

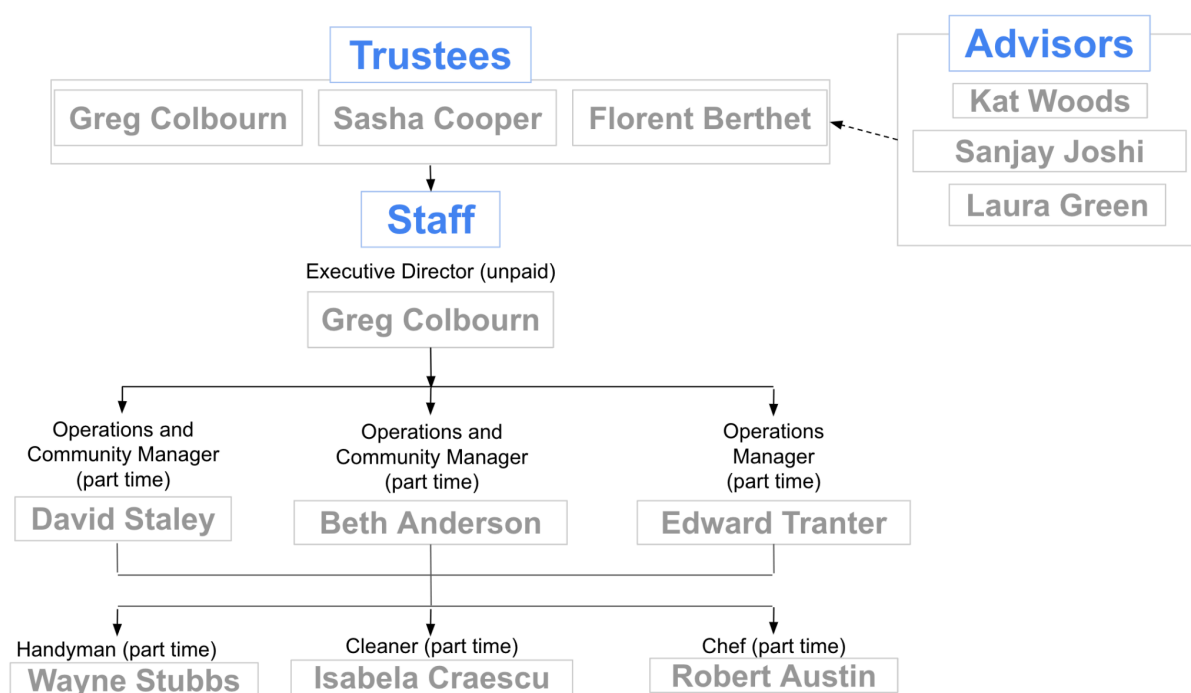


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Annual Report 2022/23

We are a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), controlled by three trustees - Gregory Hamish Colbourn (hereafter, Greg Colbourn), Florent Berthet and Peter Alexander Cooper. Day-to-day management of the organisation is directed by our Executive Director (Greg Colbourn), and managed by our Operations and Community Managers. Our organisation structure is shown (as of October 2023) in the figure below:



The trusteeship remained the same since the founding of the organisation throughout the year being reported on (to 31 October 2023). However, in November 2023, Sasha Cooper and Florent Berthet stepped down, and we welcomed onboard two new trustees: Dušan Nešić and Kyle Smith. We remain open to recruiting new trustees (in addition to the current three, or replacing any one of us if one of us were to leave), and have in the past reached out to various supporters of the project in this regard.

We make grants to individuals and charities in the form of providing free or subsidised serviced accommodation and board, and a moderate stipend for other living expenses. The Trustees apply the charity's funds in accordance with the charitable purposes and objectives of the charity. Namely:

- To advance education, learning and research in all fields of academic study through the provision of free or subsidised living accommodation to those undertaking such learning and research.
- To promote the efficiency and effectiveness of charities and the efficient use of charitable resources for the public benefit by promoting the study of efficient use of charitable resources.
- To advance such other purposes which are exclusively charitable according to the law in England and Wales as the trustees may from time to time determine.

Our funding comes from individual donors (primarily those associated with the global Effective Altruism community) and grants from philanthropic foundations. This year, we got our second grant from Survival and Flourishing Fund.

Our activities this year (the year this report covers, 1 Nov 2022 - 31 Oct 2023) have primarily been those related to our core objectives of providing education and research opportunities to our grantees, by hosting them at our buildings in Blackpool. In the year to come (1 Nov 2023 - 31 Oct 2024), we have primarily been doing the same. Following last year's report, the renovation of the adjoining property was completed in spring 2023. As of August 2024, the property (34 York Street, Blackpool) has been donated by Greg Colbourn to CEEALAR.

Our achievements are summarised on our Outputs page:

ceealar.org/learn-more/our-outputs. Of note, we've hosted retreats for organisations whose missions align with ours, including for ALLFED (Alliance to Feed the Earth in Disasters), and once again had grantees accepted into the Stanford Existential Risks Initiative Machine Learning Alignment Theory Scholars (SERI MATS) program, after spending time learning relevant material around AI existential risk during our hosting of them.

In the coming year (FY 2023/24, to 31 October 2024), we have the following objectives:

- Maintain income from donations and grants to a level where we have at least 6 months' reserves, aiming toward 12 months reserves if possible. Last year we did not achieve this, dropping below 6 months' reserves before a significant grant came in in April 2024.
- Increase our average occupancy rate by grantees (lowered by increased capacity with second building) to a level where we are maximising the efficiency of our resources (building and staff). This would be preferably 80% (to leave contingency for accepting promising grantees when they apply).
- Maintain the percentage of grantees going on to develop their career in a manner that is focused on maximising public benefit (this could be further study, internships, work at charitable organisations within the Effective Altruism community and beyond). This has been a motivation of ours from our founding. We are however, cognizant of the fact that many of our grantees are at an early stage of their career, or making a career transition, and are therefore experimenting to some degree, so it cannot be expected that all will succeed. Because of this we feel that an ongoing rate of 50% for this objective is appropriate and achievable.

Financially, we are currently (as of August 2024) in great shape, having our operating expenses covered to the end of 2025, having received two significant grants earlier this year. As of the end of this year (October 2023), we had 4 months' operating expenses in reserves.

We aimed to obtain and keep at least 6 months of operating reserves throughout the next year (until October 2024), and preferably increase this to a minimum of 12 months' operating expenses, but this was conditional on receiving further grants from previous supporters, and the nature of our income being blocked into significant grants means that it is difficult to maintain reserves at a stable level. Reserves are held in cash. Now (as of August 2024) that we have greater than 12 months operating reserves, we intend to develop a (low risk) investment strategy, with the aim of preserving the value of our reserves relative to inflation. We have no debts. We do not hold any funds as a custodian trustee.

Following last year's report, we have a new bank account that allows dual-authorisation of payments and we are in the process of onboarding Trustees into the process.

The Trustees have approved the accounts accompanying this report.

In carrying out its activities in the year under review, the Trustees confirm that they have complied with their duties under Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011, to have regard for the public benefit guidance issued by the Charity Commission for England and Wales. Specifically, the Trustees confirm that they have strived to ensure that the two conditions of achieving public benefit are met: 1) that there are identifiable benefits to our work, and 2) that the benefits are to the public or a section of the public. Please refer to our objectives, listed above, which explain the nature of our work in relation to meeting the public benefit requirement.

Approved by the members of the board of Trustees on 29th August 2024, and signed on their behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gregory Hamish Colbourn', with a stylized, flowing script.

Dr Gregory Hamish Colbourn
29/8/2024

Profit and Loss

Centre for Enabling EA Learning & Research For the year ended 31 October 2023

2023

Turnover

Donations Received	184,507.02
Total Turnover	184,507.02

Cost of Sales

Direct Expenses	39,895.98
Direct Wages	83,468.88
Total Cost of Sales	123,364.86

Gross Profit

61,142.16

Administrative Costs

Advertising & Marketing	65.63
Audit & Accountancy fees	2,850.00
Bank Fees	615.75
Bank Revaluations	(2,179.44)
Charitable and Political Donations	(23.00)
Cleaning & Waste	1,670.18
Equip Expensed	1,064.45
Furniture	187.57
FX Gain / Loss	2,196.31
General Expenses	7,696.59
Insurance	1,811.42
IT Software and Consumables	575.05
Legal Expenses	(1,027.01)
Light, Power, Heating	21,827.95
Pensions Costs	2,453.56
Postage, Freight & Courier	6.99
Printing & Stationery	1.75
Repairs & Maintenance	22,055.61
Staff Training	941.96
Stipends	2,993.60
Telephone & Internet	4,335.00
Travel - International	968.81
Travel - National	1,708.51
Total Administrative Costs	72,797.24

Operating Profit

(11,655.08)

Profit on Ordinary Activities Before Taxation

(11,655.08)

Profit after Taxation

(11,655.08)

Balance Sheet

Centre for Enabling EA Learning & Research As at 31 October 2023

31 OCT 2023

Fixed Assets

Tangible Assets

Buildings	135,000.00
Total Tangible Assets	135,000.00

Total Fixed Assets	135,000.00
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Current Assets

Cash at bank and in hand

Analyzed Non-Profit Checking	23,503.18	🔵
CENTRE FOR ENABLING EA LEARNIN	18,032.92	
Centre For Enabling Ea Learning & Research	500.00	
GBP PayPal	6,558.61	
WISE GBP	19,211.41	
WISE USD	1,015.35	🔵
Total Cash at bank and in hand	68,821.47	

Crypto Balance	8,413.21
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Total Current Assets	77,234.68
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Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

Directors' Loan Account	89,649.43
Total Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	89,649.43

Net Current Assets (Liabilities)	(12,414.75)
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Total Assets less Current Liabilities	122,585.25
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Net Assets	122,585.25
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Capital and Reserves

Capital - x,xxx Ordinary Shares	1.00
Current Year Earnings	(11,655.08)
Retained Earnings	(760.67)
Revaluation Reserve	135,000.00
Total Capital and Reserves	122,585.25

🔵 Exchange rates used to convert foreign currency into GBP are shown below. Rates are provided by XE.com unless otherwise stated.

• 31 Oct 2023

🇺🇸 1.21520 USD (United States Dollar)



SECTION A

Independent Examiners Report

Report to the trustees / members of	CENTRE FOR ENABLING EA LEARNING & RESEARCH		
On accounts for the year ended	31/10/2023	Charity No	1189768

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/10/2023

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").

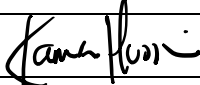
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

The charity's gross income exceeded £50,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of CIMA

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination. Please consider recommendations listed under SECTION B.

I have no material 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:	
NAME:	Kamran Hussain
DATE:	28/08/2024
PROFESSIONAL BODY:	CIMA
MEMBERSHIP NUMBER:	1-7AS9HR
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SECTION B

Disclosure

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

Recommendations for improvement this year:

Recommendations for improvement Carried forward: