as expenditure.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

2.4 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the institution with whom the funds are deposited.

2.5 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets costing £500 or more are capitalised and recognised when future economic benefits are probable and the cost or value of the asset can be measured reliably.

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring a tangible fixed asset into its intended working condition should be included in the measurement of cost.

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method.

Depreciation is provided on the following basis:

Motor vehicles	-	20% straight line to 50% of the original cost
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2.6 Debtors

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

2.7 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.8 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance Sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities as a finance cost.

2.9 Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2.10 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the Trustees for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**3. Income from donations and legacies**

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £
Donations	77,313	28,311	105,624

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2024 £</i>	<i>Restricted funds 2024 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2024 £</i>
Donations	44,118	210,581	254,699

4. Investment income

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £
Investment income - local cash	3,781	3,781
Investment income - foreign cash	118	118
Total 2025	3,899	3,899

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2024 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2024 £</i>
Investment income - local cash	3,798	3,798
Investment income - foreign cash	96	96
<i>Total 2024</i>	<i>3,894</i>	<i>3,894</i>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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5. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Summary by fund type

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £
Grant making activities	45,723	72,786	118,509

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2024 £</i>	<i>Restricted funds 2024 £</i>	<i>Total 2024 £</i>
Grant making activities	15,227	192,321	207,548

6. Analysis of expenditure by activities

	Activities undertaken directly 2025 £	Grant funding of activities 2025 £	Support costs 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £
Grant making activities	25,345	92,378	786	118,509

	<i>Activities undertaken directly 2024 £</i>	<i>Grant funding of activities 2024 £</i>	<i>Support costs 2024 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2024 £</i>
Grant making activities	7,600	199,240	708	207,548

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6. Analysis of expenditure by activities (continued)

Analysis of direct costs

	Grant making activities 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £
Depreciation	3,245	3,245
Malawian representative retainer	7,560	7,560
Malawian representative travelling	7,810	7,810
Malawian representative telephone	1,027	1,027
Project officer trip and trustees travel grants	4,121	4,121
Room hire	331	331
Bank charges	402	402
Paypal charges	15	15
Printing and stationery	690	690
Sundry expenses	144	144
Total 2025	25,345	25,345
	Grant making activities 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £
Depreciation	1,080	1,080
Malawian representative retainer	7,828	7,828
Malawian representative travelling	3,554	3,554
Malawian representative telephone	633	633
Project officer trip and trustees travel grants	3,760	3,760
Room hire	411	411
Bank charges	525	525
Paypal charges	41	41
Printing and stationery	974	974
Sundry expenses	22	22
Profit / loss on fixed asset disposal	(11,228)	(11,228)
Total 2024	7,600	7,600

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6. Analysis of expenditure by activities (continued)

Analysis of support costs

	Grant making activities 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £
Governance costs	786	786

	<i>Grant making activities 2024 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2024 £</i>
Governance costs	708	708

7. Analysis of grants

	Grants to Institutions 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £
Grant making activities	92,378	92,378

	<i>Grants to Institutions 2024 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2024 £</i>
Grants making activities	199,240	199,240

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7. Analysis of grants (continued)

The charity has made the following material grants to institutions during the year:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Name of institution		
Medical Health	13,827	40,309
Education	36,784	108,000
Bursaries	13,390	14,246
Donald Arden Bursary Fund	3,339	5,873
St Lukes Hospital	4,886	6,819
Cyclone	-	14,746
St Michael's School	-	700
Chilema Equipment	560	1,628
St Martin's hospital Paediatric Unit roof repairs	10,000	-
Nkope pump repairs	4,000	-
Other grants to institutions	5,592	6,919
	92,378	199,240
	92,378	199,240

8. Analysis of expenditure by percentage

	2025	2025	2024	2024
	£	%	£	%
Grants	92,378	77.95	199,240	96.00
Malawi projects supervision costs	23,927	20.19	5,997	2.89
UK expenses	2,204	1.86	2,311	1.11
	118,509	100.00	207,548	100.00

9. Independent examiner's remuneration

The independent examiner's remuneration amounts to an independent examiner fee of £786 (2024 - £708).

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10. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits (2024 - £NIL).

During the year ended 31 March 2025, expenses totalling £4,121 were reimbursed or paid directly to Trustees (2024 - £3,760).

11. Tangible fixed assets

	Motor vehicles £
Cost or valuation	
At 1 April 2024	33,092
At 31 March 2025	33,092
Depreciation	
At 1 April 2024	1,080
Charge for the year	3,245
At 31 March 2025	4,325
Net book value	
At 31 March 2025	28,767
At 31 March 2024	32,012

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12. Debtors

	2025	2024
	£	£
Due within one year		
Prepayments and accrued income	2,649	2,761
Tax recoverable	2,196	6,455
	<u>4,845</u>	<u>9,216</u>

13. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	19,322	17,080
Grants accrued - institutional	71,680	82,980
	<u>91,002</u>	<u>100,060</u>

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14. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 April 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Balance at 31 March 2025 £
Unrestricted funds					
Designated funds					
Motor Vehicle	34,822	-	-	-	34,822
General funds					
General Funds	9,852	81,211	(45,723)	(12,171)	33,169
Total Unrestricted funds	44,674	81,211	(45,723)	(12,171)	67,991
Restricted funds					
Medical Health	4,076	10,000	(13,827)	(7)	242
St Luke's Hospital	7,924	1,250	(4,886)	(15)	4,273
Sponsor-a-bed	1,023	463	-	23	1,509
Chilema ETCC	-	1,307	(560)	95	842
Bursaries and school fees	32,190	5,673	(13,390)	1,945	26,418
Donald Arden Bursary Fund	4,624	3,750	(3,227)	2,763	7,910
Donald Arden Memorial Fund	3,025	-	(112)	(2,913)	-
Gifts list	-	320	-	(320)	-
Education Buildings	31,081	2,943	(36,784)	10,657	7,897
Other restricted fund projects	782	2,605	-	(57)	3,330
	84,725	28,311	(72,786)	12,171	52,421
Total of funds	129,399	109,522	(118,509)	-	120,412

Transfers between funds are in respect of the reallocation of gift aid receipts and correction of trivial misallocations.

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14. Statement of funds (continued)

Statement of funds - prior year

	<i>Balance at 1 April 2023 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Transfers in/out £</i>	<i>Balance at 31 March 2024 £</i>
Unrestricted funds					
Designated funds					
Motor Vehicle	22,173	-	11,228	1,421	34,822
General funds					
General Funds	4,346	48,012	(26,455)	(16,051)	9,852
Total Unrestricted funds	26,519	48,012	(15,227)	(14,630)	44,674
Restricted funds					
Medical Health	7,417	34,663	(40,309)	2,305	4,076
St Luke's Hospital	5,468	9,275	(6,819)	-	7,924
Sponsor-a-bed	573	450	-	-	1,023
Chilema ETCC	-	1,615	(1,628)	13	-
Bursaries and school fees	16,297	30,139	(14,246)	-	32,190
Donald Arden Bursary Fund	5,344	3,750	(4,470)	-	4,624
Donald Arden Memorial Fund	3,408	1,020	(1,403)	-	3,025
Education Buildings	2,136	122,072	(108,000)	14,873	31,081
Classroom costs	9,553	5,193	(14,746)	-	-
Other restricted fund projects	1,639	2,404	(700)	(2,561)	782
	51,835	210,581	(192,321)	14,630	84,725
Total of funds	78,354	258,593	(207,548)	-	129,399

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15. Summary of funds

Summary of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 April 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Balance at 31 March 2025 £
Designated funds	34,822	-	-	-	34,822
General funds	9,852	81,211	(45,723)	(12,171)	33,169
Restricted funds	84,725	28,311	(72,786)	12,171	52,421
	<u>129,399</u>	<u>109,522</u>	<u>(118,509)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>120,412</u>

Summary of funds - prior year

	Balance at 1 April 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Balance at 31 March 2024 £
Designated funds	22,173	-	11,228	1,421	34,822
General funds	4,346	48,012	(26,455)	(16,051)	9,852
Restricted funds	51,835	210,581	(192,321)	14,630	84,725
	<u>78,354</u>	<u>258,593</u>	<u>(207,548)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>129,399</u>

16. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current year

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £
Tangible fixed assets	28,767	-	28,767
Current assets	130,227	52,421	182,648
Creditors due within one year	(91,002)	-	(91,002)
Total	<u>67,992</u>	<u>52,421</u>	<u>120,413</u>

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16. Analysis of net assets between funds (continued)

Analysis of net assets between funds - prior year

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2024 £</i>	<i>Restricted funds 2024 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2024 £</i>
Tangible fixed assets	32,012	-	32,012
Current assets	112,722	84,725	197,447
Creditors due within one year	(100,060)	-	(100,060)
Total	44,674	84,725	129,399

17. Related party transactions

During the year, the trustees gave a total of £13,170 (2024: £2,050) in donations to the charity.